



Oregon State Grange BULLETIN



Juniors present checks totaling \$1366 to the Oregon Zoo Foundation during their field trip at the June State Convention.

Gift Will Support Zoo's Educational Efforts Surrounding Oregon's Agricultural Heritage

Before visiting the Oregon Zoo's Trillium Creek Family Farm on Thursday, 15 Oregon State Junior Grangers, ages 5 to 14, presented a donation of \$1,366 to the Oregon Zoo Foundation to support the zoo's activities and educational efforts.

The kids secured contributions from both inside and outside the Grange community to help the zoo's Family Farm raise awareness about agriculture. Zoo deputy director Chris Pfefferkorn and several ZooTeens were on hand to accept the check, along with other staff and volunteers.

"We're very grateful to the Junior Grange," said Amanda Greenvoss, the zoo's youth volunteer coordinator. "The Family Farm is a great way for visitors to learn about Oregon's agricultural heritage, and this donation will help support that. The timing is pretty neat too. The Junior Grange is celebrating its 125th anniversary this year

and so is the Oregon Zoo." State Grange President Susan Noah said the Junior Grangers made the trip to the zoo as their fieldtrip during the 140th Annual Oregon State Grange Convention being held in Canby June 17-21.

"The work of kids like these Juniors makes me proud to be a Grange member and excited about our future," Noah said. "They will be tomorrow's leaders and today they are showing that they understand the value of being part of their community and giving back."



Fifteen Junior Grangers from throughout the state and their adult leader visited the Oregon Zoo in Portland during the annual Oregon State Grange Convention.

*Oregon State Grange
Invites you
to a
Holiday Open House*

*Sunday December 15th,
2013
1-4pm*

*Refreshments will be
served*

*643 Union St. NE
Salem, Oregon*




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The Master's Column

Susan Noah

Master ~ Oregon State Grange

One thing about working in Salem and living in Springfield you get a chance to see the Willamette Valley in all its greatness. Many times last spring I looked around in wonder as the valley turned vibrant shades of green, and now of course the leaves are turning again into their autumn splendor, soon to be lost to the cold of winter. But then by next spring it will repeat all over again as though the world was new. Our Granges can be just like that, oftentimes we will do the same old things, but with new members and suddenly its like spring has arrived and everything looks beautiful and green. So when a new member wants to do something that your Grange has tried in the past, don't give into the desire to say "we tried that once, and it didn't work", instead give your members the chance to see what grows.

This is also the time of year when many Granges are thinking of open houses, or harvest dinners. Even though many of our members are no longer taking part in "the harvest" it is still a time of year when we seem to want to get together and partake of the "bounties our labors have secured for us". By inviting the community into our halls and our circle of friends we pass along the fellowship that is so much a part of our organization. Make good use



The Program Directors met in Bend for a two day work session on future plans and programs for the Oregon State Grange. Pictured in back row are: Steve Kroeker, Communications; Mark Schnetzky, Veterans; Lyle Utt, Education; John Knox, Agriculture; Pat Heard, Community Service-Involvement; Bob Ludi, Membership & Scott Jacobson, Legislative. In the front row are Iva May Van Noy, Deaf Awareness & Family Health; Carol Everman, Energy; Sarah Kingsborough, Communications; Liz Dehne, Juniors; Susan Noah, State Master; Mary Parrott, GWA & Sandi Ludi, Membership. In front Kitty Thomas, Youth.

of these open houses to promote your Grange, let your neighbors see what a positive impact you make on the community and help them to realize what Grange membership can do to improve their lives. It is up to each of us to be an advocate for our Grange.

As we elect new officers, I encourage each Grange Master to have a planning meeting for the coming year. Give your members a chance to set the direction your Grange will take, encourage them to work to their full potential and guide them as to their duties. Sitting down now and charting your course for the year will serve you well in the months to come.

Even on a State level we are working in this same way. Earlier this month our Program Directors and I had a two day work session to develop some new programs to benefit our Granges and our membership. I believe our members will be seeing the results of that workshop with increased communication, and some new programs being offered this next year.

We also spent some time discussing our current State Grange schedule and what possible changes could be made to keep our programs, conferences and other schedule items intact and still

possibly cut down on the time taken up during the week. One idea that seemed to survive the discussion was to put all of the degrees on the Saturday and Sunday prior to a Monday start, along with some of the other events from the week like the Talent Contest and Public Speaking. Still have a Monday start, but by making changes you would have Monday through Thursday as pretty complete days to work resolutions. This would allow us to only rent a facility on one weekend as opposed to two weekends; would allow members who are coming for the degrees to do so on a weekend and would keep more of the resolution work together. This is not a change for this year, as the facility has already been reserved, but maybe for 2015. This would give time for all of our members to think about it, to discuss the pitfalls, and to come together with a plan we can all live with.

The Executive Committee has also been busy with our housekeeping. Several years ago we were made aware of the need to put notice in the deed records of the State Grange's rights and interests in Grange properties as stated in our By-Laws. This would make non-Grangers aware of the Grange structure and interests of the Oregon State Grange so that when a property is sold or partially transferred they know about our organizational structure and we can prevent even well intentioned mistakes from happening. This will support the Grange at all levels and make property transfers proceed more smoothly and help protect all our assets. As I said in my annual address, this is no longer a world of "handshakes", we now have to have everything documented according to Grange Law and Oregon Law.

On a personal note, Mark and I are busy getting ready to attend the National Grange Convention in Manchester, New Hampshire and are looking forward to once again representing the Oregon State Grange. We have such a great State and great members that it is truly a pleasure to announce to our fellow delegates that we represent Oregon, the Pacific Wonderland!

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Oregon Junior Granges



Elizabeth Dehne

Junior Director ~ Oregon State Grange

2013 Junior Director Report

The 74th Annual Session of the Oregon State Junior Grange was held at Canby Grove Christian Center on June 16th thru June 21st. This year's session was a very eventful and rewarding time with our Juniors. Thank you to all the wonderful people that helped this year with the Junior Grange State Session: especially Kris VanHouten, Tina Reynolds, Elveree Fine, Iva May Van Noy, Jim Westrook, and Hannele Gauthier.

For two and a half days the Juniors were busy practicing the degree work and having fun with crafts and the talent contest. On Wednesday morning they did the degree work complete with introducing guests: Brother Ed Luttrell, Master National Grange; Sister Celia Luttrell, First Lady of the National Grange and Overseer of the State Grange; Sister Susan Noah, Master Oregon State Grange; Mark Noah, Past Master Oregon State Grange and Sister Grace Boatright, National Grange Legislative Director where presented.

The next highlight for the Juniors was our trip to the Portland Zoo. The Juniors presented the Oregon Zoo Foundation \$1,366. We spent almost the whole day at the Zoo. We had lunch at one of their outdoor picnic areas. At the end of the tour the Juniors



Rope making was the activity of the day at the July meeting of the Benton County Pomona Junior Grange which meets at Fairmount Grange in North Albany.

spent their hard earned money at the gift shop. Two of the girls bought a best friend necklace.

Here is what is happening around the State for the Junior Department. Benton Pomona Junior Grange under the leadership of Lyle Utt and Hannele Gauthier meets at Fairmount Grange at 835 NW North Albany Road the third Sunday of the month.

Washington-Yamhill Pomona Grange is sponsoring a Junior Grange at Leedy Grange and Lane Pomona Grange is venturing to sponsor a Junior Grange which will meet at M o h a w k - M c K e n z i e - Willakenzie Grange.

This coming April we are tentatively planning a 3 day weekend Jamboree in Terrebonne with the Youth and a July or August Day Camp at Irving Grange.

"Every Subordinate Grange needs to include Juniors in their meetings/activities to prepare Juniors for a bright and successful future in the Grange."

Future successes are determined by what we do today. So the little positive things we do today bring the rewards of tomorrow: the seed brings the fruit.

Redland Grange Cleans Road

Several members of Redland Grange #796 spent Wednesday October 24 picking up trash along a two mile chunk of Hattan Road in Clackamas County which fronts their Grange Hall.

The crew working on the road cleanup pictured below included, Dick Wanker, Gertie Thompson, Cathy Assad, Annette Moulton, Cory Hawkins, Sandra Foley, Gina Belfore and Annette Wanker behind the camera. Shirley Gilman, Frances Pringle and Destinee Fluharty prepared a feast for the hungry group when they came in from a two hour job. The crew received many honks and thank yous. Even the weather cooperated and provided a nice day to be outside.



The Secretary's Column



Phyllis Wilson

Secretary ~ Oregon State

IMPORTANT REMINDERS: Subordinate/Community & Pomona Grange Roster Forms are due December 1. The form requires information for the Master, Overseer, Lecturer, Chaplain, Secretary and Treasurer plus committees. The office will appreciate your help in completing the form and returning it by the December 1 deadline as work has to begin on the 2014 Roster as soon as possible.

Notices of Dues are to be sent to members 30 days prior to January 1 showing the amount of annual dues for the upcoming year. The office has dues reminder cards or dues reminder envelopes available. I have found it very helpful to include self-addressed return envelopes with my dues notices. It's a good way to use up all those free mailing labels we receive in the mail.

National Bonding Insurance premiums are due in January. There should be information coming from the state office in the near future related to coverage and premiums.

It was my pleasure to meet in October with Master Bill Dodds, Secretary Susan Lorraine and Treasurer Cathy of the newly organized Multnomah Grange #71 in Gresham to help them get started with their duties and paperwork. Nadine Telschow, Master of Fairfield Grange #720 in Marion County, traveled with me and was helpful by offering some advice and suggestions for these "newbies". The Grange had plans for a "Fine Junque" sale in the hall. Funds are needed for various repairs on the hall, which has a new roof.

This issue will be our last issue of 2013 and will arrive as we are preparing for the holidays. May you have a bounty of delicious food at your Thanksgiving meal and may your Christmas holiday be filled with kindness for those less fortunate and love for everyone AND a reminder of our dear Savior's birth.

See you in 2014 at some Grange hall down the road!!

Grange Youth & Young Adults

Kitty "Cat" Thomas

Youth Director ~ Oregon State Grange



Greetings

Brothers and Sisters,

Firstly, let's congratulate Thomas Parker (Colton-Foothills Grange #831, Clackamas County) who will be representing Oregon at National Convention this year. He has received the distinction of being selected to participate on the National Youth Officer Team as Gatekeeper.

As we send a youth to National Convention, it is an opportunity to speak to the leadership training they receive through workshops. Participation at convention hopefully strengthens our youth's commitment to our organization through the friendships they build and lessons they learn. For many youth, it is one of their first opportunities to fly and visit a location outside of our state learning to appreciate different rhythms of life. Our Ambassador and Young Couple programs are two programs that allow travel to National Convention.

Another avenue to National Convention is participating on the National Youth Officer Team. I've been privileged to travel with our youth to National Convention since 2010 and every year I am encouraged by the lessons our youth learn and their renewed enthusiasm for our organization that attending National Convention instills.

We need to encourage and support our youth in taking advantage of these programs.

We are still accepting items for the youth online auction. Our activity fund is being depleted quicker than it's being replenished since we've begun offering housing to youth attending state convention. If we wish to continue to create an opportunity for youth to attend state convention, we must add a fundraising activity. Like National Convention, State Convention is a cost effective means of shaping our youth to be stronger leaders through workshops, youth officer corps, acting as delegates and other activities we offer at convention. Please consider donating a quality item that we can offer in an online auction. We are trying to an online auction hoping to procure some of our funding needs from the public at large and not solely from the pockets of Grangers.

In October we had a Director's Retreat. One of the exercises during the retreat was to break out and chat one on one with another director. The discussion was to create a program that allows our committees to bring a worthwhile benefit to our state membership.

The youth are partnering with the community service committee to focus on the youth's annual charity. This annual charity raises funds from

one annual convention to the next annual convention with a check for the funds raised being presented to the charity we supported that year.

The youth also partnered with the junior committee. We've been looking for an avenue to create a bridge between the junior and youth programs. Too many juniors graduate from their program and never continue to subordinate membership and participation in the youth program. To this end, we will offer a junior jamboree in April 2014. We will hopefully be able to find a Grange centrally located in our state to host a weekend of fun for the juniors and provide the

youth an opportunity to attend acting as mentors and counselors. We are working on securing the hall and date as this article is written.

Be watching for your quarter end mailing from the OSG office. We will have a letter and jamboree application in that mailing.

As I leave you for this month, the holiday is upon us. Here's wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday where we build memories with those that we love. To every Grange may we ring in a prosperous 2014 where we will grow our organization.

As always, until next time keep encouraging the youth.
Cat

Clackamas Pomona Youth Celebrate Halloween With Fun

Clackamas County Pomona Grange Youth had an awesome night October 26th as they visited the Pumpkin Fest at the Wooden Shoe Farm. In the Haunted corn maze the Grange youth had to watch out that the mad shoe carver did not catch them and elsewhere on farm the Zombies had invaded and the youth took a haunted ride with their paint ball guns to help purge them from the farm on the farm's zombie hunter vehicles. Twenty-nine people made up the Grange group. There were five



Granges represented, and most of the youth brought non-Grange friends to introduce them to the fun. They are looking forward to their next fellowship event: Christmas caroling in the Canby area on Sunday December 15th. Follow this active group on Facebook.

Parker Selected National Youth Gatekeeper



Clackamas Pomona Grange #1 and is the 2013 Oregon State Grange Youth Gatekeeper. He is excited to be the Gatekeeper at all levels of the Grange at the same time. He joined the Grange last fall and has all seven degrees.

Thomas Parker is a 14 year-old member at Colton-Foothills Grange #831 in Clackamas County where he currently serves as Gatekeeper and youth chairman. He is also Gatekeeper for

In addition to his Grange offices he was on the special effects team for the 5th degree at this year's State Convention and was a member of the Rosebud Team. Outside of Grange he is involved in the Odd Stocks & Crafts 4H Club; currently serving as Treasurer after serving as President last year. He also was Den Chief for the local Cub Scout pack.

Your Name: _____	Moving? Let Us Know.
Old Address: _____	New Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____	City/State/Zip: _____
Email: _____	Phone: _____
Grange Name/Number: _____	
Please provide name of any Subordinate/Community Grange office/Committee Chairman positions currently held.	
Mail to: Oregon State Grange, 643 Union St NE, Salem OR 97301 office@orgrange.org	

Columbia Grange #867 Holds Open House

Columbia Grange #867 held their annual Open House Celebration Saturday, October 19th with a baked potato bar followed by an ice cream social provided by the GROW Club. Special guests were several community members representing community groups that the Grange supports.



GROW Club members served ice cream sundaes.

Beau Putman from the local animal shelter explained that they are the Humane Society of Eastern Oregon/Pet Rescue and serve as an adoption agency for Umatilla and two neighboring counties. The Grange presented him with items collected including a carrier, leashes and other stuff.

Teri Stanford, local 3rd grade teacher whose classes have been the recipients of the Grange's donations of dictionaries, talked about how she uses the books with her students.

Catherine Chaney from the domestic abuse shelter shared

information on the shelter that supports women and children for Umatilla and Moro counties. Columbia sent her home with food and paper products.

The final guest was Morgan Wilson, a Special Education Life Skills teacher at the local middle school. She discussed her students and explained how the backpacks and school supplies provided by the Grange will be used.

Grangers in the News...



Granger Debi Tracy Schreiber was one of the 4H leaders recognized earlier this fall at the Wallowa County Family Appreciation Night. Recognition was given to 1st year leaders, and then those marking the 5, 10, 15 (and so on) anniversaries of their service. Sister Debi volunteers as a 4-H Cooking Club leader and was recognized for her 15 years as a leader. She originally started with older teenage girls who wanted to master pies and more complicated processes. One of her students went on to earn a culinary degree, an achievement which she was pretty proud of.

About 12 years ago, she switched gears and went with the younger members called Cloverbuds (K-3) as an afterschool program. She finds it is really fun and the kids are proud of what they can do. Specifically, the kids have told her that they love making deviled eggs and afterschool snacks that they learned to bake, even years after they were in her club. She has issued "licenses" to run a hand mixer, taught kids to plan menus, make simple and practical recipes, read recipes, set tables, and encourages public speaking. (She has represented Oregon in Grange public speaking

2014 OSG Convention Degree Team

There are not many opportunities to see the ritual in full form and we must not lose the richness in heritage of our fraternity. The Master's Annual Address requested the exemplification of the first four degrees on the Sunday before the opening of the 2014 Annual Convention. These degrees will be available to members who have yet to participate in the degrees and allow all members to see the degrees.

The State Master has given the project to the youth to bring to fruition. We are extending an invitation to all members interested in participating in this unique opportunity to exemplify the degrees. This is open to all members whether or not you've participated on a ritual team previously. You can participate on both teams if you choose.

Any member interested in participating on a degree team needs to know the following:

- Officers with speaking parts will be required to memorize their parts. Full memorization of parts lends impressiveness to the ritual.
- There will be two teams; one for first/second and another for third/fourth
- We wish to have team members in a uniform that is appropriate for the ritual. To this end, men need to be in white shirts and black dress pants and women in white blouses and black skirts.
- The State Master wishes to provide youth first opportunity for offices
- We will identify a Grange for practice on Saturday in the early evening but late enough to not conflict with the golf tournament
- Exemplification of the degrees will be Sunday, probably commencing around 1pm. All degree team members will be expected to be in attendance for all 4 degrees.

If you are interested in being considered for an office on these degree teams, please make your interest known by completing this form and mailing to Cat Thomas, 1649 NE Kane Dr, Gresham OR 97030 or scan/eMail to OSG.Youth@gmail.com. Forward no later than November 30th.



Name _____

Grange _____ County _____

Interested in : ___ 1st/2nd degree and/or ___ 3rd/4th degree

Have you participated on a degree team before
 _____ Yes _____ No

Please indicate in order of preference the office for each degree
(it's perfectly acceptable to provide fewer than 3 offices)

1st/2nd	3rd/4th
1) _____	1) _____
2) _____	2) _____
3) _____	3) _____

contests in the past.)

Her children, Deidre and Devin have both gotten involved in 4H. Deidre is 12 and shows cattle, horses, participates in archery, rifle and cooking. Devin participates in Debi's Cloverbud Cookers group and

he is turning into a great cook. Professionally, Sister Debi is the 4H Extension Agent in Wallowa County. She is a member of the Lostine Grange and her children were both Junior Grange officers who helped put on the Junior Degree at last year's National Grange Convention in Boise.

Ken and Nadine Telschow Celebrate 40 years with the Grange

Earlier this year, Fairfield Grange # 720 presented a plaque celebrating 40 years with the Oregon Grange to Ken and Nadine Telschow.

Nadine and Ken Telschow began their long association with the Grange when neighbors invited them to join them at a Grange meeting for the evening. They joined Colton-Foothills Grange #831 in Colton in the fall of 1972. They joined Clackamas County Pomona on February 24, 1973 and then took their 6th degree in Oregon City in 1973 and their 7th degree in Eugene in 1985.

In the mid 1985 while visiting Nadine's parents, Jesse and Louise Davis in Grants Pass, Nadine and Ken invited them to visit Fruitdale Grange. The Davis' liked the Grange and its people. With the permission of the current master of the Fruitdale, Bill Taggart, Ken, as a past master, gave them their 4th degree obligation to join the Grange.

Around 1980 the Telschows moved to a farm just West of Hubbard which had an Aurora address, but remained with Colton-Foothills Grange. It was a long drive from their new home. They met friends through a Woodburn Grange meeting, and decided in early 1993 to transfer to the Fairfield

Grange, which was closer to their new home, and had a plaque celebrating 40 years with the Oregon Grange to Ken and Nadine Telschow.

The Telschows have given back much in time and talent to the Grange. Brother Ken was Overseer, Assistant Steward, and then Master for six years at Colton-Foothills Grange. He has been Assistant Steward and is currently Overseer at Fairfield.

Sister Nadine was Lecturer, Ceres, Secretary and Lady Assistant Steward at Colton-Foothills Grange. She has been Lecturer and is currently Master at Fairfield Grange. She has also been Treasurer in Marion County Pomona.

Both enjoy volunteering through the Grange and in the community. Ken cooks lunch twice a month at the Keizer Salem Area Senior Center. Nadine spends a lot of time with the Grange Workers sewing pajamas and quilts for Helping Hands and other charities.

Additionally, they have two sons, Karl and Mark who are both members at Fairfield Grange and this past June their 14 year old grandson, Braeden, joined the Grange, making for three generation of Telschows at Fairfield Grange.



Trying to find 1948 75th Anniversary Oregon State Grange Film

In 1948 Grange Mutual made a film titled "The New Harvest" The Oregon State Grange celebrated their 75th anniversary in Astoria and the film was made special for this event. Does anyone happen to have a copy of this film?

If so please contact:
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tthorud@comcast.net

The Agricultural Report



John Fine

Ag. Committee Director ~ Oregon State Grange

More Women Becoming the Principle Operators of American Farms

As I endeavored to convey in the last article, the industry of Agriculture is very diverse and is ever changing within the landscape of our nation and the global economy. The last issue of the Capital Press included a very interesting article regarding the expanding role of women in Agriculture, specifically those that are returning to the farm as the primary operator for the farm.

With the average age of farmers in Oregon at 57, the Department of Agriculture predicts that half of the state's farmland could change hands due to retirement or death in the next decade. As families are smaller than in past generations, there are fewer children to carry on the business. Sometimes that means there are no sons to carry on as has been the tradition.

With the change in Agricultural production practices, modern technology and other factors, the door is open to more women becoming the farm's

principal operator. The 2007 Census of Agriculture confirmed a 30 percent increase in women in charge of the day to day operations of farms compared to the 2002 Census. Fourteen percent of the nation's farms are operated by women.

The shift to women as farm operators originated on smaller operations generally of about 100 acres but there is definitely a shift to larger farming operations with women in control. The women featured in the Capital Press are operators of 700 acres to 1200 acres of diversified crop production.

How might this new trend impact the Grange? If we examine the five reasons a person joins any organization, I anticipate all can see the correlation. People seek in an organization the prospect of involving the entire family, interacting with the friends and neighbors and making a difference in their communities. This is a great opportunity for the Grange to attract women in agriculture to our organization.

Clackamas Co. Granger Celebrates 50 Years

Judi Hester-Aus was recognized recently at a Maplewood Grange #662 meeting with her 50 yr. pin and certificate. Judi joined Maplewood Grange in Clackamas County in 1961 and has participated in many of the activities of the group over the years. Presenting her with her award is Master Dan Keely.





In Memoriam

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| Vera Mandel
Scholls #338 | Irene Williams
Barlow Gate #157 |
| Mary Ann Santoro
Scholls #338 | Kathryn Rutherford
Pine Forest #632 |
| Esther Lancaster
Bridge #730 | Roberta Neff
Ada #570 |
| Dorothy Nelson
Bridge #730 | Warren E. Warren
Warren #536 |
| Andrew Lancaster
Bridge #730 | Zorieta Tankersley
Spray #940 |
| Marie Brady
Azalea #785 | Jane Harris
Vale #696 |
| Ardith Sheppard
Azalea #785 | Betty M. Clark
Lacomb #906 |
| Edward Baisch
Fernwood #770 | Louie Gregory
Myrtle Creek #442 |
| Iona Ritchey
Roxy Ann #792 | Doris Jenkins
Myrtle Creek #442 |
| Anne Griffith
Lacomb #907 | David Weilbrenner
Myrtle Creek #442 |
| Hala Marshall
Lake Creek #697 | Carl Winsenberg
Myrtle Creek #442 |
| Deanna McDowell
Barlow Gate #157 | Delma Drinkard
Charity #103 |

Seen through the eyes of Faith, we remember our Brothers and Sisters not as ones dead, they have only gone on before us through the gates of the Grange above, where dwells the Great Master of us all.



The Chaplain's Corner

*Peggy Fine
Chaplain ~ Oregon State Grange*

The message this month is about Christmas. I know, anymore we are sick of Christmas before Halloween arrives. Decorations are in the store and we hear every day about more and more stores that are going to open for Black Friday on Thursday evening. Ask a child or an elderly person what he/she wants for Christmas and many of them will say "Nothing" or the child says something so expensive their parents put it on a credit card and pay it off for months.

Really, is that what Christmas has become - toys and gifts that have no meaning? Unfortunately in our society, that is what it has become in many homes. It doesn't have to be. There are always trees in malls where you can pick a child's name and give a needy child a gift. Many trees also exist for the elderly with suggestions of slippers, assorted cards, stamps, etc.

For your own grandchildren think about spending quality time with them. Sometimes their parents are so busy with work, they just need someone to talk to or take to the zoo or hang out at the park. Sometimes you can cook a

meal for them so their parents will have some evening time to spend with their own children.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child is a wonderful way to help children all over the world have a gift at Christmas and a great opportunity to take your children and grandchildren with you to buy the gifts so they understand what gift giving is really about.

Christmas is the time to celebrate Christ's birth. He gave us the best present ever - to die a terrible death for our sins. He didn't buy us a toy or a trip or a box of cookies or cake. He gave himself.

Matthew 6:19-21 tells us "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where you treasure is, there your heart will be also." Laying up treasure in heaven is about learning to value what God values. God values and loves all of us. Sacrificing time and money for the needs of others - that is a treasure. At this time or year and all year try storing up treasures. You will be greatly rewarded.

Have a blessed Christmas.

UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS

Pomona Secretaries are to send in meeting information to the Bulletin Editor as soon as date, time, and location are determined and/or changed.

Pomona	Date	Time	Meeting Place
Baker #24	February 1	10:30 AM	
Benton #36	January 18	10:30 AM	Fairmount #252
Clackamas #1	January 25	10:00 AM	Beavercreek #276
Columbia #18	February 1	10:00 AM	
Coos-Curry-West Coast #30	January 18	10:00 AM	
Deschutes #25	February 8	10:00 AM	
Douglas #13	January 25	6:00 PM	Riversdale Grange #731
Jackson #27	January 11	10:00 AM	
Josephine #20	November 30	10:00 AM	Fruitdale Grange #379
Lane #14	January 25	10:00 AM	Creswell #496
Lincoln #10	February 15	10:30 AM	
Linn #12	January 11	10:00 AM	
Marion #4	January 11	10:00 AM	
Multnomah #15	February 15	9:30 AM	
Polk #3	January 18	10:00 AM	Oak Grove #198
Tillamook #9	February 15	10:30 AM	
Umatilla #26	February 22	10:30 AM	White Eagle #683
Wallowa #22	January 11	10:00 AM	Hurricane Creek #608
Washington-Yamhill #2	January 25	10:00 AM	Fernwood #770





The Membership Game

Bob & Sandi Ludi

Membership Directors ~ Oregon State Grange

Does Your Grange Have Its Game On?

Go Grangers!

Got your game on? We know what that phrase means in terms of sports activities- but how does that phrase relate to Grange you might ask? Good question. Does your Grange have a game plan to get new members? Inviting non-members to speak for a Lecturer's program on some local problem, current issue or topic that involves the public is one game plan. Inviting the public into your hall to hear your speaker is a great way to promote your Grange. Another game plan is recognizing someone in the community whether it be a fireman, teacher, police officer, volunteer, etc. at one of your Grange meetings or at a special time is a great idea. There is a recognition program through the National Grange for this also. Inviting family and friends of the person being recognized is a must. Publicizing it in the local newspaper, posting flyers in the community and/ or handing out flyers door to door is all key to a successful event.

Whatever your game plan is to get new members depends on your Grange membership to work together as a team to make it happen! Don't rely on one person to do all the planning. Form a committee and then assign tasks for each member.

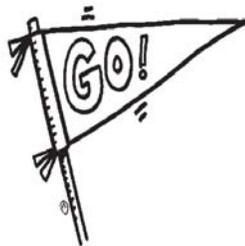
Does your Grange have applications for membership? Those can be obtained through the Oregon State Grange office in Salem. They are free!!! Take advantage of this very valuable membership tool. We love the phrase that Sarah Kingsborough (Communications Director of the Oregon State Grange) uses. She often says, "We are now taking applications for membership." How cool is that? Simple and to the point. It makes the non-member feel Important too.

In the next quarterly report there will be a question added in regards to the State Membership Team. Hopefully, this will help us better know your Grange's membership needs.

One of us (Sandi) will be attending National Grange Session this month. Our goal or game plan is to have around five Membership Conferences around the state with our National Grange Leadership/Membership Director, Michael Martin leading them early next year. More information will be in the Bulletin as well as notification via your Grange Secretary.

So.....will your Grange get their game on? Plan an event, advertise it and then ask non-members to attend.....and then maybe mention that your Grange is taking applications for membership???

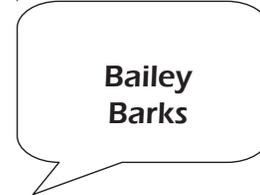
Good luck and Go Grange Teams!!!



The OSG Membership Committee would like to know what the needs of the individual Granges are so they can be more responsive. To that end there is a new question on the 2013 Fourth Quarter Report.

Question #6 asks "Would your Grange be interested in having the Membership Committee visit to help with member recruitment?"

What would be a convenient date?"



It's fall and that means leaves to play in, mud to track into the house and it means that no one is checking the tomato plants to see who has been picking the final tomatoes! It also means "Howl-o-Ween"! Don't forget the dog while you are getting goodies to hand out. I figure that I may not be going house to house, but I still expect (demand really) goodies. Mom and Dad seem more focused on giving out treats to the kids that come to the house, but I make sure they do not forget me when it comes to handing out snacks, even if I have to sit with the witch hat on and look "adorable" for the camera.

I want to give a shout out to my friend Sara Wilson who sent my Mom home from the Columbia Grange open house with a basket of goodies

for me. Sara was one of the participants in the first Bailey's Good Dog Contest and took first place! Since all of the contest items were donated to the Humane Society, I didn't get to sample anything, but now I'm in "Dog" heaven. Thank you Sara!

With all the holidays coming up please remember the shelter dogs out there. A lot of the Humane Societies have "giving trees" or fundraisers this time of year; please remember the one near you. And if you have a special picture of your dog (or even cat) send it into the Bulletin and maybe we can convince the new editor to run a "pet" section! Who's with me?

Until next time, Woof!
Bailey



Community Involvement

Pat Heard

Community Service and Involvement
Director ~ Oregon State Grange

Remembered for Blowing Up a Whale

On October 30 George Thorton passed away. He was 84. Some of you may remember him, for the rest of you, don't go taxing your brain he wasn't a Granger.

He worked for the Oregon Department of Transportation. George will be remembered by the rest of us not for the good he did his community, not for the youth groups he sponsored, or the church he attended. Most of us will never even know about his family.

George will be remembered by history for one thing: blowing up a whale, badly.

In one way I am sad that a man who probably was like many of us will be remembered for possibly his greatest failure.

In another way I have to chuckle at the foibles of a human doing what we do best, making mistakes. If what George proposed had worked, we would not be talking about him today.

Go out and do something spectacular for your community, and I wish you the best in your endeavors, hopefully you will be remembered for something wonderful.

Oregon Granges Celebrate the Holidays

November 22nd & 23rd Annual Country Holiday Bazaar 9am-5pm Central Grange #360, 87200 Central Road, Eugene. *Many crafters, sewing, Jewelry, leather, Homemade soaps & lotions, jams, jellies, pickles and so much more.*

November 22nd & 23rd Holiday Market 10am-8pm (22) & 10am-4pm (23) Irving Grange #377, 1011 Irvington Drive, Eugene. For info contact Unique BoutiqueHoliday@gmail.com or psjill@comcast.net Call 541-688-6542 *Partnering with Irving Community Market and Unique Boutique to present Holiday Market. "local and handmade" Holiday Market with food and music. lunch and snacks for sale. Free coffee (because we're a Grange)*

November 24th Thanksgiving Potluck 1pm Wolf Creek Grange #596 215 E St, North Powder. For info contact Joyce Lawyer 541.898.2146

November 30th Bazaar 9 am to 4 pm Barlow Gate Grange 56960 Market Rd, Wamic/ Tygh Valley. *Grange will serve a breakfast casserole, maple bars, coffee and plans for lunch to be available also. Santa will visit around noon and hand out candy canes.*

November 30th & December 1st Holiday Craft Sale 10am-5pm Boring-Damascus Grange 27861 Grange St., Boring. Vendors wanted: 503.318.5784

December 1st Bazaar 10am-4pm Wolf Creek Grange #596 215 E St, North Powder. \$5 for vendors. For more info Joyce Lawyer 541.898.2146

December 2nd Christmas Program 7pm Spencer Creek Grange 86013 Lorane Hwy, Eugene. For more info Lecturer Genie Harden 541-341-1709 gmharden@gmail.com. *Featuring holiday music, chorus groups from Church Hill High School, the Lansingers, and Sheldon High School, the Dublinaires. Cookies, candy canes and punch/coffee available. Holiday baskets are*

presented to honored senior citizens from the area. A short video of the year's Grange activities is presented.

December 3rd Santa Sale 5pm Wolf Creek Grange #596 215 E St, North Powder. For info contact Sue Dehaas 541.898.3000

December 7th Pay It Forward fundraiser Irving Grange #377 1011 Irvington Drive, Eugene. *Homeless outreach that we do throughout the cold months.*

December 7th Annual Christmas Dinner and open house 6:00 p.m. Azalea Grange #786 142 Pisqually Ln, Azalea. *Guests bring veggie or desert and Grange furnishes the rest. Entertainment and Santa Claus for the evening.*

December 7th Holidays @ the Grange 10am-5pm Fairview Grange #273 10215 Hwy 101 S., Tillamook. Tables rentals \$35. *Handmade items.*

December 7th Bazaar White Clover Grange 36585 Hwy 53, Nehalem. For info contact Hope Stanton 503 812-9965 or Marie Scovell 503 368-5674. *The bazaar includes a raffle for a Christmas quilt, lots of vendors selling crafts, homemade foods and items. Homemade sausage/sauerkraut lunch or vegetarian chili with pie.*

December 8th Williams Grange Holiday Pancake Breakfast 8:30-11am Williams Grange 20100 Williams Hwy, Williams. For info contact kathybob@oigp.net. *"I'm Dreaming of some Williams Grange Pancakes"*

December 8th Holiday Market Noon - 4pm Summit Grange 432 19824 Summit Hwy, Blodgett. For info contact Evelyn Idzerda eved@peak.org. *Lovely hand-crafted goods there along with snacks and live music. A holiday gathering and an opportunity for folks in our community to buy Christmas gifts from local sources.*

December 8th Catch the Spirit of Christmas in Boring Christmas Tree Lighting Event 5pm The Park in Boring Center & Boring-Damascus Grange 27861 Grange St., Boring. For info contact Kathy Bigelow @ (503) 663-4651. *Bring Your Family & Join Your Neighbors for a Fun (and free) Evening of: Caroling at the Christmas Tree, Refreshments & visit with Santa at the Grange, Craft table for kids, cookies & hot beverages and bring canned food or an unwrapped toy for a local needy family.*

December 8th Williams Grange Holiday Blue Grass Jam 11am-1pm Williams Grange 20100 Williams Hwy, Williams. For info contact kathybob@oigp.net. *In cooperation with Chinquapin Center for the Arts.*

December 8th Grand Opening of our New Country Kitchen 1-4pm Warren Grange Columbia County Fair Complex 58892 Saulser Rd. St. Helens. *Celebrate the Grand Opening of our New Country Kitchen. Ribbon Cutting at 1:30pm.*

December 13th Annual Christmas gathering for members and community 6pm Redland Grange #796 18131 S Fishers Mill Rd, Oregon City. For info contact Gertrude Thompson, Secretary, 503-631-2065. *The Grange is furnishing turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy. Santa will be there to give stockings to children. We ask adults to bring a gift for each of your children for Santa to give to them. Be sure and mark their name on it in big letters for Santa to see. Each family can take home a bowl of homemade cookies. Door prizes too.*

December 13th Annual Christmas Party 6pm Rockwood Grange #323 183rd and Southeast Stark St., Portland. For info contact Lee Putman hputm@q.com 503-774-2674. *By invitation only.*

December 14th Annual Christmas Party 5pm Beaver

Homes Grange Beaver Homes Rd, Rainier.

December 14th Junction City Little Opry (Christmas Show) 7pm Junction City Grange 1420 Kalmia St. which is on the corner of 14th and Kalmia, Junction City. \$5.00 for adults - \$3.00 for 5 to 16 years and free for any children 4 and under. For info contact Anita Starns - 541-913-6854 - susie0203@yahoo.com. *It is fashioned after the Grand Ole Opry, but we have songs from the oldies and country and western. This Christmas Show will have some of your favorite Christmas songs. Also some of the singers put a little skit with their songs. All monies collected on these shows goes towards the roof fund. Refreshments*

December 14th Holiday Craft Bazaar 9am-4pm Kellogg Grange #811 18037 State Hwy West, Oakland. For info contact Donna Kobbe 541-459-2626. *Beverages and Snack items will be available. Many local crafters will be selling Gift Items made for the Holiday.*

December 14th Christmas dinner and program 2pm Midland Grange #781 6601 Tingley Ln, Klamath Falls. For info contact Louise Holst 541-591-3498. *Grange provides the turkey, potluck for the dinner. All Welcome.*

December 14th Clackamas Pomona Grange Winterhawks Night 7pm Veterans Memorial Coliseum 300 North Winning Way, Portland. For info contact Don Kingsborough kingsborpops@aol.com. *Portland vs. Seattle - Les Schwab Teddy Bear Toss for Charity night. Bring a Teddy Bear and toss it on the ice after the first score.*

December 15th Clackamas Pomona Youth Caroling Party 4:30pm Meet at Rackleff House, 655 SW 13th St, Canby. *Going to sing Christmas songs & bring cheer to several assisted living / senior centers. So bring your singing voices. Enjoy pizza after at Lone Elder.*

Candidate Statements for OSG Officer Elections - Vote at your December meeting

December in odd years is primary election time in Oregon Granges for our State Officers. Subordinate/Community Granges shall vote at any regularly held meeting in December and send in their results to the state office by January 5th. Please follow the directions and let your vote count.

MASTER



Susan Noah

Patrons and Friends,

Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me by your nominations for a second term. I have enjoyed the last year and so it is with pleasure that I accept your nominations for the office of Master of the Oregon State Grange.

Having been a Grange member for over 45 years I have built up a considerable knowledge of the Grange, and feel this directly impacts the function of this office. During those 45 years I have been actively engaged in all areas of the Grange, including being Master of my own Grange and the Lane Pomona Grange as well as holding several other

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The "Summer 2013 Champion of Seniors Award" is given to Congressional members who:

-Exhibited outstanding leadership in Congress to protect Medicare.

State, Pomona and Subordinate offices. I have worked hard this year to build the teams that I feel are so important to the running of our State Grange and I hope you will grant me the opportunity to continue to serve you as the Master of the Oregon State Grange.

Thank you again for the confidence you have shown in my abilities.

Fraternally,
Susan Noah
Springfield, Oregon
Lane County

OVERSEER



Celia Luttrell

Brothers and Sisters,

It has been my honor to serve as your State Grange Overseer. The decisions made by your state Executive Committee are always made with careful deliberation, and always with the good of the Order in mind. I want to represent the wishes of the members across our state, but at the same time ensure that

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-Ensured access to affordable prescription medicines for seniors through the Medicare Part D program.

-Demonstrated a continued commitment to protect the doctor/patient relationship for seniors.

Oregon's 5th District Congressman Greg Walden is also a recipient of the "Champion of Seniors" Award.

the Grange remains the vibrant and meaningful organization that it has been for the past 140 years in Oregon. Let's strive to work together to lighten each other's burdens and to create the great Fraternity we can all be proud to hold membership in.

I have lived in Clackamas County over 30 years, have resided just outside of Sandy for the past 10 years, and I am proud to be a native Oregonian. I hold Grange membership at the Boring-Damascus Grange.

Celia Luttrell
Boring-Damascus Grange #260
Clackamas County
Sandy, Oregon

LECTURER



Jay Sexton

I have been a Grange member for four years and have attended four State Sessions, and the National Session in Boise. I helped with the organization of the State Session in Corvallis. I have been Lecturer of Marys River Grange #685 for 3 years, and I would like to gain experience in the workings of the Oregon State Grange.

If elected, I will provide materials and opportunities to Community Grange Lecturers for the benefit of their members and the public. There is an opportunity for Grange growth in the public interest in healthy local foods, as evidenced by the popularity of farmer's markets and farmer direct sales. Educational and social opportunities in our halls will attract new members.

It would be an honor to serve you as a State Lecturer.

Jay Sexton
Marys River Grange #685
Benton County
Philomath, Oregon



Jeanie Force

I would like to thank all of the Grangers who nominated me. It is a privilege and honor to accept the nomination for Lecturer of the Oregon State Grange.

I have been a member of the Grange for over 40 years and have held many offices at the Subordinate and Pomona level.

From my past experiences and work history, I know I can be an effect leader.

If elected, I resolve to do my best to perform the duties of this office, while serving the members of the Oregon State Grange.

Jeanie Force
Sunnyside Grange #842
Clackamas County
Tualatin, Oregon

Rebecca Breier

Thank you for nominating me as a candidate for Lecturer of the Oregon State Grange. I have served with so many great and talented State Lecturers I know that I would have a big job keeping the standards set by them.

I am a fifth generation Granger and joined in December of 1962, although I have attended meeting from the age of two weeks. I have held most of the offices in Subordinate Grange and several in Douglas County Pomona.

I belong to Sutherlin Community Grange which is a bit of a drive from my home in Drain but I am able to attend meetings easier than the Grange closer to my home. I have been married to my best friend Roger Drescher for 14 years and although we have no 2 legged children we have 3 Boston Terriers that have not been told they are dogs.

If I am elected to the office I will do my best to promote the welfare of the order and of mankind. Many of you have watched me grow from a shy teenager into a member that can handle most anything thrown at me thanks to the Grange.

Fraternally,
Rebecca Breier
Sutherlin Community Grange #724
Drain, Oregon
Douglas County

STEWARD

Wayne Cabler

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I accept your nomination for the office of Steward of the Oregon State Grange.

Fraternally,
Wayne Cabler
Central Point Grange #698
Medford, Oregon
Jackson County

ASSISTANT STEWARD



Cole Wilson

Thank you for the nomination for the office of Assistant Steward. I have grown up in the Grange, attending my 1st State Session at the age of 2-days old. I am currently the Overseer of my Subordinate, AS of Pomona, Treasurer of State Youth, Chaplain for National Youth, and District 6 Education Chairman.

I served last year as AS for the State Youth with Mikela Heimuller as LAS and we really enjoyed it. I am a junior at Pendleton High School and am active in the FFA, love hunting, fishing, golf, and being in the outdoors. My parents are Roger and Gail Wilson.

If you vote for me I will do the job to the best of my ability.

Cole Wilson
White Eagle Grange # 683
Pendleton, Oregon
Umatilla County



Phil VanBuren

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Thank you for your nominations for the office of Assistant Steward of the Oregon State Grange.

It has been a pleasure to serve you in this capacity for this current term and look forward to doing so if you desire.

Louise and I have traveled to other Granges around the state and have enjoyed the hospitality and friendships we have received.

I personally enjoy the ritualism and floor work of our organization. I think it allows us to stand out over and above other fraternal groups.

If elected, I will do the best to my ability to carry out the duties of the office of the Oregon State Grange Assistant Steward.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Phillip (Phil) C. Van Buren
Midland Grange #781
Klamath Falls, Oregon
Klamath County

LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD



Mikela Heimuller

It is an honor to receive and accept the nomination as Lady Asst. Steward of the Oregon State Grange.

I am a member of Warren Grange#536 in Columbia County. I have served as several offices in the Subordinate, and Pomona Ganges including Lady Asst.

have been a State Youth officer for Ceres, Steward, and Lady Asst. Steward; I have served on several Youth Installation teams and speaking contest including at Western Regionals, and currently the District 3 Youth Chairman. I participated in the planning meetings for the 2011 State Session held in Seaside.

I have been active in high school sports teams, Key Club Lieutenant Governor, 2012 Columbia County Dairy Princess Ambassador, and church activities; and participated in showing my rabbits, and dairy cows at the county fair.

I am currently attending Eastern Oregon University, majoring in Pre-Veterinary Medicine. I take an active part in my Grange, family, and community.

Thank You for your support.

Fraternally
Mikela Heimuller
Warren Grange# 536
St. Helens, Oregon
Columbia County



Louise Holst

Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your nominations for the office of Lady Assistant Steward of the Oregon State Grange. It has been a great honor and responsibility to serve you the last 2 years. The floor work and ritual of our Grange has always been a favorite part of the Grange to me. I am currently Master of Midland Grange #781 and have held several offices at the Subordinate and Pomona level.

Please make sure your Grange votes and returns the ballots as this process is a part of YOUR voice in YOUR State Grange.

Fraternally,
Louise Holst
Midland Grange #781
Klamath Falls, Oregon
Klamath County

CHAPLAIN



Gail Wilson

Thank you for the nomination for the position of the Oregon State Grange Chaplain. I am currently Secretary of my Subordinate, Master/President of Pomona, County Deputy, & District 6 Youth Chair. I have been in the Grange my entire life and joined the subordinate going on 43-years this February. I have held or filled in every position in the Subordinate and Pomona levels at one time or another. I am married to Roger Wilson and am mom to Misty Gorbett, Brandon Anglin, & Cole Wilson and Grandma to Austin, Owen, and Kymber. I was the Oregon State Grange Chaplain for 8-years and loved the time I served you and our Granges. If you vote me back in I will pick up and continue my work as your Oregon State Grange Chaplain.

Gail Wilson
White Eagle Grange #683
Pendleton, Oregon
Umatilla County

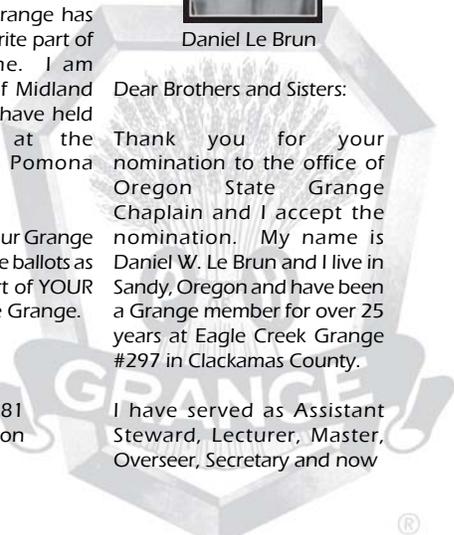


Daniel Le Brun

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Thank you for your nomination to the office of Oregon State Grange Chaplain and I accept the nomination. My name is Daniel W. Le Brun and I live in Sandy, Oregon and have been a Grange member for over 25 years at Eagle Creek Grange #297 in Clackamas County.

I have served as Assistant Steward, Lecturer, Master, Overseer, Secretary and now



serve as Steward of the Eagle Creek Grange. I am also a member of Pomona Grange in Clackamas County and served as Chaplain, Executive Committee, Gatekeeper and County Deputy. I also served for 4 years as your Chaplain of the Oregon State Grange.

If elected I will carry out the duties of my office as Oregon State Grange Chaplain (by sending out get well and/or sympathy cards when needed) and let Grangers know by email or other ways who needs a card. I will continue to write Devotional Thoughts in my Grange Bulletin articles.

Fraternally,
Daniel W. Le Brun
Eagle Creek Grange #297
Sandy, Oregon
Clackamas County



Peggy Fine

My name is Peggy Fine. I am from Riversdale Grange #731 in Roseburg located in Douglas County. I serve as Overseer in my local Grange, Secretary in our Pomona Grange and have served as State Chaplain for the past year and a half. I have thoroughly enjoyed my state officer position, sending cards of sympathy, get well and good cheer to our many patrons that need to be reminded that we all care in their time of need. If it is your desire I would like to continue to serve our brothers and sisters in the Grange while serving my Lord.

Fraternally,
Peggy Fine
Riversdale Grange #731
Roseburg, Oregon
Douglas County

TREASURER



Paula Herrick

Thank you for nominating me for the office of Treasurer of the Oregon State Grange. It would be an honor to serve as your Treasurer. I am a member of Walterville Grange and have been Master, Secretary and Pomona for Walterville Grange.

Thank you again.

Paula Herrick
Walterville Grange #416
Springfield, Oregon
Lane County



Sarah Kingsborough

Brothers and Sisters,

I proudly accept your nominations to serve another term as Treasurer of the Oregon State Grange. Thank you for your confidence in me to be a leader within this great organization. This year I celebrate 22 years as a subordinate member of Warner Grange in Clackamas County, not including my years in Junior Grange. I have held many different positions over the years and served the Grange in the Subordinate, Pomona, and State Grange levels.

The office of Treasurer for the Oregon State Grange may be considered one of the easy positions as there are not a lot of duties and no degree parts to memorize. The Treasurer makes recommendations for the Oregon State Grange operating budget and presents it to the delegates at the annual convention. The Treasurer at the local Subordinate Grange, however, is not one of the easy positions and much is asked of our Treasurers. In the last year I have had the opportunity to help local Granges with auditing their books and gain a better understanding of banking services. I take on even small tasks with great enthusiasm and am delighted to share my professional experience in the banking

industry to support you.

Thank you,

Sarah Kingsborough
Warner Grange #117
Molalla, Oregon
Clackamas County

SECRETARY



Phyllis A. Wilson

It has been my pleasure to serve as OSG Secretary since June, 2010. I gladly accept the nomination and extend my thanks to those who nominated me.

My Grange adventure began in 1969 by joining the former Sumner Grange and becoming "one of those insurance members." During the past 44 years, I have been active in Community, Pomona, State and National Granges.

When Sumner Grange closed in 1988, I demitted to Greenacres where I currently serve as Secretary. I am an affiliate member of Rogue Community and am Secretary/Treasurer of Coos-Curry-West Coast Pomona.

My goal as Secretary is to accurately report the business of the OSG Executive Committee meetings and State Session. These minutes are our history and need to tell our true story for generations to come.

Phyllis A. Wilson
Greenacres Grange #834
Myrtle Point, Oregon
Coos County

GATEKEEPER



Jesse O'Dell

Brothers & Sisters,
I would like to thank all of you

that nominated me to the office of Gatekeeper of the Oregon State Grange.

I became a member of the Grange in 1994 (20 years). I have held the offices of Executive Committee, Gatekeeper, Master & Overseer of Santiam Valley Grange #828.

In the Linn Pomona Grange #12, I have held the offices of Overseer and Master.

I have enjoyed the sharing of ideas, community involvement and the fellowship the Grange provides. I value the ritualism and principles of our Order.

If elected I will do my best to perform the duties of Gatekeeper to the best of my abilities and strive to do it well.

Fraternally,

Jesse O'Dell
Santiam Valley Grange #828
Lyons, Oregon
Linn County

CERES



Beverly Doescher

Thank you for your nomination to the office of Ceres for the Oregon State Grange. It has been my pleasure to serve as your Ceres during the current term.

I was born and raised in Azalea, Douglas County, and Oregon and have been a member of Azalea Grange #786 for the past 43 years. During the time I have served as Master, Overseer, Secretary, LAS, Ex. Comm., GWA and Community Service Chairman.

For Douglas Pomona I have served as Master and Overseer and for the Oregon State Grange I have served as GWA Director and Ceres.

If elected I will serve with honor and to the best of my ability. Thank you.

Beverly Doescher
Azalea #786
Azalea, Oregon
Douglas County



Roberta O'Dell

Brothers & Sisters,

I wish to thank all of you who have nominated me to the office of Ceres of the Oregon State Grange.

I am active in Santiam Valley Grange #8282 (Master) and in Linn County Pomona Grange (Lady Assistant Steward). I have been a member of the Grange for 26 years. The ritualism and the degree work has always been important to me. I will strive to do the best to uphold the ideals of our organization if elected.

Thank you for confidence in me.

Fraternally and Sincerely,
Roberta O'Dell
Santiam Valley Grange #828
Lyons, Oregon
Linn County



Kiri Daufel

Many years ago I joined Tigard Grange to become more connected within my community. At the same time I found interest in participating with Youth Grange. Being active with the youth gave me the opportunity to serve as different officer positions during State Session. I have also had the privilege to serve as National Youth Pomona and attend National Session in Charlotte, NC. Most recently I was elected, and am currently serving as Treasurer for Washington-Yamhill Pomona. Now I would like to have the experience of holding a state officer position, and be honored to do so as Ceres. I would appreciate your encouragement!

Kiri Daufel
Tigard Grange #148
Tigard, Oregon
Washington County

POMONA



Qiana Helm

I would like to start by thanking everyone who has helped me get to where I am today. Being a state office this past year has been a great experience. I'm so lucky to have the support of my fellow brothers and sisters and the Grange as a whole. I would like to accept the nomination for Pomona and Thank you all once again. You are all awesome!

Qiana Helms
Phoenix #779
Medford, Oregon
Jackson County

FLORA



Eva Frost

It is a great honor for me to receive and accept your nomination as Flora of the Oregon State Grange. I have been a member of Warren Grange #536 for 55 years and a Junior (Juvenile) member prior to that. I have held multiple offices in the Subordinate, Pomona and Junior Granges, served as a Junior Leader and State Junior District Leader and am currently as County Deputy for Columbia and Tillamook Counties. I served as co-chair, with an awesome team, on the 2011 State Session held in Seaside. The Grange has been an active part of our family since before 1898. I enjoy outdoors, gardening, yard work, running 5-K events and helping others. I believe if we give our best we will be rewarded with success.

Thank you for your support.

Fraternally
Eva Frost
Warren Grange #536
Scappoose, Oregon
Columbia County



Cookie Trupp

Brothers and Sisters,

I accept the nomination for the office of Flora of the Oregon State Grange. I am honored that you have confidence in my ability to continue to serve our organization in this position. I am LAS for Spencer creek Grange and Treasurer in Lane Pomona Grange. I have served as OSG Membership Co-Director, LAS and am presently Flora of the Oregon State Grange. I have served on National Grange Planning Committees for the years 2002, 2007 and 2012.

I enjoy the "Grange" part of my life. It's fun, challenging, a great way to make friends, share ideas, and be involved in my community.

Fraternally,
Cookie (LaMora) Trupp
Spencer Creek Grange #855
Eugene, Oregon
Lane County

EX. COMMITTEE #1



Malcolm Trupp

Brothers and Sisters,

I am honored that you have the confidence in my ability to nominate me to continue to serve the Grange as an Executive Committee member and I accept your nomination. I have enjoyed serving you on the Executive Committee the last several years.

I have served the State Grange as Assistant Steward, Executive Committee Member and Co-Director of the Membership Committee. I have served on the Legislative Committee and the Investment Committee.

At the local level, I have served as Master, Overseer, Assistant Steward and currently serve as Overseer. At the Pomona level have served as Master,

Overseer, Executive Committee, Assistant Steward and Gatekeeper. I currently serve as Steward.

I believe I can continue to serve the best interest of the Grange and the members of District 1 & District 2. Thank you for the nomination.

Fraternally,
Malcolm Trupp
Spencer Creek Grange #855
Eugene, Oregon
Lane County

EX. COMMITTEE #2
Don Sether

I am Don Sether from Clackamas County. My past Grange offices were: 5 years as your State Grange Gate Keeper, Clackamas County Pomona Overseer for 6 years, Clackamas Pomona Steward for 6 years. On a subordinate level I have been and currently serve as Master of Molalla #310.

I am currently serving as your State Executive member. If elected to continue as your State Executive member I will do my best to work for you to the best of my ability the next 2 years.

Fraternally,
Don Sether
Molalla #310
Molalla, Oregon
Clackamas County

EX. COMMITTEE #3



Roger Wilson

Thank you for the nomination for the position of Oregon State Grange Executive Committee #3. I currently hold this position and enjoy the work I do for you and the State Grange. I am Master of my Subordinate, Secretary of Pomona, and District 6 Veterans Committee Chairman. I am married to Gail Wilson, dad to Cole Wilson, Brandon Anglin, & Misty Gorbett, grandpa to Austin, Owen, and Kymber. If you reelect me for this position I will continue to serve you to the best of my ability.

Roger Wilson
White Eagle Grange #683
Pendleton, Oregon
Umatilla County

OREGON STATE GRANGE Executive Committee Minutes - August 24, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. on the above date by Master Susan Noah with Overseer Celia Luttrell, Secretary Phyllis Wilson and Executive Committee members Roger Wilson, Malcolm Trupp and Don Sether in attendance. A quorum was declared. The opening prayer was led by the Secretary.

MINUTES: The following minutes were approved with corrections:

- Thursday, May 23, Executive Committee
- Friday, June 21, State Session
- Friday, June 21, Executive Committee

COMMUNICATIONS:

- August 9, 2013 Letter – National Grange – 3rd Quarter, 2013 GIA

- Payment - \$5,370
- Thank You Note – Linda Short, Rockford Grange – Regarding State Session
- Thank You Note – Julie Schnetzky – Regarding Spence Scholarship Award

FINANCIAL REPORTS: April 30, 2013 Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Directors' Funds Balance Sheets – Malcolm moved, Don 2nd that because 2012 ended on a positive financial note, it would not be necessary to transfer money from the Directors' Funds into the 2012 budget to balance it. Motion carried.

Celia now has a remote connection from the office to her home for the accounting work. She will soon be able to email monthly reports to the

board.

2011 Financial Statement Audit – The auditor's report was reviewed. Membership/Grange Information Report – This report was prepared by staff member Jan Oleson and shows totals for different classes of individual memberships and Grange membership totals.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Woodburn Grange – ODOT has had no response from this Grange regarding the easement on Woodburn's property. ODOT will condemn the property if Woodburn does not respond.

Rockford Grange – Our attorney has been on vacation, so there is no new information regarding the building being

sold back to the Grange.

Rufus Grange – With our approval, the neighbors have been parking on the property and keeping it mowed. The property is to be listed for sale.

Warren Grange Legal Fees – We reviewed our attorney's charges regarding Warren's agreement with the county fair board.

Action on Klamath & Deschutes Pomona Granges – The Klamath Pomona recently closed and there is no interest from Lake County Granges to start a Klamath/Lake Pomona Grange. Don moved, Roger 2nd to re-district Klamath and Lake Granges into the Deschutes Pomona. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

OSG Legal Work Performed for Subordinate Granges – Discussion centered on the continuous need for legal advice from our attorney regarding various issues confronting Granges. Roger moved, Malcolm 2nd that the Master be authorized to allow up to \$525 for Subordinate and/or Pomona Granges with the Grange, itself, possibly being responsible for the remainder owed. Motion carried.

Rogue River Valley Consolidation – A letter, dated June 27, 2013, was reviewed stating that Rogue River Valley intended to merge with Fruitdale Grange #379. Members of both Granges have agreed to use the Fruitdale Grange name and charter. The letter outlined the dispersal of Rogue's assets. Malcolm moved, Don 2nd to accept the proposal of consolidation of Rogue River Valley with Fruitdale. Motion carried.

Notice of Restriction on Transfer for All Granges – This will affect all Granges. Information will be provided in a future edition of The Bulletin.

Bellview Grange Request – A request of \$15,481.46 has been made for stage improvements. Malcolm moved, Roger 2nd to allow the request, less \$158.75 provided in a previous request. The



Josephine County Pomona Fair Booth Honors Kendall Phillips

This year Josephine Pomona Grange appointed a Fair Committee and made the decision that all of the Josephine County Granges would be represented at the Josephine County Fair. Should a Subordinate Grange not be available to participate in the booth installation, Pomona members would create a booth to represent that Subordinate Grange.

It was decided that the back wall would be uniform in design with scrolls to identify each Grange and their years of service and in keeping with the fair theme "Celebrating 99 Years of Country Charm."

A team of members from Deer Creek Grange and Illinois Valley Granges constructed the Pomona booth. This year the booth was a tribute and memorial celebration of their Pomona Master, Kendall Phillips. The booth was covered with a green table cover and yellow skirt. Around the top of the skirting was attached gold fringe in honor of the fringe on the Pomona Master's sash. Kendall's wife, Tammie, placed his portrait on a tripod along with his gavel, Master's sash, Grange Manual and By-Laws on the booth.

Kendall had also been the County Fair Agricultural

Building Superintendent. This year he was training a new Superintendent, Peter, from the Master Garden program. Peter placed a large handcrafted sign in the booth that read "In Memory of Kendall Phillips." Kendall will be missed dearly by Josephine County Granges as well as his friends and family.

Results were as follows:
 Pomona Grange - 1st Place
 Sunny Valley 1st place & People's Choice
 2nd place – Deer Creek
 3rd place – Illinois Valley
 4th place – Redwood
 5th place – North Pacific
 6th place – Rogue River Valley

motion was approved. The Master is to send a letter addressing the concerns expressed during discussion on Bellview's request.

Multnomah Grange – This Grange was reorganized July 18 with 13 members. John Knox will mentor them for the next year or so.

Kelly Farm Participants – Charlotte Taylor and Breanna Hayes were among Oregon's delegation for the exemplification of historic degree work. Don moved, Phyllis 2nd to reimburse each of them \$300 with the money to come from the Leadership/Membership Fund. Motion carried.

Death of State Lecturer Kendell Phillips – A fire at his home in Cave Junction last month resulted in his death. As a Granger, his wife Tammie will qualify for a \$3,000 benefit from American Life Insurance Co. It is unknown as to Tammie's circumstances other than a trust fund being established for her at a bank in Cave Junction. The fund was opened by the Oregon Historic Cemetery Commission because of Kendell's work on the board.

Appointment of New State Lecturer - Don moved, Susan 2nd that Jeanie Force be appointed. Motion carried.

Quilt Block – It is believed that because of the fire at Kendell's home, the items he had taken from State Session for National Grange were destroyed. A search is underway if someone else might have these items.

Office Position/Bulletin Editor Position – The Master proposed combining these positions previously held by Steve Kroeker and Chris Rea. Discussion followed on salary and schedule. Malcolm moved, Don 2nd to combine the two (2) positions with an hourly wage for three (3) days per week in the office and \$500 for each Bulletin published. Motion carried.

Laptop for State Master Use and Office Use – The estimated cost for a laptop with Windows 8 is approximately \$600. Don moved, Roger 2nd to allow the purchase and to reimburse the

Master \$600. Motion carried.

Request for Items Remaining at Eastside Grange – The Master received a phone call from a woman wanting some of the items in the hall. This hall has been vacant for several years and is in very poor condition. The general consensus was to allow her to remove the requested items and that removal will be at her own risk. She is to secure a broken window and board up the building after removing items.

Loss of Tax Exempt Status – Four (4) Subordinate Granges have lost their tax exempt status because of failure to submit IRS forms. The Secretary suggested working with an IRS contact she has who works out of San Francisco to resolve this matter and will provide the information to the Master.

OSG 140th Anniversary Celebration – We are all invited to this event to be held at the state office on Saturday, September 21.

Purchase Offer for North Lincoln Grange Property – An interested party has offered \$198,500. The tax assessed value is \$192,500. No decision was made.

OSU Summer Ag Institute in Eastern Oregon for 2014 – \$8,000 is needed to continue this program. The e-mail request is to be forwarded to Ag Director John Fine for his decision.

Board Decisions Made Via E-Mail – Malcolm moved, Phyllis 2nd to confirm approval of all E-Mail decisions made since the June meeting. Motion carried. These decisions included:

Directors & Officers insurance obtained with \$2,000,000 coverage and a \$730 annual premium.

Sandlake Grange \$1,080.98 request from trust funds, Draw of \$3,680.20 on Scotts Mills loan.

Request for trust funds from Keizer Grange for a new furnace and door.

Request for trust funds from Keizer Grange for painting.

Authorization for the funds for

a handicap portable restroom for state session.

Agreement to allow real estate agent to list Willows property for \$120,000.

MASTER'S REPORT:

Lake Creek Property – The selling price was \$29,000. After closing costs, lot line adjustment fees and well drilling costs, the net total to go into a special fund was \$15,714.77. The special fund is designated for filing restraints of title on Grange property.

Fair Oaks – Douglas County Deputy Sue Westbrook reported that the motor home is still there and that a clean-up day needs to be scheduled.

Fairview – Eva Frost will continue to mentor this Grange with help from Marilyn Reiher. The "grand opening" was well attended. A new Master has been elected and the State Session talent winner, Joe Warbek, is from this Grange. A Junior Grange might be organized.

Willows – Derrell and Clarann have been cleaning out the hall and secured all Grange items.

Spray – Conflict continues between the Grange and the rodeo group. State Deputy Derrell Witty and Clarann attended a meeting, along with Susan and Membership Co-Director Sandi Ludi.

Log Cabin – New cloth table coverings were purchased for less than \$20 each. It would be nice to, eventually, have cloths with our name and logo.

Degree Work – National Grange is producing a video of degree work. The National Master is searching for Grangers who would like to be involved as actors. Part of the video will be filmed at Abernethy Grange and part at a Grange in Washington State.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Malcolm - No progress in marketing the Franklin property. The Lane County Fair was held in July this year instead of August. 17 Granges participated, each receiving \$200. There were 153 entries in the veggie dress-up contest. Spencer Creek Grange was

given special recognition by the fair board.

Phyllis – The adjacent property owner has shut off the water supply to North Fork hall. There does not seem to be any possibility of reorganizing this Grange, so it should be put on the market. She will contact County Deputy Lynn Johnson for recommendation on a Florence real estate firm. Gold Hill is giving serious consideration to closing. The four (4) Granges in Coos County worked together to coordinate the Land Products Dept. at the county fair. Very positive and supportive comments were received by several fair board members and we have been offered the opportunity to do this next year.

Don – About 90% of Clackamas Granges participated at the Clackamas County Fair. Cookies were being sold as soon as they were baked.

Derrell Witty – His written report showed the following: Wallowa Pomona had a successful Grange Day at the county fair with everyone enjoying ice cream and pie. North End has three (3) new members. South Fork sponsored a July 4th breakfast and has plans for a Junior Grange. Hurricane Creek activities have been hampered by state highway road work close to the hall. Rockwall is still improving its hall and Liberty is "holding its own". Boulevard expressed concerns over the small turn-out for "Hands Across the Border". Susan mentioned that there is talk about a "Hands Across the River" with Washington State. Vale Grange Hall has new windows, has been painted on the outside and has a Grange sign above the front doors. The hall is used by several other groups. This Grange needs help in all areas in properly conducting its business.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m. The next meeting will begin at 9 a.m. Thursday, October 17.

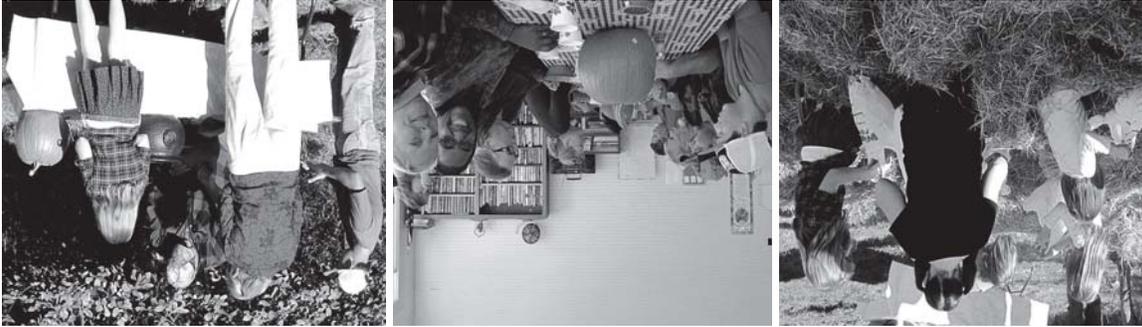
Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis A Wilson, Secretary

Bulletin



Oregon State Grange



Mohawk Valley Community Grange held their October Harvest Event on Saturday, October 19th. It was a great event with many folk that haven't been seen in a while in attendance. The event included a visit from the local reindeer farm, who brought Frosty and Cupid for people to enjoy. Lots of children participated in the Straw Scramble for candy and apples. Adults joined them for pumpkin carving and laughed at Grangers characterized in chainsaw pumpkin carving, a Mohawk Valley Community Grange tradition. Following all the fun they went inside for their traditionally super potluck supper. A great time was had by all!



A whole lot of fun was had at the October 26th Clackamas County Pomona Grange Meeting

Community Grange Calendar What to do in your Grange this winter

Month	Activity	Description
November-December	Elect & Install Officers	Community Granges hold elections in Oct-Nov annually or biannually depending on the individual Grange bylaws. New officers begin their term in January. All officers should be installed at the beginning of a new term, even if re-elected. The Installation ceremony is in the Grange manual and can be performed at your individual Grange. Many Pomona Granges offer installation days where all are welcome to attend. View the State Grange Calendar for an upcoming Installation Ceremony in your area.
December	Report New Officers and Committee Chairs	Roster information is due to the state office by December 2 nd . After election, the new Master should appoint committee chairs for the following year, and their contact info should be submitted to the roster. Each committee should have a named chair, making communication of activities and projects from the state leadership team easier. Members can serve on more than one committee.
November-December	Holiday Event	Host a fun holiday event or charitable project. Invite friends and family, offer for neighboring Granges to participate, promote it publicly, and send a story to the Grange bulletin. Examples: Christmas Party Potluck & Gift Exchange, Christmas Caroling at Retirement Center, Attend Community Tree Lighting as a Grange, Adopt a Family for Christmas, Send Cards to Soldiers.
November-December	Winterize Grange Hall	Prepare your Grange Hall inside and out for Winter to avoid costly repairs and make Spring clean up a little easier. Insulate external pipes, test furnace, clean or replace furnace air filters, fill oil tanks if applicable, clean air ducts, check smoke detectors and fire extinguishers, clean gutters, check roof, clear excess yard debris and dead plants.
January	Audit Financial Records	Audit the Treasurer's record book, Secretary's minutes, and bank statements to ensure all financial records for the previous year are accurate and complete. An audit should be performed by a committee appointed by the Master. Pomona officers or those from neighboring Granges are great support.
January	Quarterly Report	Complete your quarterly report and submit to the Oregon State Grange office.

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