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139th Annual Session June 10-15 in Seaside

This year's State Session theme is "Follow the Light to Seaside." The convention will be held at the Seaside Convention Center, which is located at 415 First Avenue. District #3 Grangers from Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, and Yamhill Counties have been preparing to welcome you for more than two years.

Registration

Registration begins at noon on Sunday June 10 and closes at 5 pm that afternoon but will be open from 8 am to 5 pm daily to accommodate those arriving midweek. Everyone must register (except 5th & 6th Degree team members who only attend the Degrees). The registration fee is:

Delegate	\$15
Non-delegate who wants a delegate's packet	\$15
Two delegates from the same Grange (2 packets)	\$25
Family of two or more (2 packets)	\$25
Visitor or guest without a delegate's packet	\$5

Every Grange should send two delegates to vote on resolutions that affect State Grange policy. All members are encouraged to attend as visitors for a day or the entire week. This is an opportunity to learn more about the Grange, exchange successful fundraising, membership recruitment, and community service ideas, and have a good time.

Pre-registration is advised to make the line move faster. The Pre-registration form is printed elsewhere in this edition of the Bulletin and is due with payment to the State Grange office in Salem by **Friday, June 1**.

Bring your contest entries (GWA, Lecturer's, and Juniors) to their rooms from noon to 5 pm on Sunday or 9 am to noon on Monday. These rooms are on the second level, but there's an elevator!

Bring your Community Service donations for the South County Community Food Bank to the Necanicum room. This year we are urging donations of necessities not covered by SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), such as toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, and pet food.

No Ticket, No Meal

Meal tickets must be reserved by **June 1**; the Meal Ticket Order form is printed elsewhere in this edition of the Bulletin. The caterer requires a firm headcount in advance, so the only tickets to be sold during the session are those turned in by those who cannot use them.

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Sunday's Kickoff Banquet is an "Indoor Picnic at the Beach." Wear your Hawaiian shirt, meet your fellow Grangers, and relax before the work of the session begins.

Catered on-site banquets have been replaced by luncheons:

Monday:	Foundation Luncheon
Tuesday:	Membership Luncheon
Wednesday:	GWA Luncheon
Thursday:	Officers' Luncheon
Friday:	Youth Luncheon

All members are welcomed to attend the banquet and all luncheons. Luncheons are two hours to allow time for the meal and a program. If your budget or diet doesn't allow you to eat, you can sit in on the program (after the meal is served). By the way, gluten-free meals are available at the same price, but you must request them on your ticket order.

Dinners are "on your own" at one of the many restaurants in walking distance or back at your motel or RV. **No "outside food" is allowed in the Convention Center.** This means no fast food bags or wrappers and no over-sized drink or coffee cups. A coffee vendor will sell coffee drinks before we open each morning. The youth will sell bottled water and packaged snacks.

The Grange Benefits Breakfast is served from 7 to 9 am on Tuesday at Pacific Grange, 90475 Hwy 101, Warrenton, which is 7 miles North of the Convention Center. There may be no such thing as a free lunch, but this is a **free** breakfast.



Pacific Grange, 90475 Hwy 101, Warrenton

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Mark Noah
Master
Oregon State Grange

The Master's Column

I have been pondering over the phrase "Best Practices" as it relates to our Grange work. Anyone who is or has recently been in a corporate setting has heard this term used. According to Wikipedia, "Best practices are used to maintain quality as an alternative to mandatory legislated standards and can be based on self-assessment or benchmarking." The National Grange Digest of Laws provides mandatory legislative standards but there is room for variation on the fine points. For instance, the Digest tells us we are required to open our meetings in full form and includes some specific instructions, to wit: There must be a quorum of 7 members, a flag and bible. But the Digest actually states that the flag may be saluted in place rather than presented on the floor, so which is best? If you have music and officers willing to march, then the flag presentation ceremony is the Best Practice for your Grange, but if your Ceres can't march and you have no musician then saluting the flag in place is your Best Practice. Both are allowed under the Digest of Laws.

It is generally accepted that a hall will be set up with stations in the correct places as described in the 4th Degree Manual. But if you usually have a small crowd at meetings and some members are hard of hearing, a Best Practice for your Grange might be to move the stations much closer together while still maintaining a Grange hall layout. If your hall is upstairs and some members can't climb the stairs, or if the main hall is big and cold and expensive to heat in winter, you may have good reason to meet in smaller quarters like the dining room or a smaller meeting room. If you seat your officers according to the Grange floor layout, even if your group is arranged around a table, and if you open the Grange according to the Digest, salute the flag, follow the order of business and conduct your meeting according to Roberts Rules and the Grange Parliamentary Guide then you have created Best Practices that

suit your own situation and still comply with the Digest. The danger here is in cutting corners. What is the difference between a Grange that condenses its meeting hall down to the size of several tables pushed together, versus one that just 'meets around a table'? The first one is trying to maintain the Best Practices of their Grange, and the second one is in violation of the Digest of Laws. The first one will probably maintain the order and decorum of a Grange meeting and finish its business efficiently, and the second one will probably turn into a long-winded chat-fest that accomplishes little. It so often is true that the right way, though it appears longer, is the quicker and easier way after all. Some Granges are starting to use the 'Alternative Manual' instead of the traditional Subordinate Grange Manual. The Digest gives us this flexibility, and some of our newer members prefer the updated language and titles. I will always prefer the traditional text and officer titles but will fully support any Grange who chooses the Alternative. Actually we are seeing a trend in that people are becoming more interested in the traditional ceremonies and ritual work after they have had a chance to learn more about Grange. The GROW club and friends exemplified the first four degrees at Bellview Grange on Sunday April 15 for a very appreciative crowd, and frankly it was the first time I had been a part of these degrees in a long time so it was a great refresher, reminding me just how interesting and inspiring these ceremonies can be.

What does it mean to be Master (or President) of your Grange? It means you must be dedicated to the pursuit of fair and open dialogue. You must remain impartial at all times so none are intimidated into silence or feel that their vote does not matter. You must allow all members to speak, even if you do not agree with them, as long as decorum is maintained. You must accept the will of the majority and you can't vote (unless by paper ballot). But the position also teaches many things. You get good at keeping order while keeping friends. You learn the ins and outs of parliamentary procedure. You aren't worried about running a meeting in front of a crowd of people. You become a better leader, and a better Granger, and a better public speaker. You learn the truth about a lot of old sayings like 'You can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar'; 'You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink'; 'It's easier to pull a chain than it is to push one'. You figure out that if you can

make whitewashing a fence look like fun, everyone will want in on it. You improve your Grange and yourself. You get far more from Grange than you could ever give back. See you in Seaside. I'll be the relaxed-looking guy in the Hawaiian shirt at 1:30 on Friday!



Death Claims OSG Attorney Don Willner

Don Shelley Willner, 85, passed away March 27 at his home in Trout Lake, Wash. He served 40 years as the Oregon State Grange attorney. He was born in New York City and was graduated from Harvard Law School in 1951 after serving in the Maritime Service and U.S. Army. He practiced law in Washington D.C. but moved to Portland in 1952. His law practice focused on labor, civil rights and environmental issues. In 2010, he was awarded the Pacific Northwest Labor History Association's 'Person of the Year'.

In 1957, he was elected to the Oregon legislature and in 1963 began a 10-year tenure as a state senator. While serving in the legislature, he drafted and promoted the Oregon Scenic Waterways initiative of 1970 and the Oregon Bottle Bill of 1971. He worked on some of the first civil rights laws in Oregon and chaired the Committee on Migratory Labor, helping to improve conditions for migrant workers and fighting for their rights to form a union. He worked with Cesar Chavez and served as lawyer for Colegio Cesar Chavez in Mt. Angel, one of the first Latino colleges. Mr. Willner was an avid tennis player, nationally ranked in men's singles and doubles into his 80s. He carried his tennis racket wherever he traveled. He was buried in his tennis whites. He found great enjoyment in biking and hiking and loved to travel.

"He was a lion of a lawyer," said Nancy Murray, a Portland attorney, who has agreed to work for some of Willner's clients - including the Oregon State Grange. Survivors include his wife, Marjorie Burns; four daughters; three stepsons; a stepdaughter; nine grandchildren and his first wife, Patience Willner.

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Parking

The parking lot next to the Seaside Convention Center is city property. It includes handicapped spaces, but we **cannot reserve parking spots for state officers**. On Friday and Saturday June 15-16, the Muscle and Chrome Car Show will be held in that parking lot. We can use 50 parking places at the church across the street. However, if you can carpool or walk from your lodging on Friday morning, you should plan to do so.

Oregon Coast Photos

Do you have a favorite photo that you've taken of the Oregon Coast, but don't want to enter in the Photography contest, or it's over 2 years old, so not eligible?

Bring it to the Hospitality Desk by noon on Monday June 11. We'll display your photo as a tribute to our beautiful Oregon Coast. We'll award a prize for the photo that gets the most "People's Choice" votes.

Please bring your photo ready to display by having it framed or matted, and having a stand or wire for hanging. Photos should be 5" x 7" or 8" x 10" (not counting the frame or mat). We can create a nice display and appreciate our surroundings, while we're indoors attending the session.

If you have questions regarding this project, contact Teresa Jackson at 503-970-9593. Photos must be picked up by noon on Friday June 15.

Busy Week Planned

If you cannot come to Seaside for the whole week, these daily highlights may help you decide which day(s) to attend.

Sunday, June 10

Ag Tour: This just in – the tour is to Brad Cowan's dairy farm in Astoria to see state-of-the-art equipment. The tour leaves the Convention Center at 10 am and returns at 2 pm.



Worship Service: If you enjoy making a joyful noise come to the Pacific Room at 4:30 for group singing and toe-tapping music lead by Loyce Martinazzi, last year's Talent Contest winner.

Kickoff Banquet: Come to the "Indoor Picnic at the Beach" without the sand, flies, fog, ants, or wind! The fun begins at 6:30 at the American Legion Hall, 1315 Broadway, which is ½ mile from the Convention Center. Have you bought your ticket?

Monday, June 11

Official Opening: The State Officers open the session in the Sixth Degree at 9 am. If you are not a Sixth Degree member, you'll be able to enter when the session is lowered to the Fourth Degree. (On Wednesday evening you can see the opening when you take the 6th Degree.) All other sessions are conducted in the Fourth Degree.

Master's Addresses: Master Mark Noah's delivers his Address and Good of the Order Address Monday morning.

Foundation Luncheon: This is the OSG Foundation's annual meeting. All members are welcome to attend and learn more about the Foundation's work.

Orientation: All delegates are expected to attend from 2 to 3 and learn or be reminded how session committees are to function. Committees meet immediately after the orientation to review and/or amend resolutions, make their recommendations, and maybe write a new resolution.

Tuesday, June 12

Veterans Day: On Tuesday wear red, white and blue to show your support for our veterans. After the complimentary Grange Benefits Breakfast at Pacific Grange, plan to attend the first annual Veterans Committee Conference. Josh Gretz from the Veterans Help Line is the speaker. The Mobile Unit is planned to be parked outside. In the afternoon, brothers and sisters who served in the Armed Forces are recognized.

Election Day: The National Grange Digest specifies that the State Grange officers be elected by the delegates. Since there are no candidates for Executive Committee position #1, nominations will be made from the floor. District #1 consists of Benton, Coos-Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, and Polk Pomonas. The election occurs between 4-6 pm.

Business Begins: State Master Mark Noah expects the first resolution to come to the floor on Tuesday morning.

Membership Luncheon: Co-Directors Cookie and Malcolm Trupp recognize Granges who have had a net membership gain and present membership awards.

Memorial Service: OSG Chaplain Dan LeBrun honors past state officers, directors, and delegates who have gone on before us.

Lecturer's Program: OSG Lecturer Susan Noah's program features the talent contest, Junior Grange talent winners, and the presentation of Honor Grange awards.

Wednesday, June 13

Legislative Conference: Oregon State Representative Debbie Boone, who is on the House Agriculture Committee, discusses issues of concern to the committee.

Junior Degree: Have \$1 ready when you enter the session because after the state officers open in the Fourth Degree at 9 am, the Juniors confer the Junior Degree at 10:15. That dollar pays your Junior dues. If you have red tennis shoes, wear them to show your support for our Juniors. Children from five to 14 learn their parts and practice together only two days. They always remind us how floorwork and presentation of guests should be done.

GWA Luncheon: Gerrie Fuller from the Oregon Foster Parents Association is the speaker. Lots of door prizes are always the highlighted this event.

Tentative Schedule

139th Annual Session
June 10 – June 15, 2012
Seaside Convention Center, Seaside, OR

Saturday, June 9

9:00 am District 3 begin set up – Seaside Convention Center

1:00 pm Golf Tournament – contact Bob Ludi at 503-668-5750
Highlands Golf Course
33260 Highlands Lane
Gearhart, Oregon 97138
Cost: \$28.00
Note: There are no golf carts at this course.

Sunday, June 10

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Agriculture Tour – Ft. Stevens or Ft. Clatsop

11:00 am – Noon Credentials Committee Meeting – Seamist Room

Noon – 5:00 pm Seaside Convention Center – Main Entrance:

- Registration for Delegates, State Officers & Directors, Deputies, State Committees, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and Visitors
- Hospitality – Maps, information, messages, & a Word of the Day
- Junior entries accepted – Junior Room - 2nd level, Seaside Rooms A & B
- GWA entries accepted – GWA Room – 2nd level, Riverview Rooms A & B
- Lecturer's entries accepted – Lecturer's Room – 2nd level, Haystack Rooms 2 & 3
- Community Service food donations accepted – Necanicum Room

Noon – 1:00 pm Rosebud Team Practice – Pacific Room (closed to all but team members)

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm 5th Degree Practice – Pacific Room (closed to all but 5th Degree team members)

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm State Officers' Practice – Pacific Room (closed to all but State Officers)

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm Worship Service – Music lead by Loyce Martinazzi, last year's Talent Contest winner, Pacific Room, Seaside Convention Center

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm Kickoff "Indoor Picnic at the Beach," American Legion Hall, 1315 Broadway St, ½ mile from Convention Center
Map available at Hospitality, Main Entrance of Convention Center
Introduction of State, Youth & Junior Officers
All Members Welcome; Dress code – Hawaiian Shirts

8:30 pm Assignment of Deputies – OSG Gatekeeper, Vernon Herrick

Monday, June 11

7:30 am – 8:30 am Ag Conference – 2nd level, Seahorse Rooms 1 & 2

8:00 am – 5:00 pm Seaside Convention Center – Main Entrance:

- Registration Open
- Hospitality – Maps, information, messages, & a Word of the Day
- Community Service food donations accepted – Necanicum Room

9:00 am – Noon Junior entries accepted – Junior Room – 2nd level, Seaside Rooms A & B
GWA entries accepted – GWA Room – 2nd level, Riverview Rooms A & B
Lecturer's entries accepted – Lecturer's Room - 2nd level, Haystack Rooms 2 & 3
(All entries will close at noon; judging begins at 2:00 pm today)

9:00 am Opening Drill by OSG Officers, Pacific Room (lineup by 8:45)
Opening in the 6th Degree (then lowered to 4th Degree)
Roll call
Adoption of the Official Program

9:30 am Introduction of Session Committee Chairperson Eva Frost
Welcome by Seaside Mayor Don Larson
Oregon State Senator Betsy Johnson
Oregon State Representative, District #32, Debbie Boone
Response by Overseer Claudia Boswell

11:00 am Report of the Division of Labor Committee
Notice of proposed By-Law changes & late resolutions
First Report of Credentials Committee

State Master's Annual Address
Assignment of portions of Annual Address by Division of Labor Committee
State Master's Good of the Order Address
Assignment of portions of Good of the Order Address by Division of Labor Committee
2013 Budget Committee Report
Introduction of Session Committee Chairs

Noon Closing in 4th Degree – OSG Overseer Claudia Boswell

Noon – 2:00 pm OSG Foundation Luncheon – Necanicum Room – Seaside Convention Center
All members welcome with ticket purchased prior to 6/1/2012

2:00 pm All exhibit areas closed for judging

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Orientation: Delegates & Session Committee Chairs – Vickie High, Progress Committee Chair & Marilyn Reiher, Vice Chair, Pacific Room, Seaside Convention Center

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm Session Committee meetings in assigned areas

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Dinner – enjoy the great food in Seaside	3:45 pm – 4:45 pm	Junior Degree Practice – Pacific Room – (closed to all but Junior Degree Team Members)
7:00 pm	2013 State Session Planning Meeting – Bob & Sandi Ludi – Pacific Room round tables	3:45 pm – 5:00 pm	Lecturer's Conference – 2 nd Level, Seahorse Rooms 1 & 2
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Secretary's Conference – 2 nd level, Seahorse rooms 1 & 2	4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Final Election of State Officers – 2 nd Level, Seahorse Rooms 3 & 4 (Delegates only)
7:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Deaf Awareness Conference – 2 nd level, Seahorse rooms 3 & 4	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Dinner – enjoy the great food in Seaside
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Pomona Masters' Conference – Pacific Room round tables	7:30 pm	Lecturer's Program (Talent Contest) – Pacific Room, Seaside Convention Center Presentation of Honor Grange Awards Announce Winners from Talent Contest Participants line up for pictures
	<u>Tuesday, June 12</u>		<u>Wednesday, June 13</u>
	Red/White/Blue Day to Honor our Veterans		Red Tennis Shoe Day to Honor our Juniors
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Grange Benefits Breakfast – Complimentary– Pacific Grange Hall (Ask Hospitality Desk for map and directions)	7:30 am – 8:30 am	Legislative Conference featuring State Representative Debbie Boone, who is on the House Agriculture Committee – 2 nd Level, Seahorse Rooms 1 & 2
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Seaside Convention Center – Main Entrance:	8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Seaside Convention Center – Main Entrance:
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8:00 am – 9:30 am	Memorial Team Practice – Dan LeBrun, OSG Chaplain – Pacific Room	9:00 am	Junior password or \$1 Junior Degree ticket required for entry Opening Drill by OSG Officers, Pacific Room (Lineup at 8:45) Opening in 4 th Degree Roll Call Reading and adopting Tuesday's Journal Session at ease during Junior Degree
10:00 am	Opening Drill by OSG Officers, Pacific Room (lineup by 9:45) Opening in 4 th Degree Roll Call Reading and adopting Monday's Journal	10:15 am	Junior Degree – Pacific Room, Seaside Convention Center Participants line up for pictures Session Called to Order
	Grange Insurance Association Board President – D. Thomas McKern OSG Attorney – Nancy Murray Final Preferential Election Report - Secretary Nominations for Executive Committee #1 District #1 consists of: Benton, Coos-Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, & Polk Pomonas	Noon	Closing in the 4 th Degree – OSG Deputy, John Knox
Noon	Recess	Noon – 2:00 pm	GWA Luncheon featuring Gerrie Fuller from the Oregon Foster Parents Association – Necanicum Room Seaside Convention Center All members welcome with ticket purchased prior to 6/1/2012
Noon – 2:00 pm	Membership Luncheon – Necanicum Room – Seaside Convention Center All members welcome with ticket purchased prior to 6/1/2012	2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Youth Workshop, "Public Speaking" – 2 nd Level, Riverview Room C
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Session Reconvenes, Pacific Room	2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Community Service Conference – 2 nd Level, Seahorse Rooms 1 & 2
	Memorial Service – Dan Le Brun, OSG Chaplain Tribute to Grange Veterans, Jim Clute for Veterans Committee Participants line up for pictures	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Sixth Degree Practice – Pacific Room (closed to all but OSG Officers)
3:30 pm	Closing in 4 th Degree – Washington-Yamhill Pomona Master, Marilyn Reiher		





Phyllis A Wilson, OSG Secretary

The Secretary's Column

It's time for our annual State Session!! If you are headed for Seaside, have you started packing? Drag out those golf clubs for the Saturday tournament, Hawaiian shirts for the Sunday "kickoff" banquet, red/white & blue items for Tuesday and red tennis shoes for the juniors. And don't forget to bring extra money to buy LOTS of tickets for the Goodie Baskets. This year's host committee – District # 3 – has been discussing, planning, organizing, asking questions, enlisting volunteers, envisioning, making trips to Seaside...and asking more questions for months and months. Co-chair Eva Frost told the Executive Committee that she does not want any last minute problems so has kept her committee "standing at attention" so it can present the most-organized state session ever!! One of her most dedicated helpers has been Marilyn Reiher who has provided stories for the Bulletins and web page since last summer. Everyone attending State Session will be impressed with the work of the host committee and will have an exciting time in Seaside.

IRS Electronic Postcard Filing

The time frame to file was between May 1 and May 15. If your Grange did not file, you can still do so. The filing will be late but a spokesperson for the IRS told me that the filing can still be done after May 15. Remember, though, if your Grange does not file for three consecutive years, your Grange WILL lose its tax exempt status.

Quarterly Reports

There is a line (Line I) on the quarterly report that requires a \$1.00 fee for each new member gained by initiation, obligation or welcoming. This fee is being overlooked by many Granges. The report shows new members gained but there is no fee added to the total due on the report. Please remember that there is a \$5.00 fee to be charged to any

new member and that \$1.00 of this fee is to be sent to OSG. (Just a note.....many Granges are still charging only \$3.00 for this fee even though the fee was raised to \$5.00 several years ago.) Secretary's Conference

I have a date with all secretaries between 7 and 8 p.m. Monday at State Session. Even if you are not a secretary, you are invited. If there is something you want discussed, please contact me early. I can be reached at my home: 541-572-4117 or by calling the state office at: 503-316-0106 and choosing option 3. If I am not in the office when you call, the phone system will relay your message to me at my home in Myrtle Point. Looking forward to meeting and greeting all of you! National Grange Brochures

National Grange has published a variety of outstanding brochures for us. Our National Grange rep will be Amanda Leigh Brozana. She serves as the Communications Director. You will enjoy meeting her. I am not sure.....but I think she is responsible for the professionalism shown on these new brochures. There will be samples on display at State Session.

Keep On Grangin' and Follow the Light to Seaside!

Phyllis A Wilson, OSG Secretary

Final Preferential Election Results

The election board met at the state office on Tuesday, May 08, to count the ballots for state officers. There were only 109 certified reports returned to the office and out of these 109 reports, 18 were rejected because of a variety of reasons.

Master

Susan Noah 496
Malcolm Trupp 414

Overseer

Celia Luttrell 861

Lecturer

Kendell Phillips 844

Steward

Ed Andersen 827

Assistant Steward

Phil Van Buren 866

Lady Assistant Steward

Louise Holst 866

Chaplain

Peggy Fine 567
Dan Le Brun 338

Treasurer

Sarah Kingsborough 464
Paula Herrick 436

Secretary

Phyllis Wilson 876

Gatekeeper

Orrin Schnetzky 843

Ceres

Liz Dehne 847

Pomona

Oiana Helm 853

Flora

Cookie Trupp 866

Executive Comm #1

No Candidate

Executive Comm #2

Don Sether 824

Executive Comm #3

Roger Wilson 499
Dean High 374



John Fine, Director Agriculture Committee Oregon State Grange

Agriculture Committee Article

The Agriculture Committee participated in the Oregon FFA Association annual convention held this year in Hermiston, Oregon. Many of the over 2500 FFA members and guests visited the Grange booth to participate in the "Duck Pond" and sign up for our drawing. There are few other opportunities for the Grange to promote the organization to potential members than the FFA convention. A special appreciation needs to be extended to Gail and Cole Wilson, Patti Bohms and Walt Forsea for dedicating time to assist with the Grange booth as well as Paula Herrick for the beautiful gift baskets we gave away at our drawing. We are looking forward to the next convention in Corvallis, Oregon on the Oregon State University campus.

I hope all are planning to attend the Agriculture tour on Sunday at the annual session in Seaside. We are tentatively scheduled to visit Fort Stevens and Fort Clatsop. Both of these sites have historical significance to Oregon and should be of interest to all. I have also been attempting to contact the Agricultural Extension Agent serving Clatsop County to determine if there is any other relative site we should visit. If there are any change in plans, you will know at the start of the tour but I am sure you will enjoy what has already been planned.

The Ag. conference on Monday morning will focus on the predator issue facing our livestock producers. The loss of profitability as a result of the killing of livestock by coyotes, cougars or wolves is now and will continue to markedly impact this industry.

John Fine, Director Agriculture Committee Oregon State Grange

Past State Officers and Directors

Past State Officers and Directors will be honored as always, but this year we will do so on **Thursday** at 2 pm (rather than on Tuesday as in previous years).

Past State Officers, who usually go off-site for lunch, are encouraged to attend the **Thursday Officers' Luncheon**. You will not have to leave the building. You will have your own table. You need to order your luncheon ticket by **June 1** (see 2012 OSG State Session Meal Ticket Order Form in this issue).





PRE-REGISTRATION
OREGON STATE GRANGE ANNUAL SESSION
June 10, 2012 – June 15, 2012



Please complete the form below and mail by **Friday, June 1, 2012**, along with your **check** to Oregon State Grange, 643 Union St NE, Salem OR 97301. (This needs to be completed **in addition** to your meal ticket order form.)

PLEASE PRINT NAME AS IT SHOULD APPEAR ON NAME TAG

Name: _____ # _____
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(If needed additional names can be added on back of form)

Phone _____ Email _____

Delegate Registration Fees:
\$25.00 = 2 Delegates/1 Grange or Pomona Includes 2 State Session packets \$ _____
\$15.00 = 1 Delegate/1 Grange or Pomona Includes 1 State Session packet \$ _____

Non-Delegate Member Fees:
\$25.00 = *Family (2 or more) Includes 2 State Session packets \$ _____
 * **Family Definition:** A family shall consist of a husband, wife and their dependents or a single person and their dependents. Dependents are defined as children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, foster, adopted or step-children under the age of 23, who live as a member of the same household or in absence due to illness, education or military service. Legal dependents of any age shall be considered part of their legal guardian's family.
\$15.00 = Individual Sub/Comm Member (includes Youth) \$ _____
 Includes 1 State Session packet

Member / Visitor / Guest: \$ **5.00** = No State Session packet (includes Youth) \$ _____
Other: \$ **10.00** = State Session packet only \$ _____

If taking 5th and/or 6th Degree, please provide: 5th Degree _____ 6th Degree _____

Name _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____
(If needed additional names can be added on back of form)

\$ **2.00** = 5th Degree Fee (for each candidate) \$2 x _____ = \$ _____
 \$ **5.00** = 6th Degree Fee (for each candidate) \$5 x _____ = \$ _____

Persons attending events open to the public \$ _____ N/C
 Members participating in the 5th or 6th Degree Teams \$ _____ N/C
 Juniors \$ _____ N/C
 Total remitted: \$ _____

**“Follow the Light to Seaside” Seaside Convention Center
 Hosted by District #3**



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Do your summer plans include the Log Cabin?

Plans are well underway for the Oregon State Grange members to open the doors of the Log Cabin to the public attending the Oregon State Fair.

This year we are trying to build on some of the changes we implemented last year and bring in one or two new displays to keep things fresh and interesting for the public visiting the log cabin. As shared in the last bulletin ...

We are looking for members with small businesses (including home businesses) to forward 24 of their business cards for the display "We are not all farmers anymore". Grangers come from all walks of life and have broad interests.

To keep the display 'fashions may come and go but the grange is always in style' we need styles of fashion from different era's. If you have outfit you could loan, please contact Cat at cat.kitty.thom@gmail.com or call the Oregon State Grange with details. We will have a large screen with power point presentations playing on various topics throughout the fair. It provides a touch of the 21st century and shows the public we are keeping up with the times.

We are working on a request from the Oregon Fair team. They wish to see an exhibit on the history of the log cabin at the State Fair. Catherine and Wayne Johnston provide some pictures last year that will be used in

addition to other resources to tell that story.

The State Fair team is open to discussion that will be a geo-caching activity the day the youth host the log cabin. Geo-caching is an interest of many of our youth and an activity performed at different events.

Looking for a way to make the junior grangers more visible and let young families know of the opportunities the Grange affords all family members, we are considering using the coloring book "The Grange Story: Finding My Place".

Last year we had the Log Cabins' hours of daily operation listed in the daily fair program which increased our visibility. We can also list daily demonstrations in the program. If any granger has a talent or skill that they would like to share, please contact Cat with details or call the Oregon State Grange office. Last year grangers spun wool and gave a demonstration on lavender. The demonstration, if confirmed early enough, will be included in the fair program (great advertisement for the granger if it is a business for them). We will also have daily placards that provide the demonstration times, the demonstration and who is providing the demonstration (another win as your name is visible the entire day in the log cabin to all who visit).

Please plan to make your Log Cabin a destination this year during the State Fair.

Child care

Do you have a child under the age of 5 or a child of Junior age who will not be participating in the Junior program? District #3 has a certified childcare provider available at these times:

- Sunday during the Worship Service
- Monday morning
- Tuesday morning, afternoon, and during Lecturer's Program
- Wednesday morning and during 5th & 6th Degrees
- Thursday morning, afternoon, and evening
- Friday morning, afternoon, and evening

Pre-notification is required if you need child care during conferences, session committee meetings, and/or youth practices. Contact Evelyn Hudson at twins2@opusnet.com or 503-543-7720 to schedule. The Oregon State Grange pays for some babysitting cost, but donations will be appreciated.

FOOD FOR THE BODY

Underground Ham Casserole
Ingredients for first layer:

- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 4 cups cubed ham

Ingredients for second layer:

- 2 cups Velveeta cheese
- 2 cups cream of mushroom soup
- 1 1/2 cups milk

Ingredients for third layer:

- 4 quarts mashed potatoes
- 1 pint sour cream
- Bacon

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Melt butter in a large roasting pan. Stir in Worcestershire sauce, onion, and ham. Stir together cheese, soup, and milk and add to butter mix. Blend together potatoes and sour cream and add to pan. Put strips of bacon on the top and bake for 1-1 1/2 hours.

Miriam Miller

2012 OSG State Session Meal Ticket Order Form

To lower meal costs, banquets will be **luncheons** (see story on page 1). We must give the caterer a head count prior to the session. Therefore, you must **reserve your meal tickets no later than JUNE 1. Meal tickets will NOT be sold at the convention!**

Meal	Menu	Day	Quantity	Price Each	Total
Kickoff "Indoor Picnic at the Beach"	Ham, baked beans, potato salad, green salad, dessert, beverage	Sunday		Adult \$11.00 12 & under \$ 7.50	
Foundation Luncheon	Soup & Salad Bar, clam chowder & vegetable, roll, green salad with toppings, dessert, beverage	Monday		Adult \$ 9.50 12 & under \$ 6.50	
Membership Luncheon	Oven Fried Chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetables, salad, roll, dessert, beverage	Tuesday		Adult \$12.50 12 & under \$ 8.50	
GWA Luncheon	Beef Stroganoff w/egg noodles, vegetable, salad, roll, dessert, beverage	Wednesday		Adult \$10.50 12 & under \$ 7.00	
Officers' Luncheon* (Open to all)	Hamburger / hot dog, potato salad, baked beans, chips, dessert, beverage	Thursday		Adult \$ 9.50 12 & under \$ 6.50	
Youth Luncheon	Beef Stew w/buttermilk biscuit, fruit salad, dessert, beverage	Friday		Adult \$ 7.00 12 & under \$ 5.00	

* At Officers' Luncheon state officers eat with their Junior & Youth counterparts; Past state officers eat together; Delegates & visitors sit with others who hold the same office

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Name of Granger: _____

Grange: _____

Personal Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Please make check payable to: 2012 State Grange Session Committee

Mail form and check to:
Doris Thurston
10251 SW River Bend Rd,
McMinnville, OR 97128

The caterer will prepare gluten free or other special diet foods if ordered ahead of time. The price will likely be higher than the listed price for that luncheon. Contact Eva Frost at twins2@opusnet.com or 503-543-7720.

The Chaplain's Report

WELL HIDDEN

For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion:

in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

Psalm 27:5

Bernice had just hung the last towel on the clothesline when her daughter, Katie, came out of the barn carrying an orange and white striped cat.

"I see you found Callie," Bernice said as Katie came near. "I haven't seen her around for several days and figured she'd gone off somewhere to have her kittens."

Katie nodded. "Papa found Callie and six babies wedged between the horse stall box and the outside wall, and it's such a tight fit that poor Callie has to lie on her back to nurse them."

"So what's your dad doing about it, and how come you're holding Callie?"

"Papa fixed her a nice bed in the hay, and he's putting the kittens there right now." Katie stroked the cat's ears. "I brought Callie outside so she wouldn't get upset when Papa moved them."

"I hope it works." Bernice picked up her laundry basket. "I'll call you when it's time to set the table for lunch."

Some time later, as Bernice was slicing bread for sandwiches and Katie was setting the table, Bernice's husband came into the house, shaking his head.

"What's wrong,, Abe?" Bernice asked with concern. "You look frustrated."

"That silly cat of ours won't stay in the nest of hay I made for her and the kittens." He shook his head. "As soon as I turned my back, she took her babies right back to that narrow place in the horse's stall."

"Maybe Callie thinks her little ones are better off there," Bernice said. "After the last batch of kittens got trampled by the horse, she's probably decided that the best way to protect her little family is to keep them well hidden."

Abe smiled and kissed his wife and daughter. "I guess she's just trying to take care of them, like we do with our little ones and God does with us."

Just as a mother cat cares for and protects her young, or as we do with our children, our loving heavenly Father watches out for us. We are His children, and when we are in danger, God

hides us in the cleft of the rock, under His wing, and in the shadow of His hand.

"Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance" (Psalm 32:7).

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

When the world around you is crumbling, God is the rock on which you can stand. I have been to many granges and when they drape the charter for a loved one often they are not sure what to do. Here is a sample.

CANDLE

"The lighted candle is symbolic of the wonderful light of hope. May this candle give to each of us a glimpse of those higher planes of being, where God alone is the Life and Light of every Living thing. With

His care and guidance, the Flame of Life can never be extinguished. He is

the Light of the World, and only in His name can we destroy the darkness all

about us. Out of the darkness comes Eternal Light, out of chaos comes

Peace, and truth is God's loving care.

OPENING PRAYER

Once more our fraternal circle has been broken, but the Faith we practice and teach is our sustaining arm in this hour of mourning. We weep at the loss we have suffered in our earthly fellowship, yet not as those who are without Hope. All the teachings of Nature are our assurance, and the promise of the Master is our refuge—"Because I live, ye shall live also."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which art is heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen

TELL ABOUT THE PERSONS' LIFE

'THE BROKEN CHAIN'

We little knew that morning, that God was going to call your name In life we loved you dearly, In death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone: For part of us went with you, the day God called you home You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide; And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side. Our family

chain is broken, and nothing seems the same; But as God call us one by one, the chain will link again.

CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty God, we give Thee thanks for the good examples of all these, thy servants, who, having finished their course in Faith, do now rest from their labors. Imbue us all with the spirit of service and may each new reminder of the uncertainty of this earthly life inspire us to greater zeal and to renewed endeavor; for soon cometh the end of the day when man's work is done. And now may the peace which passeth all understanding, the ministry of the Eternal Comforter, and the blessing of the Great Master Above, abide with us all, now and forevermore. Amen

I hope that this "Memorial Service for Drapping the Charter" can help

Daniel W. Le Brun



Susan Noah
State Lecturer

The Lecturer's Report

The Spring Lecturer's conferences are completed and I want to thank all who participated and especially thank my committee for their work in putting them together. Also thanks to Claudia Boswell and Kendell Phillips for their help in districts 1 and 6.

I heard a lot of good comments from those attending regarding the content and the extra boost they received from exchanging ideas with each other. I can't say enough about how important it is for all of us to share our triumphs and our disappointments in planning and carrying out our programs. I received quite a lot of program information to pass along at this state session, and if anyone else would like to share some of their programs please feel free to send along to me and I will make sure it is included in the notebook we hand out at the State Session Lecturer's conference, and yes, this year I plan on having quite a few more to hand out, so there should be enough to go around!

Also, don't forget the Talent Contest – entries should be in to me by June 1st. They can be found online at the OSG website and were also recently mailed to your secretary. Remember the overall winner will receive 3 nights at the National Convention in Boise, Idaho as well as their travel expenses to perform in the "Night of Excellence". This is a wonderful way to attend the National Grange session and with it being so close this year there should be quite a "rooting section" for our representative.

This has been a great two years serving as your State Lecturer. As always I have enjoyed traveling around the state and meeting new friends, as well as renewing old friendships. This job is always a pleasure and I will certainly miss it. We still have a few surprises in store for you at Seaside though, so come and plan to have a good time with your friends and family.

I want to leave you with a short piece that I found on a magnet, that is of course dog related. It's called

"Dogilosophy"

Listen more than you speak
Always act like you have a purpose
Appreciate a simple life
Give more than you receive
Be happy with what you have
Be a Best Friend

See you in Seaside!
Fraternally
Susan Noah
State Lecturer

GWA Report

Dear Grange Brothers and Sisters WOW! It's the middles of April and going fast. Hopefully you all have your entries almost ready for our State Session.

This year I am asking that you be sure and pick up your entries before 5:00 on Friday. This will make it so much easier for the Ladies to take care of you and for us to get our room cleared to go home.

John and Peggy Fine have asked me to decorate the Christmas tree, for Oregon, at National Grange Session in Boise, Idaho. The theme is all about our state. So, if you have a decoration or would like to make one for the tree, please bring it to me at Seaside. I am making a garland of Hazelnuts and silver beads. (an example of what I mean) Along with miniature tractors, etc. bunches of grapes and pears. These are all crops and equipment that we use in Oregon.

I'm sure you have the chosen Log Cabin pattern for the quilt block for the National Lecturers Contest. Next year it will be a different Log Cabin pattern and a different season color. Keep that in mind. This will continue on for 4 years.

I so look forward to seeing all of you at Seaside.

Stay safe and keep smiling.
Fraternally,
Beverly Doescher
OSG GWA Director



Kendell W. & Tammie Phillips
Co-Directors, Community Service

Community Service Report

For over 10 years now, we have been conducting food drives at each of our State Sessions and then donating that food to the local food bank where we are meeting. This tradition started, we believe, when we met in Clackamas County at West Linn in 1998.

Since that very first drive, we have collected over 60,000 pounds of food for the needy. Only in recent years have we begun to donate money in earnest along with the cans of food, and it is that money we wish to talk about here. One of the most urgent needs among the needy when they go to a food bank is for paper products and non-food items such as diapers (if they have young children). Depending on their circumstances, if a family is receiving "Food Stamps", those funds received in their monthly allotment do not include provisions for purchasing toilet paper, diapers, or other non-food products for their family. The money we donate at our food drive helps that food bank purchase more food or the needed non-food products that are people needs. When they use the money to buy food, they usually can purchase from the Oregon Food Bank in Portland or other suppliers using a ratio previously set up by the organization. We often hear things like "One dollar will buy an additional 12 pounds of food" or something similar. What that means is that they are paying the shipping costs of the Oregon Food Bank (who never charge for the food they give away) that are incurred during processing and shipping of the food through their distribution network. When I (Ken Phillips) was a VISTA volunteer in 1983-4, I was in charge of creating the Josephine County Food Bank and its distribution system of participating local food banks. Back then, shipping was a big part of our expenses and we always had to pass on our costs onto the recipient food bank. It was a nominal fee back then, but now with high gas and diesel costs, it is much higher. It is these shipping costs that food banks have to pay to receive food from the Oregon Food Bank, based on a ratio determined upon by the Oregon Food Bank. For the South County Community Food Bank, that rate is \$1.00/ 5.55 Lbs. So, when your Grange brings up the discussion on what how much food or an amount to donate this year to the food drive, please remember these extenuating circumstances? Any amount will be

greatly appreciated by them in Seaside. All donations are tax-deductible as they are a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization.

Fraternally Submitted,
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Malcolm and Cookie Trupp
Oregon State Grange Membership Co-Directors

Membership Report

The Oregon State Grange Annual Session is just ahead. We will be having our Membership Luncheon on Tuesday. We encourage you to purchase a luncheon ticket no later than the June 1 deadline. We will be handing out certificates to the Granges who had an increase in membership. During the calendar year 2011, we had **46 Granges** who increased their membership.

At this year's session, we will be maintaining a membership table with ideas available to help you increase your Grange membership. The National Grange has updated and changed the look of many of their membership materials and we plan to have examples on display.

We continue to encourage Granges to make a movie of their activities during the year and we will have several examples on display at the membership table. We will have large and small coffee mugs at the table for purchase and remember that coffee or tea always tastes better in a Grange mug. We also have an assortment of puzzle piece pins that represent the many talents that Members contribute to the success of the Grange. We are all part of the Grange. These puzzle pieces also portray the four areas we have been stressing why people join the Grange, which are: **Fellowship, Community, Service, and Leadership.**

One of the important features we stressed at the recent Grange Growth Summit we held at Fern Prairie Grange is our Attitude. What is the *Altitude of your Attitude?* This is very important when recruiting new members to your Grange.

Fraternally,
Malcolm and Cookie Trupp
Oregon State Grange Membership Co-Directors
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Peggy Fine, Liz Dehne, Co-Directors
Oregon State Jr. Grange Program



Jr. Grange Committee

I can't believe it has been almost a year since last State Session. Our Committee has been very busy planning a productive and fun program for our Juniors. However, this year has come with a great deal of challenges and I hope that it will give us all pause for how we think about the young in our organization.

I have always felt the most pride in our state as we have visited other state conventions because Oregon does some things so much better than anyone else. It's not the ritual, it's not the way we make decisions on issues, and it's not the food or even the fellowship. All states do the same things at their session regardless if they accomplish their goals a little differently than we do. No, the thing Oregon does better is the absolute inclusion in the Jr. and Youth Programs at the session. Many other states have their session during the school year. Few if any young people attend state session because of the conflict of education and the annual session. Because of the early date of session this year, we are looking at limited numbers of young people at our Jr. Grange and may not even be able to run the program let alone confer the Jr. Degree which is a highlight for so many of our members. Most of all, the youth programs allow for a seamless transition from Jr. to Youth to Community to State and even National levels of involvement. How many times I have heard Grange members complaining about how old and how tired they are. We can only become a young organization by ensuring that we have set a priority to include the young – their participation, their ideas and their enthusiasm. In the future I would hope that all members from all the districts, the State Executive Committee and the State Master take a very close look at the dates so we can ensure the future of the Grange.

At this point we only have 7 children signed up to participate in the Jr. Grange Program. I would hope that parents and grandparents reading this would encourage their children, grandchildren, friend's children to come and participate at this year's state session and would e-mail either Liz or myself so that we can plan accordingly.

We will be selling toffee candy again this year raising money for Samaritan's Purse. It was a great success last year with over \$500 being sent to purchase goats, ducks, chicks and food for greatly deprived children. We also ask that all community Granges bring bottles or cans for the cash deposit return or cash in the bottles and cans and bring the money that will also be used for this community/worldwide service project.

We encourage all the kids to participate in the craft entries that were outlined in earlier Bulletin articles and to participate in the talent contest – a fun time for both children and adults.

One of the changes for this year I wish to reiterate is that registration for all Jr.s will begin at noon on Sunday in the Jr. Room. Please download the permission slip and officer application forms from the Oregon State Grange website at orange.org and have them ready. There have been quite a few changes in the permission slip and you and your child will need to read carefully. A final and complete Jr. Grange Schedule will be available at that time for you to have. **ALL** adults will be required to have applied for and received a background check through the Oregon State Police specifically for the Oregon State Grange to work with the Jr. s. No Exceptions. This policy was adopted by both National and Oregon State Granges several years ago and will be strictly enforced for the sake and safety of all our children.

Our highlights for the children participating in the program will be a trip to Fort Clatsop and, of course, our annual swimming event.

Our whole committee looks forward to working with you and your children to help develop our next generation of Grangers. See you in June.

Fraternally,
Peggy Fine, Co-Director
Oregon State Jr. Grange Program



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

73rd Annual Session of the Oregon State Junior Grange

June 10 – June 15
Seaside Convention Center
Seaside, Oregon

Junior Room-2nd level Seaside Rooms A & B

ALL CHILDREN ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHEN JUNIOR GRANGE IS NOT IN SESSION. It is requested that Juniors not bring electronic devices to session to minimize distractions. This includes phones and cameras. They also DO NOT need to have money with them as we will provide them with snacks/refreshments. If the Junior has a special dietary need, let us know and we will accommodate. On Field Trip day it will be appropriate for them to have some spending cash as their guardian deems correct and proportional for the day's activities.

SUNDAY, June 10

Noon 5 pm Junior projects and craft entries accepted
Sign up for the Talent Contest

Noon - 3 pm All Juniors register in the Junior Room. All forms must be properly completed for Juniors to participate. Juniors do not pay registration fee but **must register** to participate.

4 pm Pick up your child(ren) no later than 4:15

4:30-5:30 pm Worship Service – Pacific Room, Seaside Convention Center

6:30-8:30pm Kickoff Banquet – American Legion Hall, 1315 Broadway St., ½ mile from Convention Center
Junior Officers to attend - Hawaiian shirt or nice attire (pick up your dinner ticket from Liz)

MONDAY, June 11

8:45 am Junior Room opens

9 - noon Junior Entries accepted; all Talent entries must be registered

9 am Welcome & Introduction of Officers/Get Acquainted

10 am Installation of Officers by the Youth Team
Dress nicely (Sunday dress)

10:15 am Practice Degree for officers
Special craft activity for non-officers

10:45 am Snacks

Noon Lunch; Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:10

1:45 pm Projects and craft judging

1:50 pm Junior Room opens

2 pm Session reconvenes
Officers practice Degree
Continue with special crafts or games for non-officers

3 pm Snacks and Story Hour/Activities

5 pm Close session; Pick your child(ren) up no later than 5:10

TUESDAY, June 12

8:45 am Junior Room opens

9 am Open Junior Session
Participants practice for the Talent Show
All other Juniors sit quietly and watch the practice

10:30 am Snacks

11 am Junior Talent Contest – in Junior Room (Judges: Cookie Trupp, Wendell Austin, Linda Wetzell)

Noon Pick-up your Juniors ASAP

1:45 pm Junior Room opens
Open activities

3 pm Snacks and/or Story Hour

3:45 pm Session closes; please pick up your children except officers.

3:45-4:45 pm Junior Officers to Pacific Room for Degree practice

7:30 pm Lecturer's Program
All Junior Talent Show winners to the Pacific Room, Seaside Convention Center

WEDNESDAY, June 13

8:45 am Junior Room opens

9:15 am Group pictures: Officers and all Juniors

10:15 am Open Junior Grange in Pacific Room
Conferral of Junior Degree
State Junior Directors' Report

Noon Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:15

1:50 pm Junior Room opens

2-5:30 pm Open activities

5:45 pm Break for dinner; pick your child(ren) up no later than 6 pm

7:30 pm Junior Room opens
Movie, games, story hour
View Rosebud Drill; join family at close of 6th Degree for ice cream social

THURSDAY, June 14

8:45 am Junior Room opens

10 am Leave for Fort Clatsop/Astoria

4 pm Return from field trip
Free time
Pick-up your Juniors no later than 5:10

5-7 pm Dinner on your own

6:50 pm Junior Room opens
Games & movies until main session ends; Bring blankets & pillows, if wanted. After the session please pick your child(ren) ASAP.

FRIDAY, June 15

9 am Youth open State Session
All Juniors to Pacific Room to observe the Opening Drill

9:45 am Junior Room opens as soon as State Session
Opening Drill and roll call is complete
Open activities

11 am Pick up your children up no later than 11:15

1 pm Leave for swimming

3 pm Return from Swimming
Pick up your Juniors no later than 5:10

5-7 pm Dinner on your own

6:45 pm-? Junior Room opens
Age appropriate movies until session closes

LANE COUNTY FAIR-2012

The Lane County Fair will be August 15-19 in Eugene, Oregon at the Fairgrounds. **August 15th is Grange Day.** Grangers can get in at a reduced rate by presenting the coupon below at the ticket booth when purchasing tickets. This is good only on Wednesday, August 15th. Copies of the coupon will not be acceptable. Please cut the coupon out of the Grange Bulletin and save it for August 15th.



On Grange Day the Lane Pomona Grange and the Lane County Fair will sponsor a Veggie & Fruit Dress Up Contest. All contestants (age 10 years and younger only) who have a Dressed Up Veggie or Fruit will get in FREE up to 1:00 p.m. on **Grange Day**.

Please note that all entries will remain the property of the Fair until after the close of fair on Sunday, August 19th at 8:00 p.m. Entries will NOT be allowed to be removed until after that time. If you do not wish to pick it up after the close of Fair, you may return on Monday, August 20th, between noon and 6:00 p.m. and pick it up then.

Contest Rules

- A. Contestants must be 10 years or younger. One entry per person. Contestant will get in FREE on Wednesday until 1:00 pm if they bring in a dressed up fruit or vegetable. After 1:00 p.m., you must purchase a ticket.
- B. The Contestants will be divided into Three Categories according to age:
Category 1: 2, 3, and 4
Category 2: 5, 6, and 7
Category 3: 8, 9, and 10
- C. The entries must be submitted between 11:00 am and 2:00 p.m. (however, you must be through the gate by 1:00 p.m. in order to get in free) on Wednesday, August 15th.
- D. The entries must be submitted at the Grange area inside of Expo 1 (the building west of the south Entrance to the Fair.)
- E. The judging will be conducted by three Pomona Grange members.
- F. The Judging will be based on such attributes as originality, imagination, presentation, and appearance.
- G. Winners will be posted Wednesday, August 15th by 3:30 p.m. in the Grange area.
- H. The top three winners in each category will receive the following:

First Place Winners: \$25 plus a season pass to the Fair.
Second Place Winners: \$15 plus a two day pass to the Fair.
Third Place Winners: \$10 plus a one day pass to the Fair.

Each entry will receive a Participation Ribbon and several Honorable Mention Ribbons will be given out in each category.

Please come join us and bring your Dressed Up Veggie or Fruit. Cookies, punch, and coffee will be provided.

Malcolm Trupp
Lane County Fair
Grange Superintendent

Legislative Report By Jim Welsh



2012 Legislative Session

Good Legislation Passed

Tax Credit for Wolf Predation - HB 4005 Passed

Rep. Bob Jenson introduced HB 4005 in order to establish a refundable credit against income taxes compensating for livestock killed by wolves. This bill passed both the House and Senate with a very large bi-partisan favorable vote, and signed by the Governor. The livestock industry is grateful for the continued support from Legislators interested in helping alleviate the cost of wolf predation in Oregon.

HB 4006 - Consultation and Coordination Required if Species Listed Passed

HB 4006 specifies that before State Fish and Wildlife Commission makes determination that a species is threatened or endangered the Commission shall also consult and coordinate with private landowners, affected cities, affected counties and affected local service districts. This identical legislation was introduced in 2011 by Judge Grasty from Harney County and has received a large amount of support, especially in the House. OCA supported this legislation in 2011 and has continued helping pass this legislation in the February Session. HB 4006 passed the House with all but four yea votes.

SB 1582 - Wetlands Delineation Changes Passed

Sen. Morse and Rep. Olson introduced the bill to address

certain difficulties property owners have with wetland delineations. The bill in no way lessens the intent to preserve wetlands, but it recognizes that interpretations of what are and are not wetlands may be legitimately disputed. Presently, the Division of State Lands provides the land owner two options. One is to file a complaint through Administrative Law and the other is to file a complaint in Circuit Court. SB 1582 offers the land owner a third option to request binding arbitration that requires the arbitrators to be qualified, independent scientists. The landowner chooses one, DSL chooses one, and the two choose a third. There are prescriptive time lines for the process and the cost is shared equally between DSL and the land owner. A second

feature of the bill is that certified wetland delineations may be extended for another five years when there has been no change of conditions, and a third feature of the bill is to clarify that the Division of State Lands must comport with the 1987 U.S. Corps of Engineers Manual and any subsequent guidelines that are issued. If State law exceeds the requirements of federal law then Oregon's standards will be the same as federal standards.

HB 4045 – Firearm CHL Information Protection Passed

HB 4045 prohibits a public body from disclosing identifying information of a person who applies for, or currently holds a CHL. The bill provides exceptions based on certain legal circumstances or if the CHL holder consents to the disclosure in writing. Overall the bill provides added protection for CHL holders and it passed 24-5 in the Senate and 54-6 in the House

Good Legislation Stopped

HB 4158 - OCA Wolf Legislation Failed - Not Given Hearing in Senate

On February 17 HB 4158 (Called the Kill Bill) passed the House with a vote of 42 yes and 15 no. The bill was finally sent to Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee (Chaired by Sen. Dingfelder) where it was used as trading stock for SB 1511 (Ecosystem Services) and Defenders of Wildlife amendments. Sen. Dingfelder offered to send the bill to Senate Rules Committee if the Oregon Cattlemen's Association would stay neutral on SB 1511 and agree to work with DOW on amendments to HB 4158. The DOW amendments would drastically change the Oregon Wolf Conservation and Management Plan by placing unnecessary language in statute, and SB 1511 would involve OCA in a bill that they and the Ag. and N.R. community could not support. OCA had enough votes promised in the Senate to pass HB 4158 in the engrossed version, and it is very disturbing that one Committee Chairperson with the help of the Senate President could stop much needed Legislation that was written by a member of the Department of Justice and a member of the Legislative Counsel. Furthermore, it is equally disturbing to know that the Department of Fish & Wildlife actually needed this bill and that the Governor would have probably signed it. The only thing that can now be said is that this is an example of politics gone wrong.

Pilot Program for Hunting and Pursuing Cougars Stopped

HB 4119 requires State Department of Fish and Wildlife to recommend rules to State Fish and Wildlife Commission regarding creation of a pilot program that allows persons to use dogs to hunt or pursue cougars. OCA has provided support for this proposal for probably 10 years now. It would really be helpful to ODF&W and the Commission to implement the Pilot Program and benefit from the results. The bill has now been referred to Ways & Means to decide whether or not the fiscal impact can be absorbed by ODF&W.

Development of Columbia River Basin Water Resources Stopped

HB 4101 directs Water Resources Department to aggressively pursue development of Columbia River Basin water resources in the Umatilla area. This proposal has been introduced for several Sessions and OCA has supported the concept of increased appropriations from the Columbia to benefit agriculture and economic development.

Updating the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund – HB 4042 Stopped

HB 4042 was filed at the request of the Oregon Small Woodlands Association and it was intended to change the permissible use of moneys in Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund (OFLPF). The intent of this legislation was to install financial equity through all parts of the wild fire suppression and control system for landowners and the state general fund. This piece of legislation did not make it past the Ways & Means budget test, even though the impact to the budget was phased in over the next four biennium.

Timber, Water Jobs Bills Stopped

The 2012 session was adjourned with the rebalancing of the budget without raising taxes and achieving bipartisan compromise on health care and education reform. But, there were six out of seven jobs bills left in committee upon adjournment:

- HB 4097 - Allows working families to save and spend more of their earnings by providing tax relief to lower and middle income Oregonians by doubling the two lower income tax brackets, and providing a \$250-per-child tax credit.

You're Invited to the Grange Campout July 6-8, 2012

Come one come all to the 6th annual Oregon State Grange Campout at Clear Lake Campground, Mt. Hood National Forest the weekend of July 6-8, 2012. The Youth Committee is delighted to sponsor this weekend of fun and fellowship for the 6th year in a row. The weekend is open to all Grange members, friends, and family. If you know someone you would like to introduce to the Grange, this campout is a perfect introduction! Tent camping is the norm, some sites have room for a small camper, you bring your camping equipment, we take care of the cost for the campsite and Saturday night's dinner. Join us July 6 - 8, 2012 at Clear Lake Campground off Hwy 26 in the Mt. Hood National Forest. Space is limited so please reserve yours now by contacting Sarah Kingsborough by phone 414-510-0469 or email sarahkingsborough@gmail.com.

Thank you,

Sarah Kingsborough

Youth Report

Hello Brothers and Sisters ...

First thing is big kudos for all the youth who took time from their busy schedules to assist the GROW Club in putting on the first four degrees for candidates at Bellview Grange in Ashland. The enthusiasm was high and the day fun yet productive. You did a terrific job and I couldn't be more proud of you.

- o Steward (and harvest marcher) ... Alexa Suing
- o LAS ... Kiri (Schnetzky) Daufel
- o AS (for 3rd and 4th) ... Qiana Helm
- o Treasurer ... Lorisa Schnetzky
- o Secretary ... Carly Sether
- o Gatekeeper ... Orrin Schnetzky
- o Flora ... Stormie Williamson

All Granges should be in possession of their goodie basket tickets by the time the bulletin goes to print. I encourage Grangers to find ways to sell all the tickets that were forwarded to you ... it makes it possible for our youth to expand their horizons and leadership skills by attending State, Regional and National events. IF you need more goodie basket tickets to sell,

please call the Oregon State Grange office and they'd 'be delighted' to mail you however more you believe you can sell.

Our district chairs have come up with some unique baskets and a variety of choices for those lucky to have their tickets drawn. One goodie basket will be centered on 'follow the light to Seaside' having a coastal get away with overnight lodging and either a restaurant or attraction certificate among other trinkets. Another goodie basket will follow the theme 'go west young man' and having stuff to making travel easier ... flashlights, small cook stove, a Pendleton wool blanket, snacks and games are just some possibilities. 'Follow the light to education' will center on a kindle and certificates for books and other educational stuff. Many grangers have four legged friends so hopefully 'follow the light to dog heaven' stuffed with treats, toys and treasures for our beloved dogs will be a hit.

I encourage all who can make it to session on Friday to do so. The youth will open session at 9am. Our luncheon, including the speaking contest, will be happening. Since no team entered the installation contest, the youth will again do the honors of installing the State Officers Friday afternoon. Session will also have informative workshops on public speaking, also networking and the hidden job market. It will be a busy week with Saturday having us on the beach for beach volleyball as a way to unwind and enjoy some fellowship before heading home.

As of Friday afternoon, I retire as State Youth Director. It's been a fun ride. The absolute best part was getting to know our youth in this state ... they are a great bunch with energy, ideas and leadership to spare. We need to encourage them to imitate the groundhog and poke their heads out of their comfortable hole to see what happening around them and try new things. Encouraging them is only one swipe of color in the big picture ... to complete the picture with lots of colors, we must listen to their suggestions and encourage them to lead and to remember one of our grange lessons to correct an error kindly with a smooth edge of affection. Our youth are leaders today and with mentorship from seasoned Grangers, they will gain strength and fly high carrying the Grange far into the future.

Keep encouraging a youth!

Cat 'Kitty' Thomas



In Memorial

Hazel Gardner
Maplewood 662

David Smith
Long Tom 866

Joseph Brockway
Eagle Creek 297

Philip Lake
Dorena 835

Veda Knoblauch
Eagle Valley 656

Helen Christensen
North Howell 274

Tony Haskins
Rockwood 323

Robert Rosenberg
Fruitdale 379

Shirley Veelle
Labomb 906

David McCall
Macleay 293

Delma Kollar
Walterville 416

Truscott Irby
Missouri Flat 612

Glenda Usinger
Sunnyside 842

Bewey Bucklnad
Pine Forest 632

Faye Waltosz
Pine Forest 642

Barbara Swing
Phoenix 779

Jones Gordon
Irving 377

Don Willner
Fern Hill 592

Shirley Veelle
Lacomb 907

MaryAnn Hulquist
Winona 271

Loren Behymer
Redwood 760

Elbert Goodman
Spencer Creek 855

Patricia Tuttle
Olney 793

Myrtle Williams
Terrebonne 663

Doris Rasmussen
Terrebonne 663

Ross Ryzitz
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Elmira 523

Vivian Minnick
The Sandy 392

Clarence Grossen
North Bayside 691

Shirley Larson
Sauvie Island 840

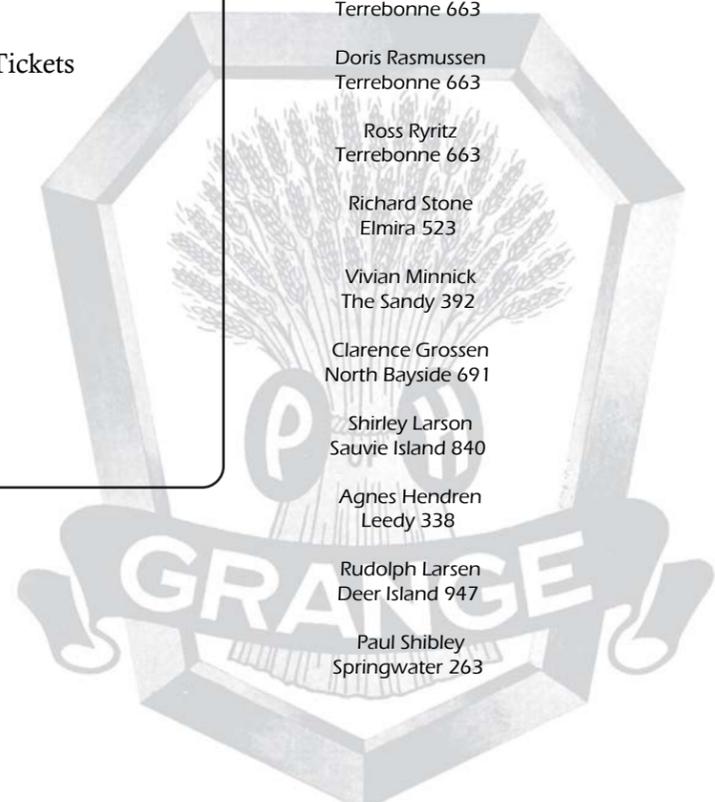
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Leedy 338

Rudolph Larsen
Deer Island 947

Paul Shibley
Springwater 263

2012 – Seaside ** TENTATIVE ** Youth Schedule

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY
Sunday	Dress of the Day ...	Hawaiian Shirts at Kick Off Indoor Picnic
	All Day	District Chairs display Goodie Baskets
	All Day	Cat sets up concession stand
	4:30pm	Worship Service
	6:30pm	Kick Off Indoor Picnic (at the American Legion Hall)
Monday	All Day	Youth register as they arrive
	Morning	Opening of Session in the 6 th degree
	10am	Junior Installation ?
	Noon-2pm	Foundation Luncheon
	Afternoon	Progress Committee Support
	Afternoon	Community Service Project
Tuesday	5-7pm	Dinner
	Dress for the Day ...	Red, White & Blue to Honor our Veterans
	All Day	Youth register as they arrive
	7:30 am	OYOT Practice / core officers for opening
	Noon – 2pm	Membership Luncheon
	Afternoon	Progress Committee Support
	2-3pm	Memorial Service
	5-7pm	Dinner
	7:30pm	Lecturer Program
	After L. Program	Youth Get Acquainted Party
Wednesday	Dress of the Day	Pic of R/W/B attire, post online w/ thank you to our veterans
	7:30am	Red Tennis Shoes to Honor our Juniors
	10:15am	OYOT Practice / all officers
	Noon-2pm	Junior Degree
	2pm-3pm	GWA Luncheon
	Afternoon	Workshop (public speaking)
	Afternoon	Progress Committee Support
	Afternoon	Free Time
	4:30-5:30pm	Fifth Degree
	6-7:30pm	Dinner
Thursday	7:45pm	Sixth Degree
	7:30am	OYOT Practice
	All Day	Push Goodie Basket Tickets (teams)
	10am-11:30am	Workshop (Networking & the hidden job market)
	Noon-2pm	Officers Luncheon
	Afternoon	Fundraiser for annual charity
	5-7pm	Dinner
	7pm	Oral Auction
Friday	Evening	Reward for winning teams
	7:30am	OYOT Practice
	9am	OYOT open session
	11am-1:30pm	Youth Luncheon / Speech Contest / Winning Goodie Tickets
	1:30-2:30pm	OSG Officer Installation
	Late afternoon	Recycle Effort
Saturday	5-7pm	Dinner
	Evening	Assist with Jr's til session concludes
	9am	Checked out of hotel
	9-noon	Beach volleyball / district teams
	Noon	Lunch
1pm	Drive to head home	



- HB 4101 - Leveraged Oregon's abundant water resources by utilizing an additional 450,000 acre feet of water from the Columbia River for agricultural use to boost direct farm and food processing jobs.
- HB 4103 - Supports Oregon's building and construction industries and trades by creating an income tax credit for capital improvements to private properties and business facilities.
- HB 4098 - Put Oregonians back to work in state forests by increasing sustainable harvesting in Oregon State Forests.
- HB 4076 - Promote investment in Oregon companies and workers making Oregon more competitive in attracting and retaining employers by establishing a two-year period when capital gains is taxed at 2.5 percent
- HB 4096 - Encourage small business to hire Oregon's long-term unemployed by giving qualified small businesses a tax incentive to hire unemployed Oregonians.

Bad Legislation Stopped

Ecosystems Services Markets Legislation Stopped

OCA opposed SB 1511 which was written to expand state policy relating to ecosystems services which was established in statute in 2009. SB 1511 was introduced by Defenders of Wildlife without the full approval of those who participated in the 2011 SB 513 work group and was used as trading stock for HB 4158, but it died in the House without referral to a committee, which is good!

SB 1594 – Firearms Prohibited on School Property Stopped

SB 1594 would have prohibited the possession of firearms or dangerous weapons on school grounds. The bill provided for certain exceptions to this prohibition and would have allowed school districts, community colleges and the Oregon University System to adopt their own policies authorizing Concealed Handgun License (CHL) holders to carry their weapons on school grounds. The opposition to this bill stressed there is no evidence that the tragedies that have occurred in schools could be attributed to CHL holders. The bill failed in the Senate by a 14-15 vote and received no further action.

Revenue and Taxation

Fiscal Stability Proposal Stopped Again

Senator Frank Morse first proposed his "Fiscal Stability Act" during the 2011 Legislative Session because he has contended that "the combination of the legislature spending it all, no planned general savings, and when the revenue forecast is off by 2% or more it serves to magnify the negative impacts to our schools and other critical public services when the economy sours. The measure would create a general purpose constitutional Emergency Reserve Fund which would be filled through a disciplined savings mechanism that limits revenue available to spend by benchmarking against the rolling six-year average rate of growth of personal income. The revenue in excess of the rolling average first fills the fund and when the balance equals 12% of the previous biennium spending, the excess revenue is returned to taxpayers. The Emergency Reserve Fund can only be used for core services in times of financial stress and it cannot be raided to grow government. An added benefit of this plan is that it reduces revenue volatility by 40%.

Jobs and Economy

HB 4093 – Rural Enterprise Zone Expansion Passed

The bill increased the number of rural enterprise zones that may be designated from 17 to 20, and the number of urban/rural enterprise zones from 15 to 20.

HB 4040 – Oregon Investment Act Passed

The Oregon Investment Act creates the Oregon Growth Board and the Oregon Growth Fund and consolidates a myriad of economic development financing tools into one fund managed under the auspices of the Treasurer's office. However, the bill also provides the opportunity for private investors to participate with public monies invested for the purpose of an economic return. This provision in the bill represents a major public policy change and needs thorough oversight applied. The bill requires operating details of the Oregon Growth Board and Fund to be presented to the 2013 legislature for approval.

SB 1552 – Foreclosure Protections Passed

SB 1552 provides additional foreclosure protections for Oregonians. It requires a mandatory face-to-face meeting between homeowners and banks, with a third party mediator present to help negotiate alternatives to foreclosure. Before mediation, homeowners will meet with a housing counselor from Oregon Housing & Community Services to discuss the options available to the homeowner. The proposal also ends the dual track process that allowed banks to renegotiate terms of the loan while pursuing the foreclosure process at the same time.

The bill was worked on diligently by both the House and Senate so that a compromise could be reached that would benefit Oregonians.

Public Safety

Legislature - Rebalanced the state budget without closing any prisons or releasing convicted criminals.

Education

SB 1581 – Education Reform Continuation Passed

SB 1581 is a continuation of the efforts of SB 909 from the 2011 Legislative Session that created the Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB) and the office of Chief Education Officer. SB 1581 outlines additional authority for implementation of the OEIB and achievement compacts. This bill was a priority for the Governor in his continued efforts to reform Oregon's K-12 education system. It passed the House 52-8 and the Senate 23-6.

Health Care

SB 1580 - Health Care Transformation Continuation Passed

The initial passage of the "Transformation" of the health care delivery system for the Medicaid population began in 2011. The creation of Coordinated Care Organizations to bring the various threads of public and private health delivery (mental, physical, dental) into an integrated delivery system was established. However, the legislation did not adequately provide for reforming the medical liability system and the 2012 updates may have also fallen short. The bill provides for a Governor led task force to develop recommendations for medical liability reform to the 2013 legislature. The success or failure of CCO's will largely ride on the outcomes of medical liability reform.

HB 4164 – Health Insurance Exchange Passed

HB 4164 advanced the implementation of a health insurance exchange that could help make coverage more affordable to small businesses and individuals.

HB 4027 – liability Immunity in Certain Situations Passed

The Bill expanded immunity from liability for health care professionals who provide services for charitable organizations without compensation.

Seniors

HB 4039 – Property Tax Relief Passed

The Bill provided temporary relief to seniors with reverse mortgages under the Senior Property Tax Deferral Program.

HB 4084 – Increase Penalties for Elder Abuse Passed

The Bill increased penalties for various forms of elder abuse, and gave law enforcement additional tools to investigate allegations of abuse.



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Fifth and Sixth Degrees: If you are not a 5th and/or 6th Degree member, this is your opportunity. A team from Columbia and Washington-Yamhill Pomona confers the Fifth Degree at 4:30. Then National Master Ed Luttrell serves as Master for the exemplification of the Sixth Degree at 7:45. The Rosebud Drill team comprised of young ladies (and a couple of young men) from Columbia and Washington Counties adds to the impressiveness of the Degree.

Thursday, June 14

Officers' Luncheon: This event has a new twist this year. The State Master, State Youth Master, and other Masters sit together. The same for Overseers, Lecturers, etc. This is a great opportunity to ask questions, share ideas, and network. Past State Officers, who usually go off-site for lunch, will share a table and not have to leave the building.

Past State Officers and Directors: Recognition is immediately after lunch on Thursday this year.

Oral Auction: Often we finally get serious about resolutions on Thursday evening. Moving the oral auction to this time slot gives us a bit of a break.

Friday, June 15

Youth Day: The OSG Youth Officer team, under the Youth Director Kitty Thomas, opens the session in the Fourth Degree at 9 a.m. These young adults chose to practice very early each morning to prepare an impressive opening drill (and closing drill, too) and rehearse their parts.

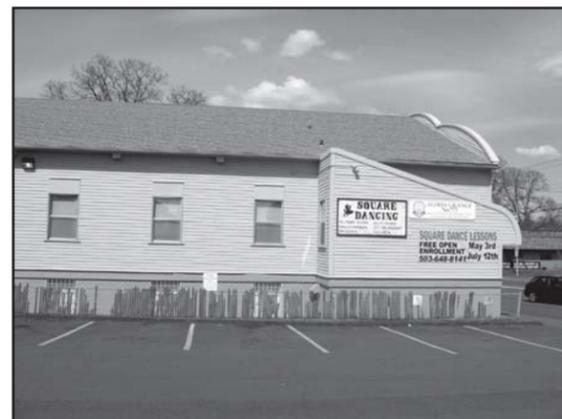
Youth Luncheon: Session recesses at 11, which may seem a little early for lunch, but the By-Laws specify that installation of new state officers must be at 1:30. The youth need time to present awards, draw the winners for six Goodie Baskets, and hold the public speaking contest.

Installation of Officers: Kitty Thomas and her youth team go to the Pacific Room to do the honors. The newly installed State Officers take over when the session re-convenes. The session concludes when delegates vote on the last resolution and all business has been completed. Want to make a bet what time that will be?

The District #3 Publicity Chair will make sure that coastal newspapers know that we are in town. If you would like coverage in your local newspaper that your Grange is sending delegates, youth, talent contest entrants, etc., email Sam Keator at winona271lecturer@gmail.com and include the contact for your local newspaper.

Aloha # 773

Date chartered:	January 1, 1931
Location:	3425 SW 185th Ave, Aloha, Oregon 97006
Hall was built & occupied:	A vote was held on March 21, 1932 to erect and finance a new Grange community hall. The hall was dedicated on October 14, 1932.
Meeting date and time:	Meetings are currently held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
Number of Members:	39
Master:	Mike Duyck
Best known for:	The Aloha Grange is best known as a square dance center in the heart of urban Washington County. We are trying to keep this American dance form alive and flourishing by offering a low cost meeting place to five different dance groups.
Other projects:	The Aloha Grange is deeply invested in providing the local Boy Scouts packs meeting facilities at no cost. We also provide a no cost meeting space for the local wool spinners group. Both of these groups, in their own ways, foster Grange ideals. The Boy Scouts foster good moral character in our youth while the wool spinners tie our urban location and membership to the agricultural base of the Grange. We hope to have a Fruit and Vegetable Food Coop operating in our building by May 1st.



Aloha # 773

State Session Host Grange Histories



Forest Grove #282

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Date chartered:	1896 as Gale Grange. Changed name to Forest Grove in 1960.
Location:	1917 B St, Forest Grove
Date hall was built:	In 1999 purchased the Odd Fellows hall, which was built in 1958
Meeting date and time:	Second Thursday 7 pm, potluck at 6 pm
Number of members:	26
Master:	Jeff Clute
Projects:	Dictionary project have done for 7 years to all grade schools in the Forest Grove District. Have movie night on a topic having to do with agriculture for the community most every month (during the summer coincides with the first Wednesday Farmers Market). Help with FFA at the high school and the Washington County Fair.

Scholls #338

Date chartered: April 1903
 Location: 16917 SW Hillsboro Hwy, Scholls,
 Date hall was first occupied: Purchased from Artisan's group in 1918; remodeled, kitchen & bathrooms added in 1963

Meeting date and time: 1st Wednesday: 7 pm PotLuck, 8 pm meeting; Social Night 3rd Friday of Month 7:00

Number of members: 33

Master: Dan Williamson

Projects: 'Burgers and Books' 1st or 2nd weekend in April, 'Country Store' 1st weekend in October



Scholls #338

Leedy #339

Leedy Grange is the only Grange in Oregon to be named after an Oregon State Grange Master, B.G. Leedy, who served from 1900 to 1906. In 1913 the Grange purchased the hall of the Modern Woodmen. In 1929 Leedy Grange decided to rebuild their hall and met at Master Reeves home until the hall was completed. The first meeting held in the new hall was on November 23, 1929. Last year Leedy received a grant for a mural that now faces Saltzman Road. The mural is of past Grange members sitting outside the hall. Leedy is active in the community and has a website: Leedygrange.org. Leedy has dances on the 2nd and 4th Friday, a monthly Flea Market on the first Saturday, and is looking forward to an open house May 19th featuring the Old Time Fiddlers and exhibits from the Beaverton Historical Society. The physical address is 825 Saltzman Road, Cedar Mill. Meetings are on the second Saturday at 1pm. The general public is welcome to join the noon potluck.



Leedy #339

Pomona News

Clackamas County Pomona

Clackamas County Pomona Grange honored members and Subordinate Granges on Saturday March 31st in it's Awards Dessert Extravaganza at Milwaukie Grange. More than 70 grange members, friends, family, and neighbors attended the event to enjoy some delicious desserts and celebrate the efforts of Clackamas County Grangers. Awards included Membership Gain, Clackamas Pomona Grange Builder Award (similar to honor grange), Farmer of the Year, Youth Achievement Awards, Youth Booster, Volunteer of the Year, Granger of the Year, and Community Recognition. In addition to the desserts, fellowship, and awards we were also engaged in our guest speaker, Tim Collier from Northwest Housing Alternatives. Clackamas Pomona Grange Master, Sarah Kingsborough, was delighted to act as emcee for this event, "Grangers constantly amaze me with all the work they do in the community in the name of the Grange, with other organizations, and as individual contributors. It's important to take some time and honor that work." We encourage all Granges to recognize and reward the efforts of your members and community members whether it is an award sponsored by the State or National Grange, or one your Subordinate or Pomona decides needs to be delivered. It can be inexpensive and priceless at the same time.



Clackamas County Grangers receive the Clackamas Pomona Grange Builder Award for building stronger granges in 2011 from Pomona Master Sarah Kingsborough and County Deputy Ed Schettig. Granges represented include: Abernethy Grange, Beaver Creek Grange, Boring-Damascus Grange, Clarkes Grange, Colton-Foothills Grange, Eagle Creek Grange, Frogpond Grange, Harding Grange, Molalla Grange, Redland Grange, Sunnyside Grange, Warner Grange.



Clackamas County Grangers receive Youth Awards. Pictured Pomona Master Sarah Kingsborough, Youth Chair and Youth Booster of 2011 Christy Dumolt, Youth Achievement Award Winners: Carly Sether, Jim Dumolt, and Breanna Hays

Grange Exchange

Oregon Grange Hall Destroyed by Easter Morning Fire

by Phyllis A Wilson

An early morning fire on Sunday, April 8th, destroyed the Ash Butte Grange hall, located in Ashwood, in the north central part of the state near Madras. Grange members were busily preparing for the Easter service that was to be followed by a potluck brunch. One of the helpers discovered smoke pouring out of the eaves of the hall. Members started removing what little they could but the fire quickly consumed the entire wooden frame structure. Instead of observing the glory of Easter morning, the Grangers and community members watched with sadness as flames destroyed the building that had been built over 120 years ago.

The few items that were saved included an antique piano, the charter, flags and some wall plaques. Everyone was ordered out of the building just before the ceiling began to collapse. The small community of Ashwood is not part of the Jefferson County Fire District. But, as members stated, even being part of any top-rated fire district in the country could not have saved the building. A member stated that the building "went up like a tinder box. It wasn't even an hour and it had fallen down in on itself."

The Grange plans to rebuild and talk is underway on how to finance the rebuilding project. Farmers, ranchers and community friends used the hall in addition to the normal Grange activities. It was the local gathering place for birthday celebrations, weddings and funerals.

Membership totaled about 20 at the time of the fire, but a meeting after the fire saw the addition of at least four (4) new members.

Oregon State Grange was pivotal in beginning fund raising efforts to help Ash Butte. National Grange was made aware of the fire and sent out a "Fraternal Concern" to Grange leaders throughout the U.S. seeking donations. A special donation account was established through US Bank and donations will also be accepted by the Oregon State Grange Foundation for individuals or businesses wanting to make a tax deductible donation. Please send to either of the following:



Ash Butte Grange #802 engulfed in flames

Ash Butte Grange #802 Rebuild Fund
% US Bank
PO Box 8
Madras OR 97741
(or through your local US Bank Branch)

Wayne Cabler, Treasurer
Oregon State Grange Foundation
4155 Omaha Avenue
Medford OR 97501

Please remember that these Ash Butte Grangers are our friends and need our support so that they can continue their Grange activities and provide support for their community.

SILETZ VALLEY GRANGE #558

At the March meeting of our grange a 25 year certificate and pin was presented to Jane Pate and a 50 year certificate and pin was presented to Duaine Esbenshade and Rose Esbenshade received a 60 year seal. We are proud to honor these long time grangers and thank them for their service.

Our grange is active in the community and is having an Indian Taco Feed in April and plans to have more fund raisers later this year. Our building is used by several non-profit groups in the community and is available for rent to others.

I am enclosing a photo of (from left) Duaine Esbenshade, Jane Pate and Rose Esbenshade and hope it can be included in the next issue of the Grange Bulletin along with the above article.

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SANTIAM VALLEY GRANGE #828

First a notice to let everyone know that our CARSHOW for July 21st has been CANCELLED. We will be having a Chili Feed instead, that same day from 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Our Easter Egg Hunt on April 8th was a success with around 140 kids of all ages attending. We had the main hall fixed up like a small garden with eggs hidden for the small ones, age 0-3, and had 4 different areas with eggs hidden outside. We also had a game for the older ones (adults) to toss eggs back & forth, that were not boiled, until they broke. It was a huge success with the older "kid" in all of us.

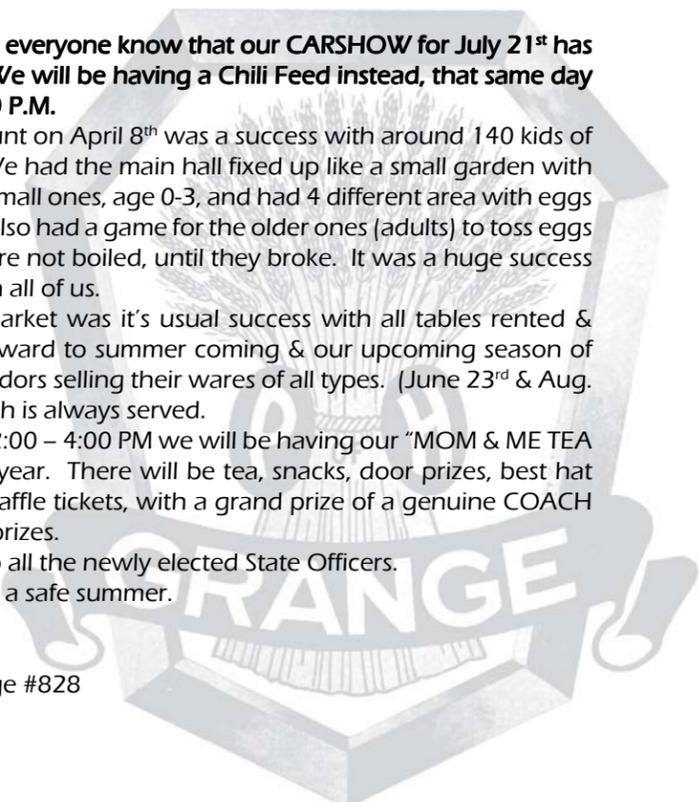
Our April Flea Market was its usual success with all tables rented & everyone looking forward to summer coming & our upcoming season of flea markets with vendors selling their wares of all types. (June 23rd & Aug. 18th) Remember lunch is always served.

On May 12th from 2:00 – 4:00 PM we will be having our "MOM & ME TEA PARTY" for the third year. There will be tea, snacks, door prizes, best hat prizes & \$1.00 each raffle tickets, with a grand prize of a genuine COACH purse & many other prizes.

Congratulations to all the newly elected State Officers.

We wish everyone a safe summer.

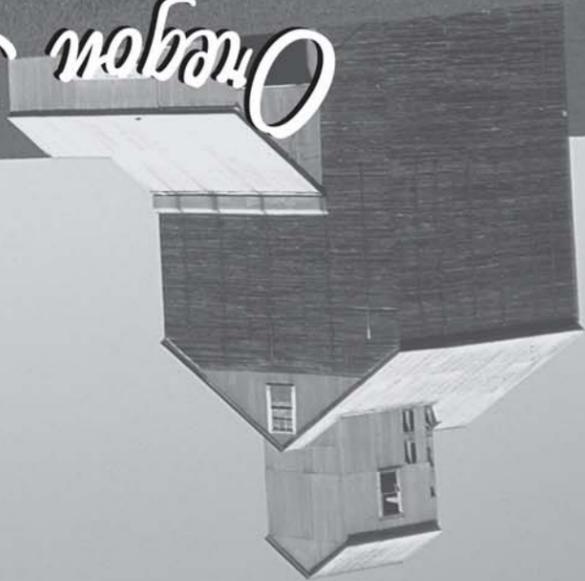
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Hurricane Creek Grange #608



Joseph, Oregon, is proud to announce the winner of the Grange's 2012 Nature Conservancy Zumwalt Prairie Deer Tag Raffle. The winner is Jeremy Hunter of Seaside, Oregon (pictured with Blue, his 16-year old blue tick hound dog).

In July 2011, Grange secretary Sharon Tracy composed a letter to The Nature Conservancy in response to their solicitation for local nonprofit organizations to apply for Zumwalt Prairie Land Owner Preference tags as organizational fundraisers. The Nature Conservancy accepted her letter and awarded the Grange a 2012 Trophy Deer LOP Tag. She and Grange member Derrell Witty attended an informational meeting held by The Nature Conservancy in August 2011.

The Grange members put together a hunter's package which included the Land Owner Preference Tag (aka LOP), a 3-night stay at the 1910 Historic Enterprise House Bed & Breakfast, and guide services by Cory Miller. Local graphic artist Ed Pitts of Joseph prepared posters and a full-page print ad. The ad appeared in Oregon Hunter magazine and generated many raffle ticket sales. Grange member Clarann Witty's phone and Sharon Tracy's phone were ringing off the hook with people wanting to buy raffle tickets. Grange members hung posters in windows of businesses throughout Wallowa County. All in all, 121 envelopes with raffle ticket stubs were mailed outside of Wallowa

County and more tickets were sold within the county for a total of 258 tickets. Tickets were available from December 2011 through early March 2012, including Grange member Grace Gray and others selling tickets at the Joseph Oregon Christmas market.

Grange treasurer Linda Knifong kept busy depositing proceeds from the raffle. Both Clarann Witty and Barb McCormack assisted with recordkeeping for the drawing.

The drawing occurred on March 15th at the Hurricane Creek Grange's monthly meeting. Newest Grange member Andi Mitchell pulled the winning ticket.

Grange secretary Sharon Tracy contacted the winner. "He was absolutely overwhelmed and couldn't believe it at first. He was so thrilled!"

Jeremy's ticket was the winner among 258 tickets sold from Wallowa County to the Oregon Coast.

"So many Grange members and supporters contributed to this fundraising project," notes Grange president Heather Tyreman. "Most of all we're grateful to The Nature Conservancy for their generosity in supporting local nonprofit organizations and making this fundraising raffle possible."



Jeremy Hunter of Seaside, Oregon with Blue, his 16-year old blue tick hound.

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