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Western Regional Conference August 3rd and 4th

Eight Oregon Grangers attended the Western Regional Grange Leadership Conference, hosted by the Washington State Grange in Spokane. A total of more than 55 Grange leaders from Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Washington gathered August 3rd and 4th for leadership training, contests, fellowship and fun. An outstanding selection of workshops were led by Amanda Brozana, National Grange Communications Director; Michael Martin, National Grange Leadership/Membership Director; Charlene Shupp Espenshade, National Grange Youth Development Director; Holli Johnson, Washington State Grange Legislative Director; Rusty Hunt, Washington State Grange Membership Director; and Mark Altmar with the NE Washington Educational Service District, who provided Grangers information on opportunities available through AmeriCorps.

The weekend started off with a visit to the Spokane Indians baseball game. Even though it was typical Western Oregon weather with more than a few rain drops it was a great way to kick off the conference. Saturday morning started off with several back-to-back workshops. The lunch break was taken at a local park where the youth played ball, threw around a Frisbee and just generally ran off that pent up energy that had accumulated from the morning. More workshops were held in the afternoon as well as opportunities for our youth to share with youth from other states both similarities and difference among our programs and Granges.

The evening ended with the regional Public Speaking, Grange Jeopardy, and Sign-a-Song contests and a youth drill in which youth from three states participated. Oregon Granger Lacy Johnston, Warner Grange #117 competed in the prepared public speaking contest (14-19 year age group) and placed second; in the impromptu public speaking contest Oregon was represented by Mikela Heimuller, Warren Grange #536. Suzy Ramm, Colton-Foothills Grange placed first in the sign-a-song and will represent the Western Region as part of the Evening of Excellence at the National Grange convention in Manchester, NH in November. Oregon's three youth (Lacy, Mikela and Thomas Parker of Colton-Foothills Grange #831) also participated in the regional drill team and earned their silver seal for the Grange Youth Drill Achievement Award.



The Western Regional Youth Drill Team, comprised of 20 youth from Oregon, Washington and Montana started practicing on Friday afternoon and performed on Saturday night.



Western Region State Masters had a little fun with balloon hats created by Brother Scott Nicholson, Master of the Montana State Grange. Pictured left to right in addition to Scott are Brother Duane Hamp, Washington's Master, Oregon's own Master, Sister Susan Noah and Brother Donald Heikkila, Master of the Idaho State Grange.

In addition to our youth and contestants, State Master Susan Noah and her husband Mark, State Membership Co-Director Sandi Ludi and State Youth Chairman Cat Thomas. were in attendance. Next year's conference invitation was extended by Scott Nicholson, Master of the Montana State Grange. They hope to host it on the west side of the state to help with the distance Grangers have to travel

Suzy Ramm
Colton-Foothills #831



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Susan Noah
Master OSG

The Master's Column

Fellow Grangers,

I am writing this when it seems very likely that a portion of our federal government will shut down due to differences in policy being expressed by both houses of Congress. This is a time when it is easy for us to feel powerless as our elected officials make decisions that will impact us and our loved ones. Often we feel like there is nothing we can do, nowhere we can make our voices heard and we become negative and down-hearted. But, you know what? We can make our voices heard, and we have a perfect place to do so – our Subordinate or Community Grange! Now is the time that we as Grangers should be working to develop a voice to let our elected officials know what we stand for. So I encourage you to stay positive in your message, keep up on legislative issues and make sure that our voices as Grangers are heard in our communities, our state, and our nation. For 140 years here in the State of Oregon we have worked hard to remain a calm, deliberative voice in the plight of the rural community. Let's make sure that tradition is one we do not lose.

And while we are on the subject of being 'positive', I am excited to say that we have three areas in Oregon where the organization of a new Junior Grange is in progress. Washington-Yamhill Pomona, Benton Pomona and Lane Pomona are all in the initial stages of setting up a Junior Grange. Looks like Liz and her committee are going to be busy, busy, busy this fall. I would love to see one of these Granges actually chartered before National Session this year and I don't think that is just wishful thinking. From all accounts, it sounds like we are very close in at least two of these Pomona Granges. My

congratulations to the members of these three Pomona Granges for your dedication to the youth in your community, and to keeping the Grange spirit alive and well!

August saw several activities for the State Grange. Mark and I had the pleasure of attending the Western Regional conference held in Spokane, Washington this year and along with the many workshops we had the pleasure of watching the youth as they participated in several of the National contests. Our own Suzy Ramm was selected as the overall winner to represent the Western Region in the sign-a-song contest. She, along with her nephew, Thomas Parker, who has been selected as the National Youth Gatekeeper, will travel to Manchester, New Hampshire this November to represent the State of Oregon.

The State Fair at the end of August is our most intensive 'public relations' effort of the year. This year our Committee Directors staffed the Log Cabin and many arranged demonstrations that attracted the public. Those demonstrations included sheep shearing, assistance dog demos, rope making and knot tying, as well as quilting and scrapbooking just to name a few. Hosting in the log cabin each year gives us a solid chance to greet the public and to be able to tell a little about ourselves and what we stand for. As usual we try and display as much information as possible and to make the cabin look attractive and inviting, but our best asset is always those willing volunteers who give of their time and talents to welcome our visitors. So I say a big "Thank You" to all who helped this year in our annual effort, you are very much appreciated.

On a sadder note, I know most of you have heard of the passing away of our State Lecturer, Kendell Phillips. Ken will forever be remembered for his dedication to the Grange and for his great attitude. It has truly been a pleasure to have worked with him as a Director and of course to have known both Ken and Tammie for many years. Ken will certainly be missed by many, many people in the State and will always be remembered by our Grange family.

In August the Executive Committee met and selected Jeanie Force to fill out the remaining year of Ken's term. I know she will be appreciative of your support as she steps into the role of Lecturer and hopes to carry on the vision and humor that Kendell brought to this position.

We have had two other changes following our State Session. As those attending the session heard, Brother Steve Kroeker has accepted a job with his old firm and so has terminated his time in the OSG office. Steve is remaining on the communication team and still is very active with the GROW club and various other activities. Steve was a great asset to the office, and will be missed by all of us. In July Brother Chris Rea announced that he would like to be replaced as the Editor, but when we needed him for "just one" more paper he stepped up to the plate and is putting out this last edition. Chris has been a great asset and it will be hard to see him step down as the Editor, but to quote him, "this was never supposed to be a lifetime appointment!" I cannot say enough about what Steve and Chris have meant to the Grange in their two roles. Both of them have contributed immensely to the information distributed to our Grangers and both will be missed in those roles.

I am happy to say though that toward the end of September we hired Suzy Ramm as our office assistant and she will be taking over the duties of the Editor as well. By bringing the duties of the Editor into the office I hope that we can make the job a little easier. Suzy already is a great addition to the office and is looking forward to working on the next paper, so please welcome her!

So a lot has happened this summer, but Autumn is truly here and time for looking forward to our new challenges. Remember the old youth motto when asked to step up and take an office in your Grange and say "I'd be delighted"!

Fraternally,
Susan Noah

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Phyllis Wilson
Secretary OSG

The Secretary's Column

Many Granges are electing officers. Be sure to complete the roster information form sent to you from the state office and return it by Monday, December 2. Even if your Grange is not electing this year, still list any changes on the form and return it.

Review the membership list sent in the same mailing. Are the names spelled correctly? Are the addresses current? Are there any additions or deletions? Make any changes and return the form to the office.

Dues are payable in advance by December 31 of each year. Prior to January 1, the secretaries are to send out "Reminder of Grange Dues" notices. These notices are available from the state office for a small fee or secretaries can develop their own dues notice.

Remember.....at no time can a member be dropped on the 4th quarter report because of non-payment of dues.

The financial records of each Grange need to be audited annually. The secretary's records can also be a part of this audit.

Are you or another member of your Grange keeping the individual member records up-to-date? These record forms are available from the office. It is really important to keep these current. Often, when a member passes away, the office is contacted for information to be included in the member's obituary. We simply do not have the requested information.

I will have a revised Secretary's Handbook ready after National Session. I am waiting to hear final action on a couple of resolutions requiring a second reading. One involves the definition of a Family Membership and the other concerns Junior Grange Membership.

Greetings to all of you and your families for a blessed Thanksgiving holiday. Thank you, secretaries for your diligence in completing your Grange duties.

Keep On Grangin'
Phyllis Wilson
Secretary



John Fine, Director
Agriculture Committee

Agriculture Report

Brothers and Sisters,

Fall has arrived in full force in the last two weeks. The moisture, that is essential for the growth of the forage necessary to feed the sheep, has arrived and the fields are turning a magnificent shade of green. When we are able to apply the fall fertilizer, we will be anticipating an extended growing season providing quality feed through the winter months. We are in the third year of our research applying selenium in the fertilizer to increase the selenium content of the forage which increases the selenium in the animals system. Analysis of forage clipping made the past two years are very promising and could possibly provide a boost to those who require selenium supplementation in their diet.

In an article I recently read, the USDA identified 2.2 million farmers and ranchers in the United States. With the US population at over 135 million, we should reflect on the incredible task the farmers and ranchers accomplish in feeding our population and a significant majority of the world. This exceptional accomplishment is possible in a significant degree as a result of the technology and practices employed by the US farmers and ranchers. Continued research will be critical to improving our productivity in the future. Research, either conducted by our Universities or by private companies, has placed US agriculture industry as the leading agriculture industry in the world.

The Agriculture Committee day at the Oregon State Fair Log Cabin proved to attract considerable attention. Rick and Brett Martin demonstrated shearing sheep each hour. We were able to report to the 20 to 40 visitors each time concerning the requirement of harvesting and care of the second product of the sheep industry and the relation of the Grange pertaining to the issues which face the Agriculture

Industry. Audrey VanHouten provided the guests with samples of wool. Austin VanHouten arranged a incubator in the Log Cabin and provided information about incubation, candling eggs and poultry production. The chicks and equipment were a positive attraction. We are very appreciative of the time and effort provided by these individuals and those that helped man the cabin.

As charged by the delegates in Canby, the Agriculture Committee will meet in November to review the Oregon State Grange Agriculture Policy handbook and produce recommendations for the next state session.

John Fine, Director
Agriculture Committee
Oregon State Grange



Peggy Fine, Chaplain
OSG

The Chaplain's Report

I was recently searching the internet on studies on happiness or making oneself happier. There are literally hundreds of studies recently that point to counting your blessings as you arise each morning. Thinking about all the ways you are happy, writing them down, keeping a journal, there are even on-line classes on this subject. It is a wonderful idea, but not very original to this generation. In fact it dates back to biblical times when Paul is speaking to the Philippians. This church is of special interest to Paul as it was the first church he founded in Europe and he was encouraging them to live their lives the way that Christ had manifest his. He has just been imprisoned for his beliefs and he wanted to encourage the Philippians to walk worthy of the gospel and be in Christ. Philippians 4:6, 7 states "Do not be anxious (fear) about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." What a wonderful promise of thanksgiving that is. As we head into the Thanksgiving season, let us remind ourselves daily what

we have to be grateful for. We live in the greatest country on earth, we enjoy freedoms that no other people on earth enjoy, we have free education, we are free of slavery and oppression and we can worship as we please. I would challenge each of you to count your blessings and see if you aren't truly happier.

Faternally,
Peggy Fine, State Chaplain



Community Service Report

The Holidays Are Coming.

Every Year thousands of families around our state depend on generous people like you to provide a holiday for their families.

I challenge both Subordinate Granges and Pomona Granges to adopt a family or an organization and make this the best holiday ever.

There are many ways you can help. Food Banks need gifts of both food and money, Toys for Tots needs donations. Many, many areas have a local giving tree. The Salvation Army and St Vincent De Paul all accept special donations for the Holidays. Volunteer for BeAnElf.Org (through the Post Office) and spend some time answering letters to Santa from Children around the state. There are numerous organizations to help Military families at this time of year.

And there is always that family down the street or across town that you know would appreciate a visit from Santa.

Send me a letter or e-mail and let me know what your Grange did this holiday to help your community.

The 2013 Community service reports are available on The Oregon State Grange website under Community Service, as well as a sample form you might like to use to keep track of your Community Service. Fill In forms are available, if imperfect.

Thanks for all you do
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GWA Report

I Hope your summer was spectacular. Mine has finally started to calm down a bit. I am still looking for a GWA Chairperson for District I. Remember it does not have to be a Grange sister. How about some of you brothers out there? We could certainly use your help. Please consider helping your district out by being a representative for them.

I Wanted to let all of you know that the 208 pounds of Pull Tabs brought in \$ 113.40 . An additional \$238.00 was brought in from a donation of 119 pounds of old keys from Timberline Lodge. Big thanks to them and to my brother , Robert Parrott for taking them to Portland and turning them in. The money goes to the Foster Family Program . So....don't forget to save those pull tabs . They do help those in need.

The Preemie caps and afghans were taken to hospitals in District 4. The group I delivered were sent to Emmanuel hospital in Portland. They were very grateful to get them. Please keep those knitting needles and crochet hooks busy. Thanks to Jan Oleson for coming up with the contest and telling us about the need for these preemie items.

Here in the upper Hood River Valley the orchardists are gearing up for the harvest. Tractors are on the move and trucks loaded with picking bins are being shuffled quickly along between trees and packing houses. Ladders and pickers are scattered through the orchards early in the morning. As soon as it is light they are on the job.

Some great activities will take place soon. Some orchardists celebrate the fruit being harvested with such themes as the heirloom varieties, basic types , fruit desserts, the orchardists' cultural ancestry (Swiss, Japanese, Hispanic) and the end of the harvest. Tasting of the fruit is always a great reason to attend as well as the music, food, and

chance to meander through the trees and pick out your fall supply of fruit.

This year my Grange has been asked to help with the desserts being served at one of the celebrations. We will be baking 8 different desserts highlighting pears, apples and peaches. What a wonderful task this is. There are so many great recipes out there for these local fruits. Jean Hardman, our Grange's treasurer, makes an Apple Pear Cake. It is worth trying and worthy of a blue ribbon.

I would like to share that recipe .

Apple Pear Cake from Jean Hardman

In a large bowl put the following and combine:

2 cups shredded peeled apples
2 cups shredded peeled pears
2 cups sugar
1 ¼ cups vegetable oil
1 cup raisins
1 cup chopped pecans
2 eggs, beaten
1 tsp. vanilla extract

In a second bowl , mix the following.

3 cups flour (all - purpose)
2 tsp. baking soda
2 tsp. ground cinnamon
½ tsp ground nutmeg
½ tsp. salt

Now add the flour mixture to the fruit and combine. Pour into a greased 9x13 baking pan and bake at 325degrees for 1 hour.

when cool, frost with the following Cream Cheese Frosting.
3 oz. Cream cheese, softened
¼ cup butter or margarine, softened
Beat until fluffy.
Add

3 cups confectioners sugar
2 T. milk
½ tsp vanilla
Mix well.

As I said there are some wonderful pear, apple and peach recipes out there. If you need a place to look you might try this site. www.mthoodfruit.com .

Scroll down to the Download our Desserts Galore Recipes. There you will find recipes that were highlighted from 2009 to 2012 celebrations. Soon there will be the 2013 recipes. Some of them are the ones we, the Parkdale Grange #500, will be preparing for the Kiyokawa Orchard .

Mary Parrott
Director GWA



The Lobbyist's Report

Unfinished Business

Just over two months since the Legislature ended the 2013 Session, sine die, the possibility of a Special Session is in question for September 30, 2013. Could it be that the unfinished business of PERS reform, tax reform (Tax increases and reductions) and the Columbia River Crossing (CRC) would come to a successful agreement within a one day Special Session? A one day session is probably not possible at this time, now that the negotiations include more considerations and details than originally thought.

As of September 26, 2013 there was still much skepticism as to the probability of the Special Session. There are questions surrounding the proposal, such as: Is the quest for a Special Session just more politics? Why wasn't this work done during the 2013 Session when the Governor had his majority party in control in the

House and Senate? If further PERS reform is important then why spend an extra \$40K in a Special Session when the 2014 February Session is only a few months away? If all these issues are so important is there now an agreed upon plan between the Legislators and the Governor? If there is not an agreed upon a plan then why not take the next four months to prepare one for the 2014 Session?

None of these issues and questions have a clear path to an easy fix. They are now all plagued with extraneous politics. For one, we are getting closer every day to the 2014 political season whereby no elected Legislator relishes taking on political hot potatoes. Secondly, it is necessary to include tax increases and spending increases in an agreement with PERS reform because one side, at the negotiation table, demands them and, frankly there will be no further PERS reform without compromises. Furthermore, it seems obvious Oregon will have to wait on Washington to decide that the CRC needs to be built, however the Governor and some Legislators think differently.

Yes, the Legislative process is a process of compromise and, it is a well-known fact that the Governor and Legislators believe any more PERS reform will again need "something of value in exchange" for those not comfortable with further reform. Unfortunately, the "something of value in exchange" always seems to be more revenue, i.e., a tax increase for someone or some group of taxpayers.

Now, only days until the scheduled/forecasted Special Session, there has been another Legislative Concept thrown into the mix. Senate bill 633 which has been slatted as the "Statewide Certainty for Oregon Agriculture" and it requires any Oregon policy regarding genetically modified crops to be implemented statewide, not on a county-by-county basis. This would exempt Jackson County, which already has a ballot measure that has qualified for the November election. But if the Jackson County measure fails, Jackson County would be subject to the local preemption.

The Governor has committed publicly that if any one of the 5 pieces of Legislation fail to pass the House or Senate he will veto the remaining pieces. If he can accomplish his plan there will be further cuts in PERS with some resulting revenue increase going to K-12, Community Colleges, Higher Ed., Senior Programs and

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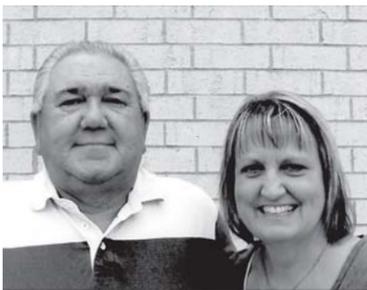
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Mental Health. This could mean more teachers in quite a few schools according to school administrators. The PERS reductions would also amount to a reduction in the unfunded liability to the tune of \$4.6 Billion which will help a number of our County and City governments. However, AFSME the public employee union says they didn't support the proposal earlier in the year and they won't support it now. The Kitzhaber plan would also, if accomplished, possibly reduce the conflict between public employee unions and business interests on the proposed ballot measure that would provide more dollars to schools if passed.

There are some good reasons to pass a compromise and some Legislators see the opportunity to accomplish \$150-250K in tax reductions for certain small businesses in Oregon. This most certainly will be a factor, along with SB 633, in any negotiations and they will also be an inclusion in the final package if there is to be an agreement and a special Session in September, or even in October.

Jim Welsh
Lobbyist OSG



Membership Report

Now that we are officially in the Fall season, it's an opportune time to plan some fun, indoor activities to encourage non-Grangers to attend. Game Nights, Karaoke, Cook-Offs, Dances, Talent Shows, etc. are just a few ideas. Advertising is so important and Communication is the KEY to a successful event. Looking for ways to advertise your event? The Oregon State Grange has a Communication Team headed by sister Sarah Kingsborough. She and her team are an excellent source to help your Grange with advertising ideas. We are living in a new age of technology so it behooves all of us to take advantage of this invaluable resource. Contact us if you would like more information on this topic.

The State Grange Membership Team is meeting Sunday, Oct. 20. If you have any questions, ideas,

suggestions, or concerns please contact your District Membership Chairman so that we can address them on that day. For District #1 please contact us as we are in need of a team member from that district.

National Grange has an E-bulletin that hopefully all of you are receiving by email. In it you will hear about some of the new programs and benefits available to Grangers.

As always, we want to hear about some of your Grange's successes in getting new members so that we can share them with other Granges from around the state.

If your Grange or county would like us to put on a Membership Conference please don't hesitate to ask.

Remember, we and your District Membership Chairmen are here to serve you.

Fraternally,
Sandi and Bob Ludi
State Membership Co-Directors



Bailey Barks

Dad says that as good bird dog I should really appreciate this time of year and want to get out and look for birds. Mom says that a good family dog should be home cuddled on the couch with her. And so it goes, I'm the product of a split household. I guess every dog has something they do, some dogs herd cows and sheep, some point at birds, some retrieve, some assist people. We all have a job to do, even us 'sporting dogs', although when Mom tells me to pick up my toys and bring them back in the house I think she forgets I'm not officially a "working breed".

I guess being in Grange is like that too, everyone seems to have a role to play and work to do. In our Grange I'm sort of the Assistant to the, Assistant Steward, in other words I go with the Assistant Steward when he is working, unless of course I want

to lay down instead, and sometimes I sit with the Graces, I mean I think I'm a pretty good Pomona, and after all there is fruit there! But you know they never call my name during the role call, although sometimes I do hear "Bailey!", but not in a good way. And they never ask for a "canine" report, but in my Grange they do put money in a dog bank each meeting, Mom says it's for "Dogs for the Deaf".

I hope all Granges are lucky enough to have the help of a good dog and for those kids out there that want a dog, according to Winston Pendelton here is how you go about it, *"The best way to get a puppy is to beg for a baby brother – and they'll settle for a puppy every time"*.

Until next time – Woof,
Bailey

Youth Report

Greetings Brothers and Sisters, There's lots to talk about so let's get started.

The youth team wishes to be more proactive in reaching out to Granges, Pomona and Subordinates, to share our youth program and the benefits of encouraging youth to participate in our various programs. To this end, we are creating a District Chairperson Handbook. This handbook will include a program that District Chair's can present to any Grange. The program will include general information, contests we wish to highlight and ways to invite youth to join your Grange. If you are interested, reach out to your District Chair and invite them to give a presentation.

Contests that provide opportunities to travel and strengthen leadership skills will be highlighted this next year; Youth Ambassadors, Young Couples and National Youth Officer Teams. These programs offer new experiences at National Convention through an educational tour, leadership workshops and making friendships that can last a lifetime.

We are going to initiate a change in how the Youth Goodie Basket Raffle is conducted. In the past we've guaranteed that each district basket had a minimum value of \$250 and that will change. Each spring we mail a letter to all Granges. We look to the Pomona Granges to provide donations in the form of items or cash to create their district goodie

basket. We mail goodie basket tickets to each subordinate in the hopes they are able to support the youth through selling some tickets for the youth goodie baskets. Commencing in 2014, the district goodie baskets will be the value the district contributes to the basket.

To insure each district has a basket and six baskets are available for the raffle, the youth team will contribute up to \$100 in the event the district does not donate a minimum of \$100 to create a basket. Many will ask why the change? Simple economics. The youth must contribute the dollars to any district basket that does not meet the minimum. When tickets sales are down to less than \$3,000 a year, it is no longer feasible to contribute up to \$1,000 out of our fund to create the \$250 goodie baskets. The District Chairs will still be encouraged to reach out to community to create the wonderful baskets you have come enjoy.

Speaking of economics, we find the youth must add a second fundraiser to continue funding our activities at their current levels. We decided to try an online auction. This allows us to raise funds from individuals outside of the Grange and across the nation as we are willing to ship items to the winning bidders. We will need some quality items to create an auction and would truly appreciate any donations that can be made to this new funding effort. We will need a picture of the item along with a description and fair value provided to the youth by 20 February. Information can be eMailed or mailed to the State Youth Director.

Each District Chair is being asked to create an event in their District and invite the youth from across our state. I strongly believe that unless youth have more opportunities to engage in significant activities as a group, the program will not grow and attract more youth to the Grange. The Chairs are being given complete freedom in creating their event. It may involve community service, an educational aspect, learning Grange knowledge but always mixed with friendships and fun. The goal is to publish the details of these events in the next bulletin.

Lastly, the State Master has charged the youth with coordinating the creation of the ritual teams for the exemplification of the first four degrees at our 2014 Annual Convention. Somewhere else in



this bulletin is the information we presently have available and a form to express your interest in participating on a degree team. The team is open to all members, however, the State Master wishes to encourage youth to participate and learn more about our history thus asks we give them first opportunity. No previous experience on a degree team is necessary for you to contribute your talents. Since all officers with speaking parts need to have their charges committed to memory for this exemplification, we need to receive all expressions of interest by November 30th so we can communicate officer lineup by January 1st, 2014.

I've rocked enough words and caused enough eye strain for this column.

As always, keep encouraging the youth. Cat



2014 OSG Convention Degree Team

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

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

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

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

Name _____

Grange _____ County _____

Interested in _____ first/second degree _____ third/fourth degree

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

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

1st/2nd 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

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

Officer Nominations

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Susan Noah, Mohawk-McKenzie #747 Lane Co.
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Malcolm Trupp, Spencer Creek #855 Lane Co.

Ada #570, Fairfield #720, Hurricane Creek #608, Riversdale #731, Warren #536

Steve Kroeker, Crow #450 Lane Co.

Lacomb #907

Mark Schnetzky, Tigard #148 Washington Co.

Tigard #148

Waldo Smith, Lacomb #907 Linn Co.

Santiam Valley #828

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Waltherville #416

Tami Henderson, Elkhorn #908 Baker Co.

Hurricane Creek #608

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Beaver Creek #276, Frogpond #111

Jay Saxton, Mary's River #685 Benton Co.

Rockford #501

Linda Wetzell, Goshen #561 Lane Co.

Crow #450

Becky Breier, Sunnydale #877 Douglas Co.

Lacomb #907

Iva May Van Noy, Mohawk-McKenzie #747 Lane Co.

Creswell #496

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Pleasant Valley #348

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Columbia #867

Linda Helm, Phoenix #779 Jackson Co.

Gold Hill #534

Catherine Johnston, Keizer #785 Marion Co.

Santiam Valley #828

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Crow #450

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Deschutes Co.**
Azalea #786

Grange at the Lane County Fair

The Lane County Granges (Pomona) had a very successful year at the Lane County Fair this year. Grange Day was changed to Thursday, the second day of the fair. Volunteers from 12 different Granges serviced 125 dozen cookies to Fair Goers. This year Lane Pomona Grange provided coffee, punch and water to the Fair Goers. The Lane Pomona Grange information table provides ice cold water throughout the Fair.

We received over 153 entries in The Dress Up Veggie and Fruit Contest which is divided into four categories. In Category I which is for 2, 3, and 4 year olds the First Place Ribbon, \$25, and a season pass to the Fair went to Luca; the Second Place Ribbon, \$15, and two tickets went to Silas; and the Third Place Ribbon, \$10, and one ticket to the fair went to Amon. In Category II which is for 5 and 6 year olds the First Place Ribbon, \$25, and a season pass to the Fair went to Izzy; the Second Place

Ribbon, \$15, and two tickets to the Fair went to Harley; and the Third Place Ribbon, \$10, and one ticket to the Fair went to Ella. In Category III which is for 7 & 8 year olds the First Place Ribbon, \$25, and a season pass to the Fair went to Cassandra; the Second Place Ribbon, \$15, and two tickets to the Fair went to Ben; and the Third Place Ribbon, \$10, and one ticket to the Fair went to Rachel. In Category IV which is for 9 & 10 year olds the First Place Ribbon, \$25, and a season pass to the Fair went to Zephan; the Second Place Ribbon, \$15, and two tickets to the Fair went to Noah; and the Third Place Ribbon, \$10, and one ticket to the Fair went to Allie. The Lane Pomona Grange and the Lane County Fair sponsored the contest. We would like to thank the children who took the time to enter. We would like to thank the three judges: Mark Noah Mohawk-McKenzie Grange, Linda Wetzell from Goshen Grange and Cookie Trupp from Spencer Creek Grange.

This year the Lane County Fair Board decided to pay special recognition to an outstanding Dress Up Veggie or Fruit. This year that award (ribbon) went to Alyiah.

The Lane Pomona Grange sponsored two JackPot prizes of \$100 each. The names of all entries that entered in the Land Products Department are placed in a box and the winners are drawn. This year the winners are Kate MacQueen and Amanda Martin. This is done to help promote entries in the Land Products Department at the Fair.

Also Lane County Granges donate money for the Best of Show in different classes. The following Granges donated \$10 for the Best of Show: Crow, Dorena, Goldson, Lorane, Spencer Creek, and Waltherville. Central Grange donated \$15. \$10 was donated by Bob and Judy Gay. This is in addition to the premiums they received from the Lane County Fair.

Over 2,343 Fair Goers placed ballots in the reddish-brown barn for the People's Choice selection. The theme for this year Grange booth was "The Grange and Fellowship." This contest is sponsored by our three local public utilities. Emerald People's Utility District (EPUD) awards the first place winner with \$100; the Second place winner receives \$75 from Lane Electric Cooperative (LEC); and the Third place winner receives \$50 from Blachly-Lane Electric Cooperative. This year Spencer Creek Grange took first place with 615 votes; second place was Mohawk-

McKenzie Grange with 570 votes and the third place winner was Lane County Beekeepers with 172 votes. We would like to thank all the Fair Goers who took the time to cast a vote for your favorite Grange Display.

The special Fair Board Award which is a new award this year went to Spencer Creek Grange.

Prizes for the GWA (Grange Workers Activities) are sponsored by Lane Electric Cooperative. The judges were Fair Goers who were asked to judge the displays. There were five in total. There scores were tallied. After careful evaluation, the First Place ribbon went to Jasper Grange who received \$25 for LEC; the Second Place ribbon went to London Grange who will receive \$15 from LEC; and the Third Place ribbon went to Goshen Grange who will receive \$10 for LEC. The theme for the GWA displays this year was "Something for Everyone at The Grange."

The People's Choice for the Scare Crow went to Sebastian Castaneda (2) with the Red Shirt Guitar Player Scarecrow.

We added a new contest this year: GWA People's Choice Award. This is sponsored by Lane Pomona Grange GWA. There were 320 votes counted. This year's Award of \$25 went to Spencer Creek Grange.

We would like to thank all of you who took the time to participate in the People's Choice contest. We had a record attendance enjoying the Grange Displays. Thank You for attending.

There were 14 of the 23 Lane County Granges represented at the Lane County Fair; each received \$200 for their participation. Each of the GWA displays received \$25 for their participation. I would like to thank all the Granges for their hard work. Thank You.

Malcolm Trupp
Lane County Fair
Grange Superintendent



GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2014-2015

Grange Insurance Association (GIA) Chairman of the Board, D. Thomas McKern, is pleased to announce that GIA will again fund 25 scholarships for the 2014 – 2015 school year, totaling \$26,500. In addition, GIA is honored to award the \$1,000 Paul and Ethel Holter Memorial Scholarship, funded by a gift of Mrs. Holter's estate, and the \$1,000 Dee and Ina McKern Memorial Scholarship, funded by a gift from the McKern family.

Applicants may apply for either an academic or a vocational scholarship. Three of the awards will be for students wishing to pursue vocational studies and 22 awards will be for academic studies. The top winner in each category will receive \$1,500 and the remaining winners will receive \$1,000.

Eligibility requirements (applicants must meet **one** of the following):

1. Current GIA policyholder (or children of GIA policyholder)
2. Children of current GIA company employees
3. A previous recipient of a GIA scholarship

Please note that children or legal wards of officers, directors or agents of GIA are ineligible.

These scholarships may be used at any institution offering courses leading to a certificate or a degree in a recognized profession or vocation, including: community colleges, business colleges and technical institutes. Vocational scholarships are aimed specifically for those students not pursuing a college diploma, but seeking further education and/or training in a vocation often not covered by more traditional colleges or universities.

The committee will base its awards on the following:

- Complete and legible application
- Scholastic ability (official grade transcript required)
- Handwritten or typed Essay by Applicant

Ø Please tell us about yourself, your family and your future goals

Ø Also include any leadership or volunteer-related programs or projects in which you have been involved in high school, in the community, or elsewhere

Ø What college, university, or trade school do you plan to attend and how will this scholarship assist you

Application deadline is March 1, 2014. (Postmarked).

Please complete the following request form for an application for a Grange Insurance Association Scholarship:

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
Please send a GIA Scholarship Application to:

GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION
Attn: Scholarship Coordinator

P.O. Box 21089
Seattle, WA 98111-3089

Please send a GIA Scholarship Application to:

Name:

Address:

APPLICATION FORMS CAN ALSO BE DOWNLOADED AT OUR WEBSITE: www.grange.com

NOTICE OF 2014 ANNUAL POLICYHOLDERS' MEETING

The Annual Policyholders' meeting of the Grange Insurance Association will be held on Monday, March 17, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Grange Insurance Association, 200 Cedar Street, Seattle, Washington 98121.

All Grange Insurance Association policyholders are welcome to attend.

Signed at Seattle, Washington this 1st day of October 2013.

Rodney A. King, CIC, AFIS
Corporate Secretary
GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

GIA NEWS

ARTICLE BY RYAN M. DUDLEY, PRESIDENT & CEO OF GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

Making your home safer from wildfire.

In this edition I would like to share some information about wildfires and also give you some tips on making your property more wildfire resistant. But first, consider this:

- Over 740,000 residences in the western US are rated "High" or "Very High" for wildfire risk.

- From 2001 thru 2012, fourteen percent of the wildfires were ignited by lightning.

- Last year alone, lightning strikes caused 9,443 fires burning more than 6 Million acres in the US.

(References; CoreLogic Wildfire Hazard Risk Report. National Fire Protection Association, 2012)

While lightning may be the cause of many wildfires, their spread is most often caused by burning embers carried by the wind. A study conducted by the Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS) illustrates how these embers lead to fires even when fire resistant construction materials were used. To protect your home you must address ignition points caused by embers and fire spreading by means of radiant heat transfer or flame contact. Windborne embers can ignite building components, vegetation and other combustible items adjacent to or near a building which can then spread to your home.

Roofs are the most frequent ignition point from burning embers. Even with Class A (fire resistant) roofing, locations where the roof covering meets another material can be vulnerable to fire. Keep your roof

free from debris, clean out gutters and use fire resistant material to cover combustible material where it meets with the roof covering. Wind has a funny way of blowing embers under, around and into holes and crevices which can then spread the fire. A surprising number of fires spread to the interior of the home through vent pipes and open skylights. If you have to evacuate close all openings that would allow embers to be blown in. The IBHS study showed that roof eaves that were open were more likely to spread the fire due to access of embers into attics and crawlspaces. Consider enclosing your eaves if they are currently an open style.

Pay close attention to the area around your home. Leaves, needles and combustible landscaping material such as bark can catch embers which then flare up and spread the fire. The same applies to bushes and trees near or overhanging the home. Remove combustible material that is stored next to your home such as firewood. If you live in a remote area or one prone to wildfire it is recommended you maintain a 100 foot perimeter around your home clear of brush and other combustibles to create adequate defensible space, and hopefully save your home from fast-moving fire lines.

Hopefully you will never have to experience a wildfire as it can be a truly terrifying event. By using the right construction material in your home and completing regular maintenance chores such as removing roof debris and eliminating combustible material from the perimeter of your home, you can greatly reduce the risk of a spreading wildfire. Additionally having an evacuation plan that includes closing windows, vents, skylights, etc., is also wise.

I want to wish everyone a great autumn and express my thanks to those of you who have selected Grange Insurance Association for your insurance needs. We truly appreciate your business.

Grange Exchange

Clackamas County Fair

It was "Fun for the Whole Herd" at the 2013 Clackamas County Fair for Clackamas County Granges. Nine Subordinate/Community Granges along with the Pomona Grange and the Pomona Youth Program had booths in Horning Hall, the location of the Farm and Community organization displays. Exhibitors included adult farm community agricultural or historical organizations such as Granges, Farm Bureaus, Farmer's Unions and Historical Societies.

First Place went to Colton-Foothills Grange. Clarkes Grange was second and also the winner of the "People's Choice Award." The Sandy Grange received honorable mention. Booths were judged on appearance (*workmanship and staging, design, style, and originality, balance-attractiveness, quality of contents*), educational value (*representative of some aspect of county, non-commercial interest, history, product or agricultural specialty, interest to the public*) and adaptation to the theme.



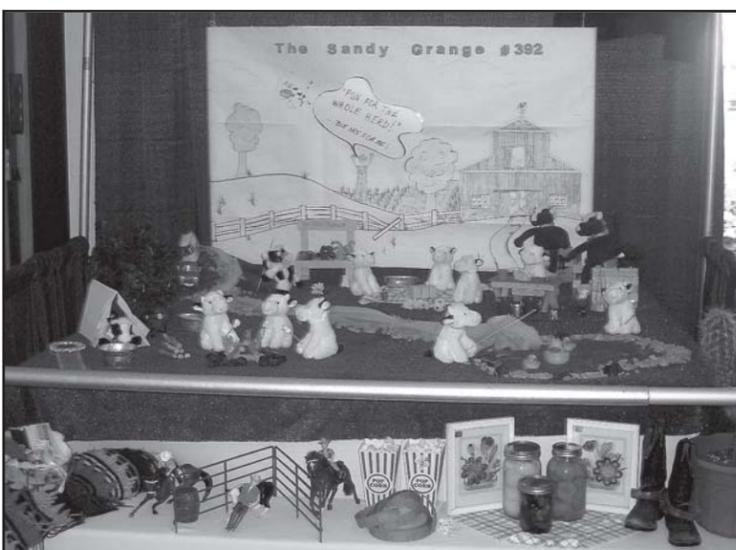
Life size cows greeted fair goers at the Clarkes Grange booth. Clarkes placed 2nd and was the 'People's Choice' winner.



lots of fresh and canned produce grown in Clackamas County were exhibited in the Colton-Foothills Grange display. Colton was the overall winner and runner-up in the 'People's Choice'.



The Clackamas Pomona Grange booth featured a picture and information about each of the Granges. It also contained Grange membership brochures and forms to request more information



The Sandy Grange booth featured many stuffed cows doing all kinds of fun things as well as items representing activities of the Grange. The Sandy received an honorable mention.

Deer Island #947

The Deer Island Grange is now accepting applications for the Don Coin Walrod Memorial Scholarship. This is a scholarship created by the Deer Island Grange for a Columbia County High School Senior. Applicants may attend a trade school, community college, or university of their choice, but must major in agriculture, forestry, or animal science.

Applications are available from each of the Columbia County High School Counselor's offices and must be post marked by January 31st, 2014. They should be mailed to: Don Coin Walrod Scholarship, Deer Island Grange, P.O. Box 438, Columbia City, Oregon 97018.

Please call or email if you have any questions. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Jani D Remsburg
Deer Island Grange Scholarship Chairman
503-396-3287



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with **BAKE SALE, BAZAAR, DOOR PRIZES, and MORE!**

Sunday, October 27th, 2013 – 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM

This is our major fundraiser of the year, providing the basic support needed to keep this community building operational.



Adults	\$10.00 (over 12 years old)
Children	\$5.00 (ages 4-12)
Toddlers	FREE! (under age 4)
All Dinners-to-Go	\$10.00 per dinner



Kinton Grange is located five miles west of Washington Square on Scholls Ferry Road and is ADA accessible.



We are collecting food for local families in need. Please bring a can of food to donate.

www.KintonGrange.org

For more information, please call Donna Nylander at 503-628-0873

World War 2 Vets Receive Certificates

Four members of Eagle Valley Grange #656 and the widow of one of their members received certificates from Potomac Grange #1 commemorating the World War Two veterans' flight to the WWII memorial in Washington, D.C. Master Walt Forsea, Overseer Fred Riggs, Steward Dale Chamberlain and Gatekeeper Walt Saunders, along with Jay Garrison who had since passed away were honored. The gentlemen attended school together and Dale Chamberlain was the first to join the Grange in 1941.

State Master, Susan Noah, presented the certificates to the four gentlemen and the widow of the fifth on May 8, 2013. According to a letter received from Eagle Valley Grange Secretary, Gayle Haga, the gentlemen "were deeply moved by the certificates honoring their service." The certificates are part of the Patriot's Program; adopted by delegate action at the 2012 National Convention and is sponsored by Potomac Grange #1, Washington, D.C.



Fruitdale #379

Fruitdale Grange Member Receives 65 Year Seal

Sister Myra Edmission, Master of Fruitdale Grange #379 received her 65 year membership seal at a special event on Saturday, September 28, 2013 in Grants Pass. State Master Susan Noah, along with her husband Mark Noah, were on hand to honor her and present her the seal to add to her 50 year Gold Sheaf Certificate. All present enjoyed a celebration cake following the presentation.

At the time she joined the Grange in 1948 the country was just recovering from World War 2. The first prefab post war housing to solve housing shortages were starting to appear in the US. The cost of a gallon of Gas was 16 cents and the average cost of a new car was \$1,250.00. And in Oregon on May 30th of that year was the Vanport Flood; a result of an above normal water level of the Columbia River that made its way through a railroad embankment and flooded the 648 acre city north of Portland.



Santiam Valley Grange #828

Our Turkey Dinner in September was its usual success (Of course it puts everyone in mind of the upcoming Holidays.) The dinner is always a great fundraiser for our Grange and this year was no exception. We had raffles and door prizes, the community businesses were great about contributing items for both, which benefits them as well as our Grange.

The Pancake Breakfast in October had a wonderful turn-out. Our cooks do a great job and everyone enjoys the food, camaraderie and of course our reasonable price helps too.

The first night of our annual "Haunted House" is behind us as I am writing this notice. By the time this bulletin comes out, it will be another "in the past" for the for the year 2012. Our plan is for it to be the usual success – we ask for a \$3 or 3 cans of food donation. All canned food will go to the Lyons Fire Dept. for them to put in food baskets for needy families at Christmas time.

We have again donated dictionaries to our local elementary school, MariLinn, here in Lyons. They are very much appreciated and according to the school the students do use them.

November 17th is our next Flea Market and we will have our usual lunch of hamburgers, potato salad, deviled eggs, dessert and drink. December 8th is our next pancake breakfast. Of course later in December Santa will make his annual visit.

Connie Frieden





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Recipe

We have this dessert once a year at Thanksgiving. It is courtesy of Paula Deen. I substitute Splenda with great results so John can have this too.

Pumpkin Cheesecake
 Crust: 1 3/4 C graham cracker crumbs
 3 T light brown sugar
 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
 1 stick melted butter
 Filling: 3 packages room temp cream cheese (8 oz)
 1 15 oz can pureed pumpkin
 3 eggs plus 1 egg yolk
 1/4 C sour cream
 1 1/2 C sugar
 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
 1/8 tsp. fresh ground nutmeg
 1/8 tsp. ground cloves
 2 T all purpose flour
 1 tsp. vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 350 degrees
 Mix crust. Press into a 9" spring form pan. Set aside For filling. Beat cream cheese until smooth. Add pumpkin puree, eggs, egg yolk, sour cream, sugar and the spices. Add flour and vanilla. Beat together until well combined.
 Pour into crust. Spread out evenly and place in oven for 1 hour. Remove from oven and let sit for 15 minutes. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for 4 hours or overnight. I serve with whipped cream.
 Enjoy,
 Fraternally,
 Peggy Fine, State Chaplain



Rick Martin shearing a sheep at the Log Cabin at the Oregon State Fair on Ag. Day.

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Elias Utt, Davy Jones, Tomy Jones, Shoshana Gold, and Ethan Utt having fun at the Log Cabin at the Oregon State Fair on Jr. Day.