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Left-right: Alex Coe, Audrey Van Houten, Aurianna Van Houten, Elias Utt and Jessie Jo Guttridge, show off the 973 items collected for the "Keeping Oregon Warm" project.

## Keeping Oregon Warm a Success

Oregon's Youth and Young Adults accepted the challenge from Washington State Grange's youth to participate in "Keeping Oregon Warm" by collecting winter wear (gloves or mittens, hats, stocking caps, scarves, and socks). These items, either handmade or store bought, were brought to the State Grange Convention in June. They were sorted, counted and then packed up and sent home with Grangers from the counties in the District #2 to be distributed where they are most needed.



Sorting and boxing items to be sent home with are, left - right: Jessie Jo Guttridge and Elias Utt.

Connie Suing, Oregon's Youth and Young Adults Director said "I never dreamed when we decided to participate in "Keeping Oregon Warm" that it would be such a great success." And a success it was; 973 items were collected. Some of the boxes of items have already been delivered to shelters, etc in the host

counties; others will be distributed closer to winter.

Oregon's Youth and Young Adults are looking forward to working on this project again next year with a goal of collecting 1200 items. A big thank you goes to the Granges and Grangers who stepped up to the challenge. Many people will be a little warmer this year because of your generosity.



The crafters of Rickreall Grange #671, Polk County, display some of the 80 hats they made for the "Keeping Oregon Warm" project. Left - right: Nona Lambert, Blanche Pryor, Betty Lalack, and Dennis Woitte.



The Court of Flora (left to right standing) Attendants Maggie Swartzendruber, Kiri Daufel, Jessie Jo Guttridge, Stacy Clute, Grace Hays and Payton Miller. (sitting) Pomona Mikela Heimuller, Flora Eva Frost and Ceres Liz Dehne. In front Benny, a service dog being trained by Stacy.

## 144th Annual Oregon State Grange Convention June 24-29

This year the Oregon State Grange Convention was held at Florence on the Oregon coast. Attendance for the six days was 258 with 63 Subordinate/Community and eleven Pomona Granges represented.

Eighty-five resolutions were voted on with many issues debated. A highlight of the Legislative part of the convention was a report on the ongoing opposition by Grangers to Oregon Senate Bill 181 which if adopted would have subjected many Oregon non-profits to yearly reporting to their county assessor or face losing their exemption from property taxes. It was unclear if this would have affected all Granges or only some Granges, depending on how they were registered, but would have for sure affected many of the Grange's non-profit partners. During convention the pressure on the legislature, which was still in session, was stepped up with a social media, email and postcard campaign. More than 80 postcards were sent from convention attendees to their legislators reminding them of the Grange's opposition to SB181. The bill, adopted by the senate, died in the house committee upon adjournment in July.



AS Phil Van Buren and LAS Louise Holst with the marching candidates for the 6th Degree; forty-three candidates received the 6th Degree.

Another highlight of the convention was the pep rally for the GrangeUp '17 program where 7 Up floats were served in GrangeUp '17 mugs. For more coverage of this event turn to page 24. More photo from convention are scattered throughout the paper with color on pages 12-13.

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## The Master's Column

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### Highlights of State Convention

Another State Convention has come and gone! During the week we worked over 80 resolutions that set policy for the coming year, we enjoyed the talent contest, we were blessed to have youth and juniors present and presenting their programs, and the GrangeUp pep rally energized us at the end of a long day. In short we had a great week! I want to thank all our members who came and took part in the activities. My only regret is that we only had members present from 68 Subordinate Granges. Next year let's get that number up to over 100!

We welcomed our National Master, Sister Betsy Huber, who spent the week with us. I hope each member present took time to talk to Sister Betsy, and to welcome her to our great state. I know she had a good time and felt welcomed by all.

One of the resolutions adopted will change the minimum fee for Life Memberships. The current life membership minimum fee is \$250. As of September 1<sup>st</sup> this will increase to \$450 in an effort to keep pace with the annual dues. The resolution actually says that the new minimum fee will be ten times the annual dues, so any rise in our dues structure will also raise the life membership fee. If your Grange is charging the minimum fee of \$250 you will have to raise your fee to \$450. If your Grange is already charging more than \$450 you are still in compliance.

We also reiterated our support for funding the Department of Veterans Affairs and have pledged our support for legislation that supports the at-risk and disadvantaged senior citizen

population of Oregon's rural counties. Information on all of the adopted resolutions can be found on our website.

SB181 was also the topic of a few of the resolutions. We not only passed a resolution expressing our opposition to this bill, but many of our members also sent postcards to their State Legislator. Our new Lobbyist, Craig Loughridge, followed this bill very closely and finally announced that as of the close of the 2017 Oregon legislative session, the bill had not come out of committee. I want to congratulate all the members who stepped up to write to their representative, or took the time to give testimony at one of the hearings. I believe that we had one of the strongest voices opposing this bill.

### GrangeUp

If you weren't at the State Convention you missed the pep rally Monday night where we celebrated the successes we have seen with the GrangeUp program, and encouraged all to keep up the momentum. While we still have a long way to go, we are seeing a net gain as of the second quarter! Remember the state office can supply you with brochures, Bulletins & GrangeUp buttons if you have an event coming up. Just let us know what you need, and we will be happy to send it out. Increases in membership go a long ways toward helping your Grange make a difference in the community. And remember at the end of the year three lucky and hardworking Granges will win a cash prize and six will win an ice cream social! So keep adding members and get your percentage up there!



### Bailey Barks!

Well it has been a great summer so far, river walks with Dad and trips to Dutch Bros, where they know my name and give me "my usual." I've also been spending some time with the babysitter while Mom and Dad travel to various Grange events. Except that I did get to go with them to Wallowa County, and let's just say that Hurricane Creek Grange experienced the "Bailey whirlwind" and that Sara Wilson will probably not leave an unattended cookie sitting at Bailey eye level again!

Mom told me that there were several

several cute baskets entered in the "Bailey's Good Dog GWA Contest" that I sponsor each year, and that they were all donated to a local shelter in Florence. So thank you for those donations to the Good Dogs in Florence! While they are waiting for their Forever Home they will have good food and great fun! Sort of like being in a Grange!

I hope you all have great summer plans. My fun trip is to Miller Lake and it's coming up soon!

Woof, Bailey

### State Fair

It's fair time and as usual we are looking for volunteers to help in the log cabin at the State Fair. Each volunteer receives a pass into the fair in return for working a three-hour shift. This year in honor of our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary we are handing out backpacks to elementary age school children along with a few school supplies. The backpacks will be printed with our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo and the words *The Oregon State Grange "Backs" Education*. Please come and volunteer. Who knows, you may meet your next Grange member while serving in the log cabin! Also new this year, each volunteer will get their name in a drawing for a couple of \$50 visa cards. Each volunteer shift you complete will get you another entry for the drawing. Also, since parking is no longer free, you will be reimbursed \$5 for parking during your shift at the fair.

### Sign Program

I am pleased to announce that shortly before our State Convention, the Executive Committee made the decision to keep the sign program going for one more year. Remember the signs must be installed before collecting funds and need to have your Grange name, meeting date and time. The State Grange will reimburse one half of your fee with a cap at \$350 (\$700 total sign cost). Take advantage of this program to make sure your Grange is well identified in the community.

Enjoy the remaining days of summer and get ready for your 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration! New members are out there waiting to join so let them know that we are now accepting applications and hope that they will join our family fraternity!

### Letters to the Editor Policy

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- The maximum length of a Letter to the Editor is 250 words.
- Letters to the Editor may be edited for length and clarity.
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## 2017 Lecturer Contest Winners

### Talent

- Vocal**  
 1st Joe Wrabek  
 Fairview #273  
 2nd Jimmy Schaper and Kira  
 Carver  
 Dorena #835  
 3rd Dave Coen  
 Little Deschutes #939
- Variety**  
 1st Kailey McKay  
 Fairmont #252  
 2nd Jesse O'Dell and Riley  
 Reynolds  
 Santiam Valley #828  
 3rd Klamath Comedy Club



**Overall Talent Winner**  
 Kailey McKay

### Photography

- Scenic**  
 1st Morgan Green  
 Forest Grove #282  
 2nd Emma Gronset  
 Forest Grove #282  
 3rd Teresa Cernac  
 Warren #536
- Close-Up**  
 1st Suzy Ramm  
 Springwater #263  
 2nd Emma Gronset  
 Forest Grove #282  
 3rd Amy Anderson  
 Sunnyside #842
- Family**  
 1st Morgan Green  
 Forest Grove #282  
 2nd Marissa Schindale  
 Warren #536  
 3rd Stacy Clute  
 Forest Grove #282
- Pet/Farm Animals**  
 1st Morgan Green  
 Forest Grove #282  
 2nd Amy Anderson  
 Sunnyside #842  
 3rd Megan Schofield  
 Ada #570
- Wild Animals**  
 1st Cat Thomas  
 Harding #122  
 2nd Stacy Clute  
 Forest Grove #282  
 3rd Roger Fiscus  
 Fairfield #720



### Art

- Oil and Acrylics**  
 1st Ann Rawlins  
 Mohawk-Mckenzie #747  
 2nd Marilyn Martin  
 Eagle Creek #297  
 3rd Marilyn Martin  
 Eagle Creek #297
- Water Color**  
 1st Alicia Nilsen  
 Goshen #561
- Charcoal, Pencil or Chalk**  
 2nd Riley Reynolds  
 Santiam Valley #828
- Pen and Ink**  
 1st Briana Herrick  
 Walterville #416  
 2nd Alicia Nilsen  
 Goshen #561  
 3rd Mary Brott  
 Terrebonne #662
- Pastels**  
 1st Chloe LaCrosse  
 Phoenix #779  
 2nd Alicia Nilsen  
 Goshen #561
- Flyer**  
 1st Loni Schofield  
 Ada #570  
 2nd Suzy Ramm  
 Springwater #263  
 3rd Cat Thomas  
 Harding #122
- Poster**  
 1st Alicia Nilsen  
 Goshen #561
- Pamphlet**  
 1st Clarkes Grange #261
- Program**  
 1st Elizabeth Williams  
 Fairmont #252  
 2nd Linda Wetzell  
 Goshen #561  
 3rd Linda Wetzell  
 Goshen #561
- Photography**  
**Oldies/Goodies**  
 1st Suzy Ramm  
 Springwater #263  
 2nd Teresa Cernac  
 Warren #536  
 3rd Mary Lambert  
 Goshen #561
- Grange Activities**  
 1st Teresa Cernac  
 Warren #536  
 2nd Eva Frost  
 Warren #536  
 3rd Loni Schofield  
 Ada #570
- Holidays**  
 1st Amy Anderson  
 Sunnyside #842  
 2nd Suzy Ramm  
 Springwater #263  
 3rd Amy Anderson  
 Sunnyside #842
- Potpourri**  
 1st Emma Gronset  
 Forest Grove #282  
 2nd Dixie Hegge  
 Fairfield #720  
 3rd Emma Gronset  
 Forest Grove #282

**Overall Photography Winner**  
 Suzy Ramm - Springwater #263

## The Lecturer's Column

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## Baton Twirler Headed to National

We started our convention with a delicious Swiss steak dinner at the kick-off banquet and a wonderful talent show. Thank you to all our talent contestants. Thank you to Melissa High for being a most knowledgeable stage manager during the show. Those of us who get stage fright are in awe of people who seem born to the stage. Watching and listening to these performances I am overcome with deep admiration.

Our overall winner this year was a newcomer to Grange, Kailey McKay who tossed and caught her batons with ease. She will represent the Oregon State Grange at the National Convention in November. I know that she will wow them in Spokane as she did us in Florence. We had eight entrants who wowed the judges and last year's winner Carmel Valencia sang just to entertain us.

As this was my first official convention I relied heavily on my committee to check in art, photos and "paper items", flyers, programs, poetry and stories. I knew that it was a process but didn't realize that it took many hands to get everything set up, ready for viewing and judging. I also relied heavily on my partner (Wayne Cabler) to help haul and carry all the Lecturer photo stands that weigh a ton. Thank you to Becky Brier, Dan LeBrun, Cody Dunsmuir, Carmel Valencia, Melissa High and Vicki High for getting us up and running. I asked Roberta O'Dell for help and she didn't hesitate to say I'd be delighted. I'm delighted to let everyone know that all six district chairs are now filled.

### Pen in Hand

- Poetry**  
 1st Heather Elliott  
 Ada #570  
 2nd Cathy Assad  
 Redland #796  
 3rd Theresa Thorud  
 Washington #313
- Tell a Story**  
 1st Elvare Fine  
 Hurricane Creek #608  
 2nd Sara Wilson  
 Columbia #867  
 3rd Theresa Thorud  
 Washington #313
- Skit Writing - Humorous**  
 1st Sara Wilson  
 Columbia #867  
 2nd Theresa Thorud  
 Washington #313  
 3rd Alicia Nilsen  
 Goshen #561

### Lecturer's Committee

- |            |                 |
|------------|-----------------|
| District 1 | Carmel Valencia |
| District 2 | Roberta O'Dell  |
| District 3 | Theresa Thorud  |
| District 4 | Dan LeBrun      |
| District 5 | Vicki High      |
| District 6 | David McBride   |
| At large   | Becky Brier     |

Thank you each and every one for your contribution in making this a successful Lecturer's display. There were a total of 210 entries in all the contests. I hope we can double that for next year in Astoria.

I plan to add some new categories for next year. I know that unlike the GWA department the Lecturer does not have individuals sponsoring any of the categories. If you would like to sponsor a photo, art or pen and ink category please let me know.


When you receive this issue of the paper Western Regionals will have concluded. I will have gone and had a great time again as I did last year. We will have been to Knott's Berry Farm. I will have ridden as many rides as I can, as I can't seem to get that kid part out of me.

I plan on traveling to National Convention in Spokane to be part of the Oregon officers, exemplification the 6th Degree. I plan to gather ideas from our National Lecturer Chris Hamp and bring them back to Oregon to share with the members.

The 2018 calendar is in the planning stages and appears to be just as great as last year; thank you Cat Thomas and Sandi Ludi. If everyone bought a calendar to use or gift to someone, the Membership and Lecturer Departments would be so appreciative. Half of the profits go to the Lecturer's Department and will be used for the Talent Travel Fund. I put together the "guess the amount of candy in the container" and Joyce Parker had the closest guess. She took home 191 pieces of candy and the Lecturer fund received \$84.

I am so looking forward to gathering and sharing new or recycling old ideas for programs for this coming year. Don't hesitate to contact me with concerns and questions. If I don't have the answer I will help to find it. I am also looking forward to celebrating that 150 year milestone with my fellow Grangers.





**The  
Chaplain's Corner**  
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What a year it has been. What troubles me the most is the extreme hate and discontent that is all around. The stabbings in Portland, the news of mothers killing their children and children killing their parents. It is all so virulent and so repulsive. It makes us want to run and hide. Anything to make ourselves, our children and our friends safe. I wake up every morning and dread turning on the news. It is so negative and so focused on reporting the bad, the sensational and none of the good. It is no wonder Americans have become desensitized to the pain and suffering of others. We went through an awful political campaign year with name calling, insinuations and finger pointing. We became a nation divided not united.

A few years ago, John and I and our three oldest grandchildren spent six weeks on the east coast. We visited Gettysburg where our nation's heroes fought for the right to be free. We spent time at Monticello where Thomas Jefferson's brilliance and bravery came to life and George Washington's estate at Mount Vernon where much of our knowledge on vegetables and fruits got its beginning. We spent nine days in our country's capital, another week or two in Arlington National Cemetery, Colonial Williamsburg, Yorktown and Jamestown.

What impressed us the most is what our founding fathers were really like: selfless, brave, honest and forward thinking. They risked their lives writing the Declaration of Independence and on July 2, 1776 the Second Continental Congress declared this country independent. They risked their very lives signing that document and fully expected to die for their beliefs.

We have come such a long way in what we look for in our leaders.

## Midland Grange Joins In Wreath Laying



Now our nation is a product of our nation turning its back on God, doing what is best for me and not we. And look at what we have become.

We have in our organization a small but significant answer to today's strife and hate. We can look at our own community and search out ways to help, not hinder; to offer understanding, not hate; to display leadership, not blind following; to offer legislative answers, not useless ranting and raving.

In our own lives, we have the answer in the very words that Christ gave us in John 15:12, 13, "This is my commandment, that you love one another the way I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends." This is the kind of love our forefathers had for us. It is the kind of love that Christ commanded (not suggested) that we have for each other.

St. Francis of Assisi phrased it this way when he prayed;

*"O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, To be understood as to understand, To be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned; It is in dying that we are born to eternal life!"*

May this be our prayer for ourselves and our nation.

Once again it has been a pleasure for me to serve as your Chaplain. I hope that in some way I have encouraged you or given you comfort. May God bless you all.

On May 29th members of Midland Grange #781 in Klamath County went to Veterans Park in Klamath Falls to attend the Memorial Day Service. The service started promptly at 11am with a fly over by two F-15 fighter jets from Kingsley Field, followed by singing, speeches and then the placement of the wreaths. About twenty organizations from the basin area placed wreaths at the Veterans Memorial.

Left: Bonnie Sims and Phil Van Buren wait to place the Grange wreath.

## In Memoriam

*Edith Wettlaufer  
Clarkes Grange #261*

*Charles Blazer  
Crow Grange #450*

*Ruth Walter  
Hope Grange #269*

*Verne Ivy  
Irving Grange #377*

*Juanita Higgins  
Kellogg Grange #811*

*Dorieta Shumaker  
Morning Star Grange #311*

*Ruth Lorraine Kiel  
Pine Forest Grange #632*

*Christine Anderson  
Russellville Grange #353*

*Carol Anderson  
White Clover Grange #784*



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

## New Signs On Walterville Building

The white wooden building on Camp Creek Road has been referred to in various ways over the years, most often as the "Grange Hall." On Memorial Day, Walterville Grangers installed a replacement sign for the Walterville Community Center.

The old sign that identified the building as the "George Millican Memorial Community Center" was taken down several years ago when the hall was painted. This year Grangers decided it was time to rededicate the hall to the community and replace the sign. The other sign was repainted, with "Historic Meeting Hall" added to recognize the significance of the building. People are invited to stop by and check out the hall as well as the signs.

Left - right:  
D u m m o n d  
Evans, Vinita  
Bishop, Tyler  
Manthei, Denise  
Bishop, Brenda  
Holthaus, Gwen  
Gazeley, Alison  
Hennes and Jeff  
Dehne (on the  
ladder).



## Chetco Grange Has Float in Parade

In May the members of Chetco Grange #765, Curry County, created a float for the annual Azalea Festival Parade held over Memorial Day weekend in Brookings. The float celebrated the 150th Anniversary of the Grange.

In December they will continue the 150th celebration holding the community Chari Tree event. Decorated Christmas Trees will be auctioned off to support area non-profit organizations. The event will include the a special cake in honor of the 150th year celebration of the National Grange.



Chetco's float celebrated 150 Years of Grange.



## Adopted Resolutions That Changed Grange By-laws or Operations

**BL #2: Update Deaf Awareness/Family Health Committee Name**  
**Resolved:** Oregon State Grange change "Deaf Activities" to "Deaf Awareness" in the following sections: 1.13.10(d)(2), 1.15.1(a), 1.15.5, 3.8.3, 4.15.2

**BL #3: Election Board for Preferential Election**

**Resolved:** **Article 1 Section 9, Preferential Election 1.9.1** be changed to read: "Not later than April 1 of the year in which a Preferential Election is to be held as herein provided, the Master of the Oregon State Grange shall appoint an Election Board, consisting of six Pomona Masters, **Past Pomona Masters, County Deputies, and/or past state officers** and other members as needed. The Board shall canvass the reported ballots of Preferential Election and report its findings to the State Master."

**BL #4: Nomination Deadlines for State Officers**

**Resolved:** **Article 1 Section 8, Officer Nominations 1.8.1 (a)** be changed to read: "At any regular meeting in **November or December of odd years** or January of even years, Subordinate/ Community Granges may, by majority vote, present the names of members to become candidates for the offices of the Oregon State Grange. The names of such members must be presented by a minimum of one Subordinate/ Community Grange before their names can be entered on the Preferential Election ballot." And be it further

**Resolved:** **Article 1 Section 8, Officer Nominations 1.8.1 (c)** be changed to read: "The names presented shall be filed by mail or electronic means with the State Office not later than 5:00 p.m. **January 25**. Results of the nominations listing all members receiving one or more nominations and the Granges from which they were received shall be published in the February issue of the Grange Bulletin."

**BL #5: Life Membership Minimum Fee**

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange raise the minimum fee for a Life Membership to ten times the minimum annual dues and rewrite **Article 4, Section 7.2 Life Membership** of the By-laws to read: (a) The minimum fee for a Life Membership for a current member shall not be less than **ten times the minimum annual dues**. A Grange may increase the minimum fee charged for such Life Memberships by making a provision in its By-Laws.

**BL #6: Life Membership Interest Returns**

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange shall credit the interest return from the annual Life Membership return for each Subordinate/ Community Grange from the second quarter report bill before being sent. And be it further

**Resolved:** Oregon State Grange By-Laws section of Life Membership, sub-section 4.7.10 **Investment Income Return, section (a)** be rewritten to read: "(a) By the fifteenth (15th) day of **May** the income generated by the investment of the Life Membership Fund be credited to the participating Subordinate/ Community Granges. This income shall be paid on a pro-rata basis determined by the balance of the Life Membership Fund at the beginning of the previous year. **No later than the second quarterly report, the income generated by the investments of the Life Membership shall be credited against the amount of dues to be paid by the Subordinate/ Community Grange for the second quarter.**"

**BL #7: Pomona Grange Dues**

**Resolved:** **Article 3 (Pomona Grange) Section 4 Dues** have the following added: "3.4.4 If a Subordinate/Community Grange is not part of an organized Pomona district, then the Pomona dues collected shall be held in trust for the district that Grange is a member of and then forwarded to the State Grange hosting district that Grange is part of instead of being paid to a Pomona Grange. These funds shall be forwarded in February of the year that district is hosting State Grange."

**BL #8: State Executive Committee Members**

**Resolved:** **Section 8, Officer Nominations 1.8.1(b)** be changed to read: "Nominees for the offices of Executive Committee shall be a member of a Grange within the counties assigned to the position and shall be nominated and elected by the state at large. These

## Minimum Fee for a Life Membership Raised Effective September 1, 2017

After much discussion By-laws Resolution #5 Life membership Minimum Fee was adopted at this year's annual OSG convention. For the last several conventions there have been resolutions to raise the minimum fee but this is the first time the fee has been tied to the amount of dues paid.

Effective September 1, 2017 the **minimum fee for a Life Membership will be not less than ten times the minimum annual dues**. Current minimum annual dues are \$45 so that makes the **minimum fee for Life Membership \$450**. This is just the minimum. A Grange may increase the minimum fee charged for such Life Memberships by making a provision in its By-Laws. Also if (when) Grange dues go up in the future the minimum fee

will automatically rise as well.

At current interest rates this will not solve the problem between what the annual dues for a member is and what a Grange receives from the Life Membership Fund but is a step in the right direction. This does not affect those members who already have Life Memberships, only those buying memberships after September 1, 2017.

Granges are encouraged to look at their By-laws and consider raising their Life Membership fee above the minimum required by the State Grange By-laws. Additionally, Granges that have the Life Membership program in their By-laws may need to update them with the new minimum fee.

### UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS

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

Pomona	Date	Time	Meeting Place
Baker #24	August 12	10:30 AM	Elkhorn Grange
Benton #36	October 21	10:30 AM	Fairmount Grange
Clackamas #1	September 23	6:00 PM	Boring-Damascus
Columbia #18	August 5	10:00 AM	TBA
Deschutes #25	August 12	11:30 AM	Midland Grange
Douglas #13	October 28	6:00 PM	Riversdale Grange
Jackson #27	November 11	10:00 AM	TBA
Josephine #20	August 30	10:00 AM	Sunny Valley Grange
Lane #14	October 14	10:00 AM	Goldson
Lincoln #10	August 19	10:30 AM	Salmon River Grange
Linn #12	October 14	10:00 AM	Lacomb Grange
Marion #4	October 10	6:00 PM	Silverton
Polk #3	October 21	10:00 AM	Oak Grove Grange
Tillamook #9			TBA
Umatilla-Morrow #26	August 26	10:30 AM	Picnic-Boardman City Park
Wallowa #22	October 14	10:00 AM	North End Grange
Washington-Yamhill #2	October 28	10:00 AM	Tigard Grange

positions to be as follows: Position 1 - Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, and Polk counties. Position 2 - Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Hood River, Multnomah, Sherman, Tillamook, Wasco, Washington and Yamhill counties. Position 3 - Baker, Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, and Wheeler counties.

**BL #9: Lower Mileage Reimbursement Rate**

**Resolved:** The reimbursement rate for the Oregon State Grange be lowered to \$0.30 mile effective July 1, 2017.

**GO #1: Oregon State Grange Lobbyist**

**Resolved:** Oregon State Grange hire a lobbyist to make sure our voice is heard at the Oregon Legislature every legislative session.

**GO #6: Translating Brochures**

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange shall at the request of any Oregon Subordinate/ Community or Pomona Grange produce foreign language recruitment/ membership application brochures electronically as budget and skills allow.

**GPA #1: Adopt the Youth Fair Program**

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange adopt the Grange Youth Fair Program. And be it further

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange appoint a committee to work with the Youth and Junior Grange programs and with State and County Fair authorities to implement this program. This committee will also oversee the rules and ethics requirements for participants in this program.

**GPA #3: Change in Roster Requirements**

**Resolved:** The County Deputies be notified and requested to get the information for all Granges that have not sent their information in by December 1.





## The Agricultural Report

Jay Sexton  
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OSG Agriculture Director

I would like to congratulate John Eveland and Sally Brewer as the recipients of the OSG Agriculturalists of the Year Award for 2017. They applied together as they said they could never have achieved what they have without their supportive partnership.

They are members of Marys River #685 in Philomath and own Gathering Together Farm which they began, just the two of them, 30 years ago on five acres. Now at 60 acres they have gross sales of \$2.5 million, with an annual payroll of \$1.2 million and seasonal employment of up to 120 people. Their organic farm annually participates in eight farmers markets, including four simultaneous Saturday markets. They also run a roadside farm stand and a highly regarded farm restaurant, serving dishes featuring their farm produce. The kitchen bakes their own bread and pastries, and makes their pasta.

These farmers have mentored many young farmers, hosted tours and conferences, and been active in the development of organic techniques and global standards. They have played a major role in organizing and sponsoring a monthly medical clinic for under-insured farm workers and their families, which is hosted at Marys River Grange Hall. John and Sally were also pivotal in recruiting almost 50 new Grange members in 2009 when Marys River Grange voted to close, after the remaining older members lost hope of being perpetual.



*Elise Higley of Our Family Farms shared her organization as an advocate for small farmers and their goals, re-localization and protection of small farms, and how her organization can work with the Grange at the Monday morning Ag Conference at the OSG Convention.*



*Left: Genie Harden, Spencer Creek Grange spoke on Starting a Grange sponsored Farmers Market at the Thursday morning Ag Conference at the OSG Convention.*

On another tack, in Salem there was some good news. HB 3249 was passed to establish the Oregon Agricultural Heritage Fund. This collaboration between agriculture and conservation groups will develop programs and strategies for Oregon farmers to take advantage of federal and other grant programs, promote conservation of working agricultural lands, and developed programs for succession in agricultural lands.

HB 2038 passed to provide \$4.5 million for Farm to School purchases of Oregon agricultural products by schools. This was after early budget proposals had zero funding for this program.

SB 181A was not brought to a vote after widespread concern about negative effects on non-profits like the Grange. This bill would have required a new annual report to the county assessor for each tax exempt organization. The assessor would judge the validity of the tax exempt status and be able to assess a penalty of five years taxes at 16% interest to those judged undeserving. The Grange was concerned about possible harm and we are pleased this did not become law.

At the Oregon State Grange Convention the Agriculture Committee had an interesting Ag Tour, visiting a farmers market and hearing about local marine fishing. We also had two conferences with good speakers. Hope more of you can come to the State Grange Convention in Astoria in 2018.



*Students in Lake Creek K-5 School's Little Gardener Program show off some of the produce raised in their garden.*

## Lake Creek Grange #697 Supports School's Little Gardener Program

The Lake Creek Grange in Jackson County helped support the 2016-17 Lake Creek K-5 school's Little Gardener Program. As a result of the Grange donation, each student planted seeds in a pot for Valentine Day, made a succulent garden in a cup for Mother's Day, and planted a marigold in a boot for Father's Day. To thank the Grange, students made little succulent planter centerpieces for the Grange's Mother's Day breakfast. The centerpieces went home with mothers who attended.

Awareness of the Lake Creek Grange and Lake Creek School connection has had a ripple effect. Several breakfast attendees have donated pots and plants to the Little Gardener Program. Plans for the 2017-18 school year, again supported by the Grange, will include projects that teach Little Gardeners gardening techniques and spread the word with take home gifts.

## Sauvies Island Grange Sponsored Talk On Island Geology

The Sauvies Island Grange in Multnomah County sponsored a free talk June 19th by Dr. Scott Burns, Portland State University retired professor of Geology, on the past and future of the landscape on and around Sauvies Island, its geologic history, how it was formed and what is expected to happen there when The Big One (earthquake) occurs.



*Above: The Geology presentation at Sauvies Island Grange was well-attended. It was arranged by Grange member John Eccles and was open to the community.*



*Granges members heard from Jay Cable of Bridgeport Market and Wine Shop about the marine fishing in the Florence area on the Saturday morning Ag tour.*

## Letters to the Editor...

Dear Oregon Grangers,

Having just spent 5 days attending my first annual State Grange convention in Florence, I want to share some reflections. First and foremost I was impressed by the all-encompassing sense of comradery, family and long term commitment shown by all present. I felt a great sense of appreciation for the history and traditions that keep the Grange Alive! Also, the talent show was excellent!

I joined Williams Grange 20 years ago to help revive a chapter that was on the verge of dissolving; for community involvement, benefit from an existing organization and presence of a physical building. It is only recently that I became aware of the larger organization and the Grange's political influence through the State convention and legislative process.

This year Bellview Grange decided to participate in the State Grange resolution and legislative process. Thus, I became a delegate this year and we submitted 9 resolutions for consideration.

My experience at the state convention was very much a learning process as doing something for the first time often is. I learned some do's and don'ts about how to be more effective, that we need to do more research and to get experienced help writing resolutions. For the most part my experience was positive and I look forward to doing it again. There were a few disheartening moments, though, concerning 2 or 3 of our perhaps more controversial resolutions.

It felt to us that someone used the political process to cut the comments short and prematurely call for a vote. At the initial formation of the committees, we were instructed to honor the time and effort members took to submit their resolutions and each should be given sincere consideration. It felt that the committees did this but those instructions seemed to fall short in the general assembly. The disappointment came, not necessarily in the resolutions being defeated in the vote but by the fact that those of us who actually wrote the resolutions were not able to explain our sense of urgency or our reasoning behind the resolution because of a motion to end the comments, which then led to a vote. My compatriots and I felt very incomplete.

Sincerely,  
Daniel (Danny) Gregg - Bellview Grange #759 - Ashland, Oregon

P.S. Thanks to all the people who encouraged me at the convention to not give up and come back!!

In response from the Worthy State Master, Susan Noah

*I appreciate the spirit of Brother Gregg's letter and am gratified that a member who is new to our convention felt accepted and comfortable. It is certainly what I would expect from our family organization.*

*However, I want to clarify one point in the letter. What Brother Gregg is referring to is the motion for the Previous Question, which cuts off debate. I want to assure everyone that this motion was made following much discussion. As presiding officer I would consider a Previous Question motion out of order if it were made at the beginning of the discussion on a resolution. Parliamentary Procedure exists to guide discussion to an eventual decision.*

## OSG Volunteer of the Year

Jay Sexton, Marys River Grange #685 in Benton County was honored by Community Service Director Eva Frost as the 2017 Oregon State Grange Volunteer of the Year. The Volunteer of the Year award recognizes a Grange member who is a dedicated volunteer in their community.



## Community Service

Eva Frost

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OSG Community Service and Involvement Director

The **Volunteer of the Year Award** was presented at the State Convention in Florence to Jay Sexton of Marys River #685. Jay is an active member in his Community, Pomona and State Grange. He works hard at maintaining and improving Marys River Grange hall to make it more energy efficient for the meetings and community gatherings. As State Ag Director he represents the State Grange at fairs, FFA and other events. He demonstrates a caring attitude by volunteering to help any member of the Grange or the community who may need help in searching for housing, moving or securing financial assistance. He volunteers for the County Parks Commission, the local sustainable coalition, serves as Treasurer of the College of Philomath Barkley Hall, and volunteers to assist Senior Dog Rescue. He is an avid disc golfer and works to promote the sport, putting many hours to develop the public Willamette Disc Golf and Adair Village courses. He is always willing to lend a helping hand wherever he is needed.

Oregon State Grange receives prize money (\$250) from the National Grange if 25% of Granges send in their **Annual Community Service Report**. **YES, we made it!** Thank you for your participation in this program. All participating Granges will receive a recognition certificate for their Annual Report and/or Yearbook. Your certificate will be mailed to your Grange. In the Yearbook judging the first place winner is Dorena #835. They received \$100 prize money, and their yearbook will be sent to National Grange in November. Second place is Spencer Creek #855; they received \$75. Third place is Walterville #416; they received \$50. Fourth place is Lorane #54; they received \$25.

Oregon is one of the few States that does not require non-profits to report

volunteer hours to maintain their non-profit status, but with rules becoming tighter for non-profits, this could soon be a requirement. Everything counts as volunteer hours on your **Annual Report**, when you volunteer for your Grange and/or within the community. This includes the time spent at your Grange meetings planning activities as well as during the events themselves.

Many Pomona Granges participate in their county fair and other functions that involve members and non-members. I invite Pomona Granges to fill out an annual report for the 2017 year.

National Grange is continuing the "Dick Patten Community Service Person of the Year Award" to recognize a **Law Enforcement Officer (LEO)**, **Firefighter (FF)**, and **Teacher of the Year**. We all know that these public servants do an outstanding job of serving our community. Your Grange may have recognized one or more of them at your event this year. Application forms have been sent to each Grange and can also be found on the State Grange website. Send your nomination to me by **September 15, 2017**. Your application will be judged, the first place winner from each category will be sent to National Grange to be judged, and winners announced at the National Convention in Spokane this November. Please attach pictures, news articles or supporting paperwork, if you have them.

A Big Thanks to my Community Service District Chairs. This is truly a year of awesomeness and partnership. They have all visited Granges in their District and delivered their boxes and banners. I know a few of them stepped out of their "comfort zone" to reach this objective. I am very PROUD of them all.

Thanks for your service.

Right: Linda Cook, PMP, the Emergency Management Program Manager of the Lane County Sheriff's Office spoke at the Monday Community Service conference about the work she is doing with Lane County Granges and how Granges around the state can work with their community emergency personnel.



VOLUNTEER





## Deaf Awareness and Family Health

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OSG Deaf Awareness ~ Family Health Director

### GrangeUp At The Oregon State Fair

We need your help at the State Fair in Salem. Visitors to the Log Cabin at the fair are often unaware of the Grange and its ability to make a difference in their own communities. Please consider volunteering for a shift between August 25 and September 4. Volunteers for August 27 will be reimbursed \$5 for parking, and everyone who volunteers will receive a free pass to the fair. OSG Directors welcome you to share our enthusiasm for the Grange and spread the message of GrangeUp 2017. Call the OSG office or email your shift preference to [master@orgrange.org](mailto:master@orgrange.org). There will be a VISA Card drawing after the fair for all volunteers. Every shift qualifies for the drawing, so the more you volunteer, the better your chances.

### Solar Eclipse – Be Safe And Have Fun

At the OSG convention in Florence the DAFH conference focused on the solar eclipse coming the morning of August 21. A little research ahead of time, plus being ready with your solar viewing glasses, will ensure that you and your family can view the eclipse safely and enjoy some amazing optical effects. However, you need to also be aware that hundreds of thousands of people will be traveling to viewing sites on the path of total eclipse. Be prepared

for gridlocked traffic beginning over the weekend and temporary problems with cell phone service and emergency response on Monday, the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Some Granges, like Silverton and Santiam Valley, have planned fundraisers to take advantage of the need for campsites and viewing areas. Others may not have events planned, but you can certainly use your Grange connections to see if they will allow parking or camping on their sites. Just remember that it may take a while to contact a Grange in summer, and take care of your arrangements well head of August 21.

### A Link For Home Care And Support

The Oregon Association of the Deaf publishes a weekly newsletter with events and information of particular interest to those who are deaf or hard of hearing. This link is for anyone who may be available to provide home care or personal support to a person with any disability, including those that simply come with age. The Oregon legislature has mandated a clearinghouse to train and vet workers and even do the payroll accounting that protects both the employer and the worker from compliance problems.

<http://oad1921.org/post/how-become-home-care-worker-hw-and-personal-support-worker-psw>



Wednesday mornings DAFH conference at the OSG convention was titled Solar Eclipse 2017: Grange Fun in the Path of Totality, planning for a safe viewing event.



## Abernethy Grange Installs AED

Almost a year ago Abernethy Grange #346, Clackamas County started the process of acquiring an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) for their Grange hall. It was brought to their attention by member Tom Gay that as an active Grange with many rentals that installing this life saving device would be of benefit not only at Grange functions but for those groups renting the hall.

It was determined that the total cost to acquire the machine and installation would run just under \$1600. The Grange received a grant to help in procuring the machine from the Clackamas Emergency Services Foundation. Additional money was donated by groups that rent the hall, including B&B Square Dance club, Early Ford V8 club, NW Vintage Radio Club and Randy

Dibble whom teaches square dancing at the Grange.

Recently, with the help of the grant and donations the Grange was able to install the AED along with signage in the Grange hall. The Life Medical and Safety Company, through who the machine was purchased, offered a training class at the hall which was attended by Grange members and several people representing those groups that rent the hall on the operations of the AED. There will be ongoing expenses for batteries and replacement pads if the machine is used which the Grange will cover.

Abernethy Grange suggests that others Granges look into acquiring this machine for their halls and check with their local Fire Departments and foundations on availability of grants.

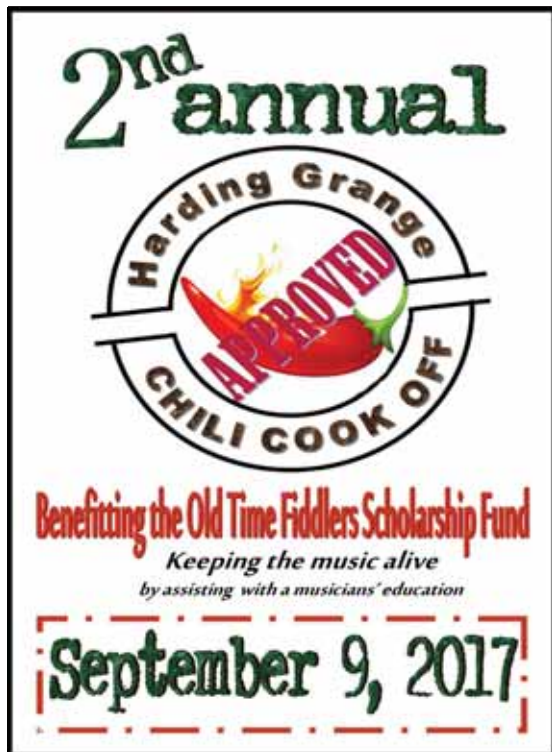


Abernethy Grange member Tom Gay, and Master Howard Huey show off the new AED. Tom was instrumental in acquiring this device for their Grange hall.

## Upcoming Dates/Deadlines

- August 13** Distinguished Grange Applications must be postmarked to the National Grange
- August 15** Youth Achievement Awards Applications due to State Grange Office
- August 17** Electronic applications for the Distinguished Grange Award must be received by 11:59 EST at [www.nationalgrange.org/distinguished](http://www.nationalgrange.org/distinguished)
- August 25 - Sept 4** Oregon State Fair - Fairgrounds, Salem
- September 1** Applications for National Youth Officers, John Trimble National Youth Legislative Experience, and Distinguished Youth Program must be postmarked to the National Youth Director 990e postcard for 2016 must be completed by most Oregon Granges
- September 15**
- November 7-11** 151st National Grange Convention - Spokane,
- December 4** 150th Anniversary of the Grange
- June 23-28, 2018** Oregon State Grange Convention - Clatsop County Fairgrounds, Astoria





## Harding Grange Plans Benefit

The Old Time Fiddlers play in many Grange halls across Oregon. Harding Grange, Clackamas County is sponsoring a Chili Cook Off to benefit their Scholarship Fund which supports any individual pursuing a music education.

Come enjoy sampling all the chili's entered and make your choice for these people's choice categories; hottest chili, best chili and most unique chili. All-You-Can-Eat for only \$5 which includes chili, combread, biscuit and beverage, some free raffle tickets for a silent auction and voting slips for each People's Choice category. The Old Time Fiddlers will be there to play for our entertainment.

You can enter your pot of chili for free. A Fred Meyer gift certificate is awarded to each people's choice category winner. To enter or get more details, eMail [HardingGrange@gmail.com](mailto:HardingGrange@gmail.com). Harding Grange is located at 21552 S Fischers Mill Rd, Estacada OR 97023 (off S Springwater Rd, cross street Harding Rd). Chili is being served from 3pm to 6pm on September 9, 2017.



Above: a small but appreciative audience attended the Education conference Tuesday morning at the OSG Convention.



Left: Jim Golden, Superintendent of the Greater Albany Public Schools, and President of the OASE spoke on school finance and how it has changed since Measure 5. He shared the challenges that exist across the state for education in general and specifically the challenges that rural school districts face.



## The Education Committee

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OSG Education Director

## 'Heads Up' Football Program Tackles Concussion Danger in Kids

By Richard Monks  
*HealthDay Reporter* Mar 22, 2017

A concussion prevention program that teaches young football players safer ways to block and tackle was tied to about a one-third lower risk of head injury, according to a new study.

And, in those players who *did* sustain a concussion, recovery was 27 percent faster for those involved in the program, the researchers found.

"It is difficult to say which aspect of the program did this," said one of the study's authors, Dr. John Tokish. He's a professor of orthopaedics at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine in Greenville. Tokish, a former football player and youth coach who's also the father of two football players himself, said the findings are encouraging.

"I think the results are promising," he said. "However, they spur more questions that we are anxious to go after. It is certainly possible that further research would demonstrate different results. But hopefully all of it will serve to improve the program and ultimately result in lower concussions in our young athletes."

Dubbed the "Heads Up" program, players are taught to lead with their shoulders when tackling an opponent rather than hitting the ball carrier head first. In addition, the program teaches concussion awareness and proper fit for a helmet.

The program began with three pilot programs in 2012. Heads Up is now used by more than 7,000 youth and high school football programs across the United States, according to USA Football.

The current study looked at more than 2,500 high school football players from 24 schools in the Greenville, S.C. area over the course of the 2015 season. At least one coach from 14 of the schools had previously taken the Heads Up training program while 10 of the high schools utilized what the researchers called "standard training."

The researchers randomly monitored

the football teams three times during the season to ensure coaches were teaching tackling correctly. Athletic trainers at each of the 24 schools monitored and recorded injury information for all practices and games. To ensure uniformity of care, each school used the same health care provider network to treat players who suffered a concussion.

Over the course of the season, there were 117 concussions among the players. Players on the teams using the Heads Up program sustained about one-third fewer concussions, the study found.

Players in the Heads Up group were able to return to play in 11 days while those in the non-Heads Up group were out of action for 15 days, the findings showed.

A doctor who was familiar with research but wasn't involved with the study said he wasn't sure that the new program is the panacea some are suggesting it is.

Dr. Wellington Hsu, a professor of orthopaedic surgery at Northwestern University, said, "Unless we can see better numbers and more data, this is not really that significant."

Plus, football players aren't the only ones suffering from concussions. Hsu recently looked at concussion data for high school athletes over the past decade. He found that girls who played soccer were most susceptible to these brain traumas.

"Concussions are becoming a very big problem in younger athletes and they may be having a more significant effect on these athletes' brains," he said. "All of these studies are good at raising awareness."

The study was presented at the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine in San Diego. Findings presented at meetings should be viewed as preliminary until they've been published in a peer-reviewed journal.

### For More information

Learn more about concussions from the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention [www.cdc.gov/](http://www.cdc.gov/)



# National Grange Starts Grange Legacy Family Recognition Program

In honor of the Grange's 150th birthday, the National Grange is starting the Grange Legacy Family Recognition program to honor those families who have five or more generations involved as Grange members.

"We give recognition to individuals, who have been a Grange member for 25, 50, 75, 80, and even 90 years, and we want to recognize families and encourage the next generation to keep up with that and keep that legacy going," said Huber.

The application is below as well as printable is available on the Oregon State Grange website to be printed and mailed to National Grange. Anyone can nominate family,



## Grange Legacy Family Commendation

including family members themselves, but they must include names of family members and the Granges they belonged to with clear five-generation or more lineage.

The first honorees will be recognized at National Convention in Spokane, Washington in November. The family will receive a certificate, and each family member can receive a copy upon request.

### Guidelines:

1. Deadline is **Thursday, October 5, 2017**. Any entry received after deadline will not be recognized in 2017.
2. Must have at least 5 generations of Grange members, including Junior members
3. Anyone can nominate a Legacy Family
4. Families will be recognized at the 2017 National Convention in Spokane, Washington

*Please print clearly & neatly:*

**Family Last Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_

1st Generation Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years if possible: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Grange/number: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Generation Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years if possible: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Grange/number: \_\_\_\_\_

3rd Generation Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years if possible: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Grange/number: \_\_\_\_\_

4th Generation Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years if possible: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Grange/number: \_\_\_\_\_

5th Generation Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years if possible: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Grange/number: \_\_\_\_\_

6th Generation Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years if possible: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Grange/number: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

*In order to be recognized at the 2017 National Convention, application must be in by Thursday, October 5, 2017*

How many copies of the certificate do you need? \_\_\_\_\_

*(The family will receive the number of copies submitted, no additional copies will be printed.)*

Please include a picture of the family or the family members, if possible

*(Any photo(s) submitted will become property of the National Grange, and may be used in future publications)*

### Please return to:

Loretta Washington

Sales, Benefits, Programs and Membership Recognition Director  
National Grange - 1616 H Street, NW - Washington DC 20006



*Malcolm Trupp, President*

The Oregon State Grange Foundation held their annual meeting on Sunday, June 25th at the Oregon State Grange Annual Convention in Florence. The menu was barbeque chicken, coleslaw, baked beans, a roll, and a dessert provided by Spencer Creek Grange #855.

The Marcel "Muzzy" Mandel Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Tina Joy Parker of Springwater Grange #263 in Clackamas County. *(See next page for write-ups on scholarship winners.)*

We did not have any applicants for the Mary Ramm Scholarship. Please encourage your members who are returning students to apply.

We elected two new board members. Phil Van Buren who is a member of Midland Grange, Klamath County was elected to serve out the term of Tom Koch after his resignation representing District #5. Roger Wilson's 5-year term was up and he decided not to accept re-nomination for a second 5-year term. We would like to thank Roger for his commitment and

contribution to the board. David McBride who is a member of Hurricane Creek Grange, Wallowa County, was elected to serve as the District #6 representative on the Board.

The Board held a special organizational meeting after the annual meeting and the following officers were elected:

- President - Malcolm Trupp  
District #2
- Vice-Pres. - Maggie Peyton,  
District #3
- Secretary - Janis Mohr-Tipton,  
District #1
- Treasurer - Jan Oleson  
District #4

I would like to thank the board members and the Grange members for their support of the Foundation.

The Mission of the Oregon State Grange Foundation is to promote the Ideals of the Grange Within and Without the Boundaries of the State of Oregon. Please donate to the Foundation. For more information go to: [www.orgrange.org/members/OSG](http://www.orgrange.org/members/OSG) Foundation



*Spencer Creek Grange #855 in Lane County prepared the meal for the Foundation Luncheon. The crew tended the chicken out back of the Events Center and the smell wafted throughout the convention leading to hungry Grangers.*

## Granges Celebrate the Fourth



*Sandlake Grange #546, Tillamook County in the July 1 Clover's Day Parade with Sarah Kingsborough, Makayla Euteneier-Asbury and Shawnalee Lovelass Asbury.*



## Springwater Youth Receives Several Grange Scholarships

Tina Joy Parker, a member of Springwater Grange #263 in Clackamas County was awarded the Marcel “Muzzy” Mandel Memorial Scholarship by the Oregon State Grange Foundation. It was announced at the Foundation Luncheon at the State Grange Convention in Florence, Oregon.

She is the daughter of John and Joyce Parker, who are also members of Springwater Grange and is a fifth generation Granger. She was a State Junior Officer as a child and has been an officer of her Subordinate and Pomona Granges as well as a State and National Youth Officer. In 2014 she represented the Western Region in public speaking in the Evening of Excellence at the National Grange Convention.

Tina is a 2017 graduate of Oregon City High School. She graduated at spring break and attended Clackamas Community College spring term. She will continue this fall at Clackamas before transferring to Portland State University to complete her education. She is working towards a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering/Computer Science and then plans to work in the computer field in



computers/information technology or robotics.

Tina enjoys working with computers and the advanced technology that is changing every day. She looks forward to the opportunity to work with all the new and emerging technologies and to make life better or more enjoyable for people because of technology.

In addition to the “Muzzy” Mandel scholarship she also received the Spence Memorial scholarship selected by the Oregon State Grange Executive Committee and the Charlie Bowser Memorial Scholarship awarded by the Clackamas Pomona Grange.

## Boulevard Grange Student Receives GWA Scholarship

Jake Milleson, a member of Boulevard Grange #389, Malheur County received the 2017 Oregon State Grange GWA scholarship it was announced at the OSG Convention in June.

Jake will be attending the University of Idaho in the fall to study Business Career Technical Education. He took classes at Treasure Valley Community College while in High School. He is a 2017 graduate of Vale High school where he served as Vale’s Future Business Leaders of America chapter Executive President.



The Grange Workers’ Activities (GWA) Scholarship is supported by donations from the Subordinate/Community Granges throughout the

state. To be eligible, the applicant must be a Grange member, who by the time the tuition scholarship is awarded in September has had at least one year of college and is registered for 12 credit hours.

## Deer Island Awards Scholarship

The Deer Island Grange #947, Columbia County is excited to announce that Angelina McLain is the winner of the 2017 Don Coin Walrod Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1000. Angelina is a senior at Scappoose High School and will be attending Portland Community College in the fall where she will major in animal science.

retired in 1978. This \$1000 scholarship is awarded to 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.

This scholarship was created by the Deer Island Grange to honor the achievements of Don Coin Walrod. Don graduated from Colorado Agriculture and Mining College in 1941 with a degree in agriculture. After being a pilot in WWII, he returned to Colorado to start his career as an extension agent. In 1953 he moved to St. Helens and became the Columbia County Extension Chairman. He was a dedicated advocate for agriculture and forestry until he



## Granges Celebrate the Fourth



Over 300 snow cones, more snow cones than ever before were sold at the Creswell 4th of July Parade by Goshen Grange #561, Lane County members left - right: Emily Russell, Laurie McDonald, Linda Litts, Dorothy Key, and Priscilla Phillips.



Vickie Weathers, Master of Creswell Grange #496, Lane County, sold hot dogs and Polish sausages, while Chaplain, Steve Predoehl, received payment for the food and three of their members rode riding lawnmowers in the Creswell 4th of July parade.



Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County used Lecturer’s Vernon Souder’s car to celebrate 150 years of Grange in the Estacada 4th of July parade.



## Two GIA Scholarships in Oregon

Grange Insurance Association is pleased to announce that Rebecca Bateman of Joseph, Oregon and McKenna Chandler of Silverton, Oregon were awarded a Grange Insurance Association scholarship.

Each year Grange Insurance Association awards scholarships to deserving applicants. The applicant or their parents must be policyholders of Grange Insurance Association. In all, 27 scholarships were awarded this year among the 50 applications received.

The quality of applicants was exceptionally high again this year and the Company is extremely pleased with the caliber of students who

applied for our scholarships. It is always a difficult process to make the selections when all the applicants are so highly qualified. An announcement will be made in the late fall regarding the program for the following year, and we encourage you to check our website [www.grange.com](http://www.grange.com)

Grange Insurance Association has made scholarships available since 1965. They may be used at any accredited school or college and are offered throughout GIA’s operating territory, which includes the states of California, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, Wyoming, and Washington. The Home Office of Grange Insurance Association is in Seattle, Washington.

## 144th Oregon State Grange Annual Convention Florence, Oregon

### State Officers - Sixth Degree



*Front row: Lecturer Linda Helm, Chaplain Peggy Fine, Master Susan Noah, Flora Eva Frost, Ceres Liz Dehne*

*Center row: Assistant Steward Phil Van Buren, Pomona Mikela Heimuller; Overseer Celia Luttrell, Secretary Sarah Kingsborough, Treasurer Paula Herrick, Lady Assistant Steward Louise Holst*

*Top row: Gatekeeper Jim Clute, Executive Committee Position #3 Roger Wilson, Executive Committee Position #2 Don Sether, Executive Committee Position #1 Jeff Dehne, Steward Lexie Suing*

### Sixth Degree Rosebud Team



*Front row: State Musician Linda Wetzell - Creswell Grange; Roberta O'Dell - Santiam Valley Grange; Jamie Gaber - Spencer Creek Grange; Elizabeth Williams - Fairmont Grange; Lil Thompson - Lorane Grange; Becky Cornforth - Goldson Grange; Hollie Kelley - Goshen Grange . Very front: Anastasia Williams - Fairmount Grange*

*Back row: Carol Morehead - Lorane Grange; Anne Startin - Macleay Grange; Gloria McCuchen - Spencer Creek Grange; Cookie Trupp - Spencer Creek Grange; Morgan Eipp - Walterville Grange; Briana Herrick - Walterville Grange; Courtney Croy - Spencer Creek Grange*

### 5th Degree Team



*Front row: Lecturer - Ann Rawlins, Mohawk-McKenzie; Attendant - Anne Startin, Macleay; Attendant - Toni Hoyman, Marys River; Flora - Roberta O'Dell, Santiam Valley; Attendant - Elaine Chapman, London; Pomona - Katrina Bowser, Mohawk-McKenzie; Attendant - Jeanne Hartman, Central; Ceres - Payton Miller, Lexington; Attendant - Jan Hallman, Macleay; Attendant - Louise Holst, Midland; Gatekeeper - Becky Cornforth, Goldson; EC2 - Liz Dehne, Walterville*

*Back row: Secretary - Pat Heard, Irving; EC3 - Nadine Reed, Jasper; Treasurer - Cookie Trupp, Spencer Creek; Overseer - Peggy Jillson, Irving; Sound Effects - Jeff Dehne, Walterville; Tableau - Briana Herrick, Walterville; Master - Richard Wyant, Irving; LAS - Connie Suing, Crow; AS - Tim Dehne, Willamette; Chaplain - Dennis Chapman, London; EC1 - Jesse O'Dell, Santiam Valley; Steward - Malcolm Trupp, Spencer Creek; Musician - Linda Wetzell, Goshen*

### First Four Degrees Team



*Sitting: Don Sether, Molalla Grange; Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater; Connie Suing, Crow; Kiri Daufel, Tigard; Cookie Trupp, Spencer Creek*

*Middle row standing: Louise Holst, Midland; Annette Naylor, Clarkes; Julie Wheeler, Deer Island; Jeanie Force, Sunnyside; Christy Dumolt, Clarkes; Bev Bush, Clarkes; Jim Clute, Forest Grove; Dick Wanker, Redland*

*Back row: John Fine, Riversdale; Ed Luttrell, Boring-Damascus; Celia Luttrell, Boring-Damascus; Jim Dumolt, Clarkes; Jeff Dehne, Walterville; Malcolm Trupp, Spencer Creek; Phil VanBuren, Midland; Cat Thomas, Harding. Missing: Don Kingsborough, Warner*

#### Harvest Marchers

*Front row; Annette Wanker, Redland; Judy Huey, Abernethy; Doris Thurston, McMinnville*

*Back Row: Bud Dumolt, Beavercreek; Howard Huey, Abernethy; Ed Thurston, McMinnville*



### National Grange Master Betsy Huber



Betsy Huber, Master of the National Grange was the National Representative to this year's Oregon State Grange Convention. She brought greetings from the National Grange and staff. She spoke on the Doers program; what are our communities going to do when the current doers pass on and who is going to fill their shoes?



## 2017 State Junior Officers



**Back row:** Lady Assistant Steward - Jade Naylor, Clarkes Grange #261, Clackamas Co.; Treasurer/Secretary - Jordan Williams, Ada #570, Lane Co.; Master - Riley Reynolds, Santiam Valley #828, Linn Co.; Steward - Ethan Utt, Fairmount Grange #252, Benton Co.

**Middle row:** Lecturer - Delilah Lantz, Terrebonne Grange, Deschutes Co.; Overseer - Samuel Bence, Warner Grange #117, Clackamas Co.; Assistant Steward - Terry Elliott, Ada #570, Lane Co.

**Front row:** Gatekeeper - Kymber Anglin, White Eagle Grange #683, Umatilla Co.; Executive Committee #1 - Riona McClain, Irving Grange #377, Lane Co.; Pomona - Aislin McClain, Irving Grange #377, Lane Co.; Executive Committee #2 - Pavlik Jimenez Zavadsky, Rockford Grange #501, Hood River Co.; Ceres - Anastasia Williams, Fairmount Grange #252, Benton Co.; Executive Committee #3 - Bennett McKay, Fairmount Grange #252, Benton Co.; Flora - Taylor Elliott, Ada #570, Lane Co.



## Memorial Service



**Back row:** State Secretary Sarah Kingsborough; Dick Wyant, Irving Grange #377; Lexi Suing, Crow Grange #450; Roger Wilson, White Eagle Grange #683; Dennis Chapman, London Grange #937; Tim Dehne, Willamette Grange #52; John Fine, Riversdale Grange #731; Connie Suing, Crow Grange #450

**Front row:** State Flora Eva Frost, Ann Rawlins, Mohawk-McKenzie Grange #747; Becky Cornforth, Goshen Grange #561, Jan Hallman, Macleay Grange #293; Elaine Chapman, London Grange #937; Pat Heard, Irving Grange #377; State Chaplain Peggy Fine; State Master Susan Noah



**Musicians:** Tina Wells and Janet Naylor, Cascade Harp Ensemble

## 2017 State Youth Officers



**Back row:** Steward - Maggie Swartzendruber, Riversdale #731, Douglas Co.; Sound - Kegan Williams, Fairmount #252, Benton Co.; Treasurer - Lexie Suing, Crow #450, Lane Co.; Lecturer - Alex Coe, Phoenix #779, Jackson Co.; Overseer - Brandon Anglin - White Eagle #683, Umatilla Co.; Secretary - Grace Hays, Abernethy #346, Clackamas Co.; Assistant Steward - Orrin Schnetzky, Tigard Grange #148, Washington Co.

**Middle row:** Lady Assistant Steward - Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater #263, Clackamas Co.; Executive Committee - Elizabeth Williams, Fairmount #252, Benton Co.; Executive Committee - Kailey McKay, Fairmount #252, Benton Co.; Master - Kiri Daufel, Tigard #148, Washington Co.; Chaplain - Payton Miller, Lexington #726, Morrow Co.; Executive Committee - Nicole Shattuck, White Eagle #683, Umatilla Co.; Gatekeeper - Elias Utt, Fairmount #252, Benton Co.

**Sitting:** Pomona - Mikela Heimuller, Warren #536, Columbia Co.; Flora - Courtney Croy, Spencer Creek #855, Lane Co.; Ceres - Brianna Herrick, Walterville #416, Lane Co.

## 2016 Oregon Honor Granges



**Gold Awards:** London #927, Lane Co.; Clarkes #261, Clackamas Co.; Hurricane Creek #608, Wallowa Co.; Walterville #416, Lane Co.; Spencer Creek #855, Lane Co.



**Silver Awards:** Dorena #835, Lane Co.; Eagle Creek #297, Clackamas Co.; Redland #796, Clackamas Co.



**Bronze Awards:** Abernethy #346, Clackamas Co.; Lacomb #907, Linn Co.; Macleay #293, Marion Co.; Santiam Valley #828, Linn Co.; Molalla #310, Clackamas Co.; Chetco #765, Curry Co.

# 2017 Oregon State GWA Contest Winners

## Baked Goods

- Fancy Holiday Cookies:**  
**Spring Holidays**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Galen Jones  
**Summer Holidays**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Patricia Mitzelfeldt  
**Fall Holidays**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Galen Jones  
**Winter Holidays**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Galen Jones  
**Junior Drop Cookies (No peanut butter or chocolate chips)**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Terry Elliot  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Jordan Williams  
**Drop Cookies (No peanut butter or chocolate chips)**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Galen Jones  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Heather Elliott  
**Junior Bar Cookies**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Taylor Elliott  
**Bar Cookies**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Maxine Smith  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Chocolate Chip Cookies**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Kim Schettig  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Riley Reynolds  
**Peanut Butter Cookies**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Kim Schettig  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Galen Jones  
**Crackled Top Ginger Cookies**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Unbaked (skillet) Cereal or Made in a Pan Cookies**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Peanut Butter Candy**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Heather Elliott  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Gary Prichard  
**Candy (No peanut butter) Fudge**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Candy (No peanut butter) Divinity**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Georgia Garrett  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Candy - Peanut Brittle**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Pugh  
**Sweet Rolls**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Leila Dumolt  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Muffins (Any kind of muffin)**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Barbara Harter  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Gluten-Free Baked Item**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sarah Kingsborough  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Fruit or Vegetable Bread (No yeast breads)**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Dorothy Key  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Linda Pugh  
**Cupcake Challenge**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Bonnie Sims  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Riley Reynolds  
**Decorated Cake**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Elizabeth Shaw  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Doris Reed  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Janice Hallman

## Textiles

- Pillowcases for Our Troops**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Beth Ness  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara McCormick  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Elvaree Fine  
**Crocheted Doilies**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Myra Boyd  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Anna Massingham  
**Preemie Afghan & Hat - Knitted or Crocheted**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Lisa Paullin-Anzaldúa  
**Crocheted or Knitted Afghan**  
 1<sup>st</sup> John Fine  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Delores Paullin  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Elvaree Fine  
**Miscellaneous Crocheted or Knitted Items**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Crop  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Myra Boyd  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Laura Utt  
**Table Runner**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Barbara Harter  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Smisek  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Barbara McCormick  
**Embroidery**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Elaine Chapman  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Doris Reed  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Counted Cross Stitch**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Nadene Reid  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Linda Pugh  
**Plastic Canvas**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Pugh  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Loni Schofield  
**Special Stitchery**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Quillow**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Litts  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
**Junior Apron**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Alli Fiscus  
**Apron**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Elvaree Fine  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara Harter  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Dorothy Key  
**Hot Pad or Mitt - Crocheted or Knitted**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Nadine Reie  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Myra Boyd  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Alicia Nilson  
**Hot Pad or Mitt - Any Kind of Fabric**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Laurene Brown  
**Purses and Totes**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara Harter  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Elvaree Fine  
**Baby Quilt - Machine Quilted by One**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Jeannie Alford  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Susan Warner  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Linda Litts  
**Baby Quilt - Embroidered by One**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Nadine Telschow  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Baby Quilt - Tied by One**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Quilts - Machine Quilted by One**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Barbara McCormick  
**Quilts - Tied by One or Group**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Goshen Grange

## Canning

- Jam - Any Fruit Not Berry**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Janice Hallman  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Karrina Weter  
**Jam - Berry Only**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Loni Schofield  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Janice Hallman  
**Jelly - Any Fruit Not Berry**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Pugh  
 3<sup>rd</sup> David Roberts  
**Jelly - Berry Only**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Fruit Butter**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Janice Hallman  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Jennifer Roberts  
**Pickles - Dill**  
 1<sup>st</sup> David Roberts  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Suzy Ramm  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Alicia Jacklich  
**Pickles - Sweet (cucumber only)**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Janice Hallman  
**Pickles - Bread and Butter**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Pickles - Relishes (any mixture)**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Kim Holden  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Suzy Ramm  
**Pickles - Misc. (not cucumber)**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Plummer  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sharon Tracy  
**Salsa - Red**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Suzy Ramm  
**Salsa - Green**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
**Canned Meats or Fish**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Pugh  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sharon Tracy  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Julie Plummer  
**Canned Vegetable - Beets**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Julie Plummer  
**Canned Vegetable - Tomatoes**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Wilson  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Amy Buckman  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Karrina Weter  
**Canned Vegetable - Other**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Dorothy Key  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Kim Schettig  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sharon Tracy

## Crafts

- "What to Do with Worn Out Jeans"**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Litts  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Kathy Hekking  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Riley Reynolds  
**Jewelry**  
 1<sup>st</sup> RayLynn Bering  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Alicia Nilson  
**Pin Cushion**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sara Wilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Linda Litts  
**Paper Craftmanship - Cards**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Lisa Paullin-Anzaldúa  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Brittney Shelton  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunnyside Grange  
**Paper Craftmanship - Quilling**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Alicia Nilson  
**Other Paper Crafts**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Geraldine Gruchalle  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Alicia Nilson  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Debbie Fiscus  
**Small Wooden Articles**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Hank Watts  
 2<sup>nd</sup> David McBride  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Dixie Hegge  
**Metal Arts**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Tim Yadden  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Hank Witt  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Tina Parker  
**Recycle**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Barbara Harter  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Erin Farkes  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Alicia Nilson  
**"Potluck"**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Tim Yadden  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara Harter  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sara Wilson



## National Quilt Block Contest

The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to both members and non-members. The 1st place winner in each group will be sent to National Grange for judging in November. All the quilt blocks not sent to National will be retained and used to make an item for the oral auction to benefit the GWA Committee.



**Adult - Garden Path**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Claire Kellogg  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara Harter  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sheral Miles



**Junior - Garden Path**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Ina Andre  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Alli Fiscus





Left - right: Judy Huey, Mary Theirl, Jan Oleson, Louise Jenks, Cheryl Hays and Tammie Helm show off some of the pillowcases.

## Abernethy Grange's GWA Makes Pillowcases for the Troops

Twenty-seven pillowcases filled with fond wishes for sweet dreams and thoughts of home for our troops were sent to state convention by Abernethy Grange #346 in Clackamas County. GWA members got together again this year and had a sew-off to make the pillowcases. After careful cutting and matching, sewing and pressing, each pillow-

case was checked out and folded.

They were added to the other pillowcases made throughout the state and will be delivered to our troops. The Grange says "We are grateful to them for their service and keeping us safe. We hope this little touch of home can make their time away from home a little less far."



## GWA Conference

Susan Dumolt and Sally Clute of Clarkes Grange, Clackamas County instructed those at the Monday evening conference on how to make the specially design necklace in honor of the National Grange's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday. There were supplies for fifty necklaces and all were made up by those in attendance. Grangers who saw the necklaces later in the week regretted not attending the conference.



Above: Ja Dala Coyle and Maxine Smith of Lacombe Grange along with Roberta O'Dell of Santiam Valley Grange enjoyed creating the beautiful necklaces.



### Bailey's Good Dog Gift Package

- 1<sup>st</sup> Shirley Gilman
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Litts
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Emily Blankenship


### Here Kitty Gift Bag

- 1<sup>st</sup> Shirley Gilman
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Heather Elliott
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Linda Litts

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*OSG Grange Workers Activites Director*



Worthy Brothers and Sisters,

I wish to thank our Worthy Master Susan Noah for the appointment as GWA Director for another year. This year the GWA District Chairmen and I supported the GrangeUp '17 program by delivering the GrangeUp boxes to Granges in our areas. What a great opportunity to visit with other Grangers and to find out what GWAs are doing around the state.

Our one and only National Quilt Block entry from 2016 was sent to National and I'm pleased to announce Oregon won first place. The quilt block was made by Jeanne Taylor from Spencer Creek #855.

Diane Parrott and Mary Parrott attended the State Directors meeting in Lincoln City in October as I was in New Zealand visiting our daughter. In January I attended the State Officers, State Directors and District Chairman's conference in Eugene. We learned about the GrangeUp '17 program and selected the Granges to visit.

This year I have one qualified recipient for the GWA scholarship. We are pleased to give a scholarship for \$400 to Jacob Milleson from Boulevard Grange in Malheur County. Please read the guidelines carefully. Remember this scholarship is for someone who has completed one year of college. The applicant cannot have received this scholarship before.

This year we added a few new contests to our program they are: Bar Cookies for Juniors sponsored by Linda Pugh. Apron contest for Juniors sponsored by Marilyn

Reiher. Paper Craftmanship for Cards sponsored by Clarkes #261. Thank you to all the Granges and Grangers that sponsor our GWA contests.

Thank you to Amalgamated Sugar (*White Satin*) for their continued support of our baking contests by donating sugar for door prizes.

A huge thank you to Sandi Anderson from the Florence Event Center for providing GWA with nine judges and stepping in at last minute to judge also.

Thank you to all who participated in the contests. This year we had a total of 104 participates.

I want to thank by husband Jim for his support and help. I want to thank Susan Dumolt and Sally Clute for their continued support of the GWA conference at State Convention by having a craft to do. This year they designed a necklace for the National Grange 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday. I also want to thank Bud Dumolt for making stands for displaying the canning entries.

Thank you to the District Chairmen for all they do to promote the GWA program. They did a great job visiting Granges and helping where needed. They also work very hard at convention; thank you ladies.

The district chairmen are:

- District #1 - Linda Pugh
- District #2 - Liz Dehne
- District #3 - Julie Schnetzky
- District #4 - Leila Dumolt
- District #5 - Darlene McDonnell
- District #6 - Joanne McBride
- At large - Diane Parrott



Junior Granger Aurianna VanHouten and Grange Youth Austin VanHouten delivered the Bailey's Good Dog and Here Kitty contest gift bags to the Oregon Humane Society in Florence, Oregon.

**Oregon Junior Grangers**

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The National Junior Grange Director has developed a 12 Month Meeting Guide to help Junior leaders plan their year. Each issue of the Bulletin we will be printing the next two months of suggestions to help with your planning. Each month's suggestions include badges to work on, a low-cost craft you could do, suggested project or Grange related activity and many other ideas.

**September**

The month of September means that school is back in session and the idea of a fall breeze is in the air.

**Badge:** DN 17 - Tree Identification  
Learn about how to identify trees. Have each Junior bring in a collection of 5 leaves from different trees. Work on identifying where they came from.

**Hands-on:** Go outside and look at the trees around, examine their bark, leaves, shape, etc. discuss the differences

**Craft:** [www.dltk-holidays.com/fall/mfalltree.html](http://www.dltk-holidays.com/fall/mfalltree.html)

**Grange:** Work on memorizing the Junior Grange Pledge



**October**

The month of October means FIRE! It is Fire safety month so we will focus on disaster plans!

**Badge:** Disaster Plan - TUA 11 and Emergency Help TUA 13

**Hands-On:** Look at the building you are in. Create a disaster plan for your current location. Practice identifying how you would get help in a disaster.

**Craft:** [www.allkidsnetwork.com/crafts/fire-safety/paper-roll-fire-safety-dog-craft.asp](http://www.allkidsnetwork.com/crafts/fire-safety/paper-roll-fire-safety-dog-craft.asp)

**Grange:** How do you prevent a disaster from happening at your Grange Hall? Discuss safety precautions that can be taken at your Grange Hall and figure out a plan to improve on the building safety!

**Riley Reynolds Selected As Oregon Junior Ambassador**

Riley Reynolds, a Junior member at Santiam Valley Grange #828, Linn County was selected as the 2017-18 Oregon State Grange Junior Ambassador at this year's State Grange convention in Florence. Riley will represent Oregon at the National Grange Convention this November in Spokane, WA.



*Kegan Williams, OSG Junior Co-Director presents Riley with the Junior Ambassador certificate.*

The purpose of the National Junior Grange Ambassador program is to provide an opportunity for outstanding Junior Grangers, selected by their State Grange, to attend the National Grange Convention and build their leadership potential. They will be given the opportunity to build relationships with other Junior Grangers and Grangers across the nation as well as receive training that will be instrumental in developing the Junior Grange programs within their state, and preparing them for their future in the Grange.

One candidate will be chosen through a process of interviews and observations made by a council of judges. The candidate that is chosen will be selected as the National Junior Grange Ambassador and will be a representative of the National Junior Grange program for a oneyear term.



*Riley speaking at visitor's night at Washington's Morehead Junior Grnge camp.*

**State Junior Talent Show Winners**

**Vocal**

Ages 8 to 10

1st Deliliah Lantz Terrebonne Grange, Deschutes County

**Variety Act**

Age 5 to 7

1st Anastasia Williams, Fairmount Grange, Benton County

Ages 11 to 14

1st Riley Reynolds, Santiam Valley Grange, Linn County

Junior Talent Show overall winners were Riley Reynolds and Anastasia Williams who scored the same number of points.

**Instrumental**

Age: 11 to 14

1st Samuel Bence, Warner Grange, Clackamas County

All four winners participated in the Saturday evening talent show in between other acts while the judges completing their scoring.

**Tours - Part of the Fun for the Juniors**



*Tuesday the children toured the Florence Police Station.*



*Wednesday they enjoyed the Sea Lion Caves.*

**Junior Were Busy With Crafts**



*Above and left: The Junior Grangers worked on several craft projects during convention including creating some items for the oral auction on Wednesday evening.*



*Wednesday the Juniors visited Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue.*



## Legislative Update

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The recent Oregon State Grange delegate convention in Florence saw a lot of activity, and many details are presented elsewhere in this issue of the Bulletin so this column will be a bit wider in scope. We had many good discussions and heard diverse viewpoints presented in a civil and organized manner. I can't stress enough how important this is, for only through consideration of all viewpoints can we arrive at fair and equitable decisions. In Grange one can persevere in the presentation of one's viewpoint, in the hope that others will be persuaded. It doesn't always work that way, but to paraphrase the installation charge for the Master of a Grange, we should 'abide decisions against us cheerfully'. In the Grange we may argue issues amongst ourselves with passion but we are still Brothers and Sisters, and when the meeting is over we are just friends having pie

and coffee before heading home.

Our lobbyist Craig Loughridge has provided details about SB 181 but let me just add that as a result of a report from the Legislative committee, action was taken to generate postcards and emails from the OSG convention directly to the Oregon legislature in opposition to the bill and over 80 cards were mailed. Several members have reported receiving personal responses from their legislator.

The delegates to this convention dealt with a major issue, updating 30+ years of Grange policies. In the process, many controversial issues that had been settled years ago were once again debated. The delegates are to be congratulated for their efforts and dedication. The updated policies are now posted on our website.



Many Grangers celebrated the 100th Anniversary of Goshen Grange.

## Goshen Grange Celebrates 100 Years

Goshen Grange celebrated its 100th Anniversary with a party on June 3rd. Gary Williams, East Lane County Commissioner, attended the celebration. He spoke on many subjects and of feeling right at home in the Grange. He must have as later in the day he signed his Grange application, paid his dues, and became one of their newest members.

A highlight of the event was the presentation to Gary Prichard his Golden Sheaf Certificate for fifty consecutive years of membership in the Grange, all at Goshen. Gary has been Master of Goshen for a total of twenty years although not consecutively. A nice sized crowd was on hand to celebrate this momentous occasion.



Gary Prichard received his Golden Sheaf Certificate for fifty consecutive years of membership.

## Governmental Affairs

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Working several months as your government affairs representative has shown me how powerful the Grange can be when Grangers work together. The collective action of Grange delegates this summer has brought more focus to our future policy direction. Bigger still, Grangers from all corners of Oregon came together this year to fight and defeat Senate Bill 181, legislation that posed a significant risk to local Granges and their local charitable partners.

It has been a joy for me to meet so many new Grangers online and in person as I work to keep us all informed of happenings in the Capitol. Building an alliance with the Nonprofit Association of Oregon to defeat SB 181 introduced me to more wonderful people, and expanded the message of the Grange more than we could have on our own.

The 2017 legislative session will be in the past by the time this article reaches your mailbox. Some good bills will have become law, and some bad ones will have as well. But now is the time to look to the future, and plan for legislative sessions to come.

The 2018 session, which starts in February, is scheduled to be short. However, depending on future

events, and on political pressures brought to bear on lawmakers, a special session could also come next year.

Political interest groups already are lining up to pose more ballot initiatives that would create mammoth tax increases. The threat of those measures looming over lawmakers' heads in February could sway some Republicans to compromise on lesser tax increases.

Whatever your personal ideology or political affiliation, reading *The Capitol Granger* e-newsletter is one way to stay up to date on major bills in the legislature. The newsletter roots out major points, and summarizes them in a single page.

*The Capitol Granger* comes out weekly when lawmakers are in session, and monthly when they're not. Being a subscriber also makes sure you receive alerts about bills important to your fellow Grangers, and calls to action when the Grange needs help to support or defeat a bill.

Please call or email me to subscribe if you don't already receive this newsletter. I can be reached at:  
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Excerpts from the  
July 12, 2017 edition of  
*The Capitol Granger*



## Senate pulls off surprise finish as anti-nonprofit bill dies in committee

Senators on Friday July 7 pulled off something of a surprise, and closed days earlier than some Capitol watchers had expected. With the Senate closed, representatives in the House had little choice but to close too. The closure left dead a bill that the State Grange had been fighting. Senate Bill 181 was still hung up in the House Committee on Revenue as lawmakers adjourned.

Read on for a wrap-up of some other bills we followed:

### Passed

- HB 2012: Creates eastern Oregon economic region.
- HB 2017: New taxes for transportation projects.
- HB 2038: Farm-to-school program funding.
- HB 2391: New taxes on hospitals & health insurance.
- SB 229: Dictates election dates if people refer HB 2017 or HB 2391 to a statewide vote.
- SB 1051: Sets deadline for affordable housing reviews.

### Failed

- HB 2282: Changed definition of farm use.
- HB 2382: State to work with FFA to help Ag students.
- HB 2830: Gross receipts tax.
- HB 3469: State study of government efficiency.
- SB 230: State to work with FFA to help Ag students.
- SB 307: Allowed some public use of marijuana.



## Membership Matters

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OSG Membership Directors

### GrangeUp'17 is going STRONG!!

Each Grange is striving to get a net gain in membership this year!! Monetary prizes and Ice Cream Socials are fun rewards for Granges to earn as well.

During the Membership Luncheon at State Grange, Mark England, Master of Rockford Grange in Hood River County, shared that their members go out into the community (they load up in a van) and in groups of two they go door to door sharing their LOVE of the Grange and handing out Grange pamphlets. It's no wonder they had a 40% net gain in Membership last year!! They have many events going on at their hall, which gives them an opportunity to invite non-members to attend. It works!!

Orrin Schnetzky from Tigard Grange in Washington County volunteered to help the State Membership Committee raise funds by dressing up in tights and a tutu and delivering roses purchased by Grangers to loved ones, secret admirers, and friends. A big thank you to Orrin and all those who supported this fundraiser as \$200.00 was raised for the State Membership Committee to help fund various projects,



Orrin Schnetzky, a member of Portland Beardsmen, dressed up in tights and a tutu to deliver roses.

promotional items, to help GROW our Grange Membership!!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

The Oregon State Grange Veterans Committee is looking for Volunteers to participate in the Veterans Day Parade in Albany on Saturday, November 11, 2017. Please contact Jim Clute, Director of the Veterans Committee if you are interested. This is a fun way to promote the Grange too!!



Left to right: OSG Master Susan Noah, Membership co-Director Sandi Ludi, National Master Betsy Huber, Dist. #4 Membership Chairman Linda Short and Dist. #5 Membership Chairman Myrna Colvin enjoying the Membership Luncheon.



Left: Mikayla Heimuller, OSG Pomona with the assistance of Lacy Johnston, 2014-15 OSG Youth Ambassador presented a very informative conference on the topic of **How to Attract Youth and Young Adults Using Social Media** at the Wednesday morning membership conference.

Right: Then later that morning National Master Betsy mentioned learning more about social media; selfies, Twitter and Instagram at that morning's membership conference so after the Youth opened, (l-r) State Youth Director Connie Suing, OSG Master Susan Noah and Betsy took a selfie.

## Membership Contest Winners!!



Left to right: Members from the winning Granges picked up their awards for highest membership gain. 2nd Place - Fairmount #252 Benton County with a 65% gain net; 3rd Place - Chetco #756 Curry County with a 58 % net gain; and 4th Place - Rockford #501 Hood River County with a 40% net gain.

### Membership Contest Winners Highest % of Net Gain

1 <sup>st</sup> - Garfield #317 Clackamas County	87% net gain - \$100.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> - Fairmount #252 Benton County	65% net gain - \$75.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> - Chetco #756 Curry County	58% net gain - \$50.00
4 <sup>th</sup> - Rockford #501 Hood River County	40% net gain - \$25.00

Granges with a 15% net gain or more (but not in the top four)

qualified to be in a drawing for an Indoor/Outdoor Flag. They were:

Gresham #270 Multnomah County	with a 36% net gain
Terrebonne #663 Deschutes County	with a 34% net gain
Dorena #835 Lane County	with a 33% net gain
Riversdale #731 Douglas County	with a 32% net gain
Hurricane Creek #608 Wallowa County	with a 29% net gain
Spencer Creek #855 Lane County	with a 26% net gain
Union Hill #728 Marion County	with a 22% net gain
Multnomah #71 Multnomah County	with a 21% net gain
Pleasant Grove #475 Union County	with a 20% net gain
Wickiup #722 Clatsop County	with a 20% net gain
Pine Valley #815 Baker County	with a 20% net gain
Sutherland Community #724 Douglas County	with a 17% net gain
Skyline #894 Multnomah County	with a 16% net gain
Summit #432 Benton County	with a 16% net gain
Sunnydale #877 Douglas County	with a 15% net gain
Sixes #856 Curry County	with a 15% net gain

The winner of the drawing for the Indoor/Outdoor Flag:

Dorena Grange #835 in Lane County  
Congratulations to all the winners!!





## Veterans

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Oregon State Grange Veterans Director

OSG convention is over and the Veterans had some favorable comments about our displays and project. We had a “**Table of Remembrance**” at the entrance to the dining area, and out in the main hallway an 8’ display table with information about women veterans and the “**I am not invisible**” project, (thank you’ *Kim Schettig*) and then the Merchant Marine as a branch of service. In the session hall during Salute to Veterans, recognition by our Juniors, excited as usual, presented each veteran with a special pin “I’M A VET – The Grange thanks you”.

Planning ahead we need to be thinking about next year’s convention in Astoria. Being about the closest thing Oregon has to a military town, with all of the Coast Guard stations, museums and Camp Rilea within a couple of miles of the convention site. Maybe we could do a tour or something. Anyway, thinking caps on, start planning.

Thinking of planning ahead, Veterans Day (11-11-17) is less than three months away and the Albany Veterans Day Parade is on our agenda. Many of our Grangers will be attending the National Grange

Convention in Spokane, Washington (to exemplify the 6th Degree) during the same time frame, so we need members to step up to the plate in implementing this event. Contact Jim Clute 503 953-4171 or james\_clute@yahoo.com if you can help or for more information.

The following is to alert veterans and their families about some of the changes that are being enacted and as Grange members we need to share this concern with everyone in our circle of friends. Recently the US Congress approved legislation making it easier to demote, suspend and fire VA officials.

June 5, 2017, 11:04:00 AM  
Parts of this statement have been shortened from original article.

U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. David J. Shulkin announced his decision on the next-generation Electronic Health Record (EHR) system for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Having a Veteran’s complete and accurate health record in a single common EHR system is critical to that care, and to improving patient safety. —

Our current VistA system is in need of major modernization, health information technology and cybersecurity, getting VA out of the software business, because of that, we’re making a decision to move towards a commercial off-the-shelf product.

At the VA, almost all of our Veteran patients come from — from the DoD (Department of Defense), and for this reason, Congress has been urging the VA and DoD for at least 17 years — to work more closely on EHR issues. —To date, VA and DoD have not adopted the same EHR system. Instead, VA and DoD have worked together for many years to advance EHR interoperability between their many separate applications — at the cost of several hundred millions of dollars — in an attempt to create a consistent and accurate view of individual medical record information. — While interoperability between VA and DoD for key aspects of the health record, seamless care is fundamentally constrained by ever-changing information sharing standards, separate chains of command, complex governance, separate implementation schedules to accommodate those changes from separate program offices that have separate funding appropriations, and a host of related complexities requiring constant lifecycle maintenance. The bottom line is we still don’t have the ability to trade information seamlessly for our Veteran patients and seamlessly execute a share plan of care with smooth handoffs.

For these reasons, I have decided that VA will adopt the same EHR system as DoD, now known as MHS GENESIS, which at its core consists of Cerner Millennium. VA’s adoption of the same EHR system as DoD will ultimately

result in all patient data residing in one common system and enable seamless care between the Departments without the manual and electronic exchange and reconciliation of data between two separate systems.

Additionally, we have looked at the need for VA to adopt significant cybersecurity enhancements, and we intend to leverage the architecture, tools and processes that have already been put in place to protect DoD data, to include both physical and virtual separation from commercial clients.

Let me say what lies ahead, as this is just the beginning of the process.

- VA has unique needs and many of those are different from the DoD. — For this reason, VA will not simply be adopting the identical EHR that DoD uses, but we intend to be on a similar Cerner platform. VA clinicians will be very involved in how this process moves forward and in the implementation of the system. In many ways VA is well ahead of DoD in clinical IT innovations and we will not discard our past work. And our work will help DoD in turn.
- Furthermore, VA must obtain interoperability with DoD but also with our academic affiliates and community partners, many of whom are on different IT platforms.
- Therefore we are embarking on creating something that has not been done before — that is an integrated product that, while utilizing the DoD platform, will require a meaningful integration with other vendors to create a system that serves Veterans in the best possible way.

### Promote the Grange

with a 150th Infinity Logo Apron



- \$25 per apron
- 3 aprons for \$60 (at cost)
- Has large pockets
- Extra long length
- Has the 150th Anniversary Infinity Logo embroidered on the breast



150TH ANNIVERSARY

How many national fraternal organizations, such as the Grange, can brag they have been relevant to their communities for 150 continuous years? This logo celebrates our achievement. Wear It proudly at events.

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Offer	Cost	Quantity	Total	
Single Apron	\$25.00		\$	Order Total
Trio of Aprons (3)	\$60.00		\$	

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grange: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

State OR: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Check Payable to "Oregon State Grange" and on the memo line make the notation, "2017 Aprons". Mail check & order form to ... Sandi Ludi, 18275 Myra Ct. Sandi OR 97055



Veteran Don Kingsborough received a veterans pin from his grandson Samuel Bence, Junior Overseer, during the Salute to Veterans.

## YOU ARE NEEDED!

**Albany’s Veterans Day Parade  
Saturday  
November 11, 2017**

The Oregon State Grange will again this year have a presence in the parade. We need members to step up to the plate in implementing this event.

There will be opportunities for both riders and walkers. If you would like to be involved, contact:  
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**CAN WE COUNT ON YOU?**

## Grange Youth & Young Adults



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OSG Youth Director



What a wonderful State Grange convention we had. Life is so hectic these days and I just want to say Thank you to all of the Youth and Young Adults that took time out of their busy lives and schedules and attended State Grange. We had some new faces and some returnees this year. I hope you each went home with something memorable.

The Youth and Young Adults had a busy week, starting with early morning officers' practice, continuing with workshops, going to conferences, helping with meals or in the concession stand, selling Goodie basket tickets, and being delegates.

The Youth officers, led by Youth Master Kiri Daufel, did a wonderful job opening the Grange on Wednesday morning. I always love to see the transformation from first practice to final execution and they never, ever disappoint. Great job everyone.

They had three workshops. The first was learning about "What to do in an emergency situation and making First Aid kits". This was led by Ann Rawlins, Thank you Ann. The second was making skid resistant socks and then delivering them to Regency Florence care facility. They got to visit with some of the residents, pass out the socks, and meet the care facilities mascot "Rudy the Pig". The third workshop was the Grange Jeopardy challenge. There were five contestants and the results were as follows: 1st Place - Jessie Jo Guttridge, 2nd Place - Briauna Herrick, 3rd Place - Payton Miller, 4th Place - Grace Hays, and 5th Place - Nikki Shattuck. We were able to send two of our ladies to Western Regionals as the others had to work so congratulations to Jessie Jo Guttridge and Grace Hays who will represent Oregon in the Jeopardy Challenge at Western Regionals in Buena Park, California. Good luck ladies!! Joining Jessie Jo and Grace at Western Regionals will be Suzy Ramm. Suzy took first place

in the Radio Spot Public Speaking contest and will compete in Buena Park as well. Good luck Suzy!!

I never dreamed when we decided to participate in "Keep Oregon Warm" that it would be such a great success. Thank you so very much to all of the Granges and Grangers who donated items to this project. The last count we had was 973 articles of clothing that were boxed and sent home with Grangers from District #2 to be distributed where needed. I know some boxes were already donated and some are being distributed this winter. Again, thank you from the Oregon State Grange Youth and Young Adults. Many people will be a little warmer this year because of your generosity.

We had fun again this year with the "Goodie Baskets". This is always a wonderful way to support our Youth and Young Adults, allowing them to travel to Western Regionals and National Grange Convention. The baskets are always unique and I want to thank the committee chairs and their helpers for putting the baskets together.

We will have a **Youth conference** the weekend of **September 29th, 30th, and October 1st**. This will be held at Terrebonne Grange, outside of Redmond, Oregon. The agenda is still being worked out but I promise it will be fun. The registration forms and medical forms will be on the Oregon Grange Youth Facebook page and on the Oregon State Grange website.

Last, but not least, since National Grange Convention is very close this year, in Spokane, Washington, it would be great to have three or four Youth in the running to be on the National Youth officers corp. It is quite an honor to be on this team and a lot of fun. All of the rules are on the Oregon State Grange website.

Until next time, remember to ask a Youth, I know they will "Be Delighted."

## Youth and Young Adults Made Skid Resistant Socks

Did you know that the #1 problem in nursing homes is falls due to having improper footwear? During the Oregon State Grange Convention several of the Youth and Young Adults decorated 22 pairs of athletic socks with puffy paints making them skid resistant when worn.



Above: Maggie Swartzendruber showed the others how to use puffy paint to make skid resistant socks, a project she learned about while attending the 2016 National Grange Convention.

The group then visited Florence Regency Care Facility where they talked with the residents and gave them the socks. The residents loved them and were even more pleased when they realized there was no charge for the socks, that they were a gift.



Youth who visited the Florence Regency Care Facility included Grace Hays, Briauna Herrick, Courtney Croy, Brandon Anglin, Nikki Shattuck, Chloe Lacrosse, Elias Utt, and Payton Miller. Others involved with the socks were Alex Coe and Brenda Hoag.

## OSG Junior Officer Installation

Again this year the Youth installed the Oregon State Junior Grange officers under the direction of Installing Officer Jessie Jo Guttridge. Others on the installation team included Master: Cole Wilson, Marshall: Maggie Swartzendruber, Regalia Bearer: Briauna Herrick and Chaplain Payton Miller. The weather was beautiful and the Junior room small, the installation ceremony was moved outside.



Junior Master being installed. Left - right: Maggie Swartzendruber, Riley Reynolds, Junior Co-Director Kegan Williams, Briauna Herrick and Jessie Jo Guttridge.



Junior officers waiting to be installed. Left to right: Master: Riley Reynolds, Santiam Valley #828, Overseer: Samuel Bence, Warner Grange #117, Lecturer: Delilah Lantz, Terrebonne Grange #663, Steward: Ethan Utt, Fairmount Grange #252, Assistant Steward: Terry Elliott, Ada #570 and Regalia Bearer: Briauna Herrick.

## Youth/Young Adult Contest Winners

### Grange Jeopardy Challenge

- 1st - Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater Grange #263\*
- 2nd - Briauna Herrick, Waltherville Grange #416
- 3rd - Payton Miller, Lexington Grange #726
- 4th - Grace Hays, Abernethy Grange #346\*
- 5th - Nikki Shattuck, White Eagle Grange #683

### Public Speaking - Radio Spot

- 1st - Suzy Ramm, Springwater Grange #263\*
- \*Will compete at Regionals



## Celebrate 150 Years of Grange

Are you excited to celebrate the Grange's 150th birthday? Show your excitement by purchasing one of these shirts! \$10 from every shirt purchased goes directly to the Grange Youth. Shirts come in a variety of colors and styles. Get yours today.

Athletic Kelly T-Shirt with two color seven founders **PARTY LIKE IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY** graphic to commemorate National Grange's 150th Anniversary. Shirts are also printed with a two color graphic on the back featuring Caroline Hall.

A tee that genuinely matches your favorite collegiate and professional sports team colors. 4.5-ounce 100% ring spun cotton, 90/10 cotton/poly, 30 singles. Removable tag for comfort and relabeling. This tee is available in Men's and Women sizes Small to X-Large, and is also available in 2X-Large to 6X-Large for an additional charge.



This item is a fundraiser for the National Grange Youth Department. Place your order by **August 15th** which is when this campaign will end. Shirts will be shipped and delivered approximately two weeks after the campaign closes. When checking out please note there is an option to donate directly to the National Grange Youth. Your donation will be added to the total of your order and we will email you a credit card receipt. For example if you order one regular size shirt @ \$20 + \$5 shipping and add a \$25 donation, the total in your shopping cart will show \$25 but your credit card will be charged \$50. All orders must be prepaid. Amounts donated will be paid directly to the National Grange Youth Fund less 3.5% for processing.

To place an order online or download an order form go to the National Grange Youth website: <https://nationalgrangeyouth.org/celebrate-150-years-of-grange/> Remember to place your order by **August 15th**.



Working at the concessions table were Youth Briana Herrick, Payton Miller, and Nikki Shattuck along with Junior Auriana VanHouten.

## Springwater Community Fair

### 63 Years of Fun

**September 16, 2017**  
**Springwater Grange Hall**  
**Springwater & Wallens Rd**  
**10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**





**Please bring your flowers, pies, photographs, sewing knitting, hobby crafts and join us for the fun.**  
**Call 503-630-6238 for more information, or see the Springwater Grange facebook page.**

**Family fun, great community**

## GROW Club

"Go Right On Working"

Suzy Ramm

OSG GROW Club President

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## GROW Club Holds Annual Dinner

The 2017 Oregon State Grange GROW Club dinner was held on Wednesday June 28, at the Driftwood Shores Resort in Florence. Suzy Ramm, club president welcomed everyone to the meeting and Sister Peggy Fine, OSG Chaplain provided the blessing before dinner. Betsy Huber, National Grange Master was our guest for dinner.

Following dinner all GROW Club members did a self-introduction, sharing their name, contest/position and when and where they attended the National Grange Convention. And the current Board of Directors were introduced: present were Suzy Ramm, John Fine and Orrin Schnetzky. Scott Jacobsen was unable to make convention this year.

It was reported the balance in the GROW Club account was \$2154.70.

Welcomed to the GROW Club and presented her pin was Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater Grange in Clackamas County who served as the 2016 National Grange Youth Ceres. Also welcomed to the GROW Club was Maggie Swartzendruber, Riversdale Grange, Douglas County who served as the 2016 National Grange Youth LAS. She was unable to attend the dinner but will be given her pin.

The Ice Cream Socials were discussed.

- It was agreed that the GROW Club would pay for the GrangeUp '17 ice cream socials which will be held in 2018 and encourage members to participate in the events if they are available.
- It was agreed that we would offer two (2) ice cream socials in the Oral Auction that evening at OSG Convention.

Discussion was held on the makeup of the Board. A decision was made to try to have seven board members, one from each of the six districts and one at-large. An email will be going out in August to all GROW Club members asking them to consider serving on the board with the hope of having a complete board in place in time to be printed in the 2018 Roster.

Oregon had been given 100 raffle tickets for the National GROW Club Raffle. Some tickets were sold and the rest are available from Suzy Ramm. More are available from national if we sell out. It was moved, seconded and carried for the club to purchase up to 100 tickets for the National Grange Grow Club raffle. See details of the raffle in the box at the bottom of this page.



GROW Club president Suzy Ramm (r) welcomed new club member Jessie Jo Guttridge and presented her with her club pin at the GROW Club dinner on June 28th.

## National Grange GROW Club Raffle

Benefits the National Grange Youth Leadership Fund

**Tickets - \$1.00 each**

### Cash Prizes

1st - \$300 2nd - \$200 3rd - \$100

Raffle to be held on November 10, 2017 at the National Grange Convention in Spokane, Washington. Need not be present to win.

Contact a GROW Club member or the state office for tickets

## OSG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - April 1, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 9:10am by Master Susan Noah. Present included Sarah Kingsborough, Celia Luttrell, Roger Wilson, Don Sether, and Jeff Dehne. Carol Everman joined shortly after we started.

Prior meeting minutes from January 21<sup>st</sup> were read and approved as corrected. Thank you to Mark Noah who filled in as the pro-tem Secretary since Sarah Kingsborough was absent.

### Financial Reports

#### Celia – Current Reports

- We received 2017 funds from GIA – new allocation \$4,475.00 per quarter - \$17,900 per year. This is a reduced amount from previous years. The funds that come from GIA go into the Leadership/Membership Fund that helps cover Grange programs, committees, and leadership training activities.
- National Grange in 2017 is hosted by the Western Region. Some expenses will be covered by the National Grange Convention fund. We will also have responsibility as one of the host states. More to come as the year progresses.
- Jan's reports – We reviewed the membership reports and discussed a few Granges that have low membership. Our officers and deputies have visited most of these. We hope our GrangeUp '17 Campaign this year will help all of our Granges grow and thrive again. A handful of Granges are late with Quarterly Reports, dues, and fees.
  - Loan update – Granges with outstanding loans to the OSG were reviewed.
  - EC to look over Visa & Master Card bills for audit purposes.

#### Scott Barker – Barker Wealth Advisors

- Scott provided us with the investment reports through March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Our rate of return thus far this year is 2.94%. We are on track with the OSG investment policy. Scott reviewed recent market trends which show growth and low volatility despite recent press/politics. The market is high which gives some people concern. It's best to manage through uncertainty with conservative and diverse investments.
- Scott will be attending our 2017 Oregon State Grange Convention to address the delegate body. Susan will coordinate with Scott on the schedule for Monday/Tuesday.

### Unfinished Business

- Restraint of Title work – still need to cover the following counties: Baker, Clackamas, Crook, Jackson, Jefferson, Curry, Lake, Malheur, Josephine, Marion, Tillamook, Washington, Wheeler. All others have been filed and are on record.
  - Don made a motion that the office will continue work on this, and we will revisit at our July Executive Committee Meeting. If there are counties/properties that are more complicated, then we may refer the remaining properties to the attorney to complete. Motion was seconded by Celia and carried.
- Employee Handbook and Employee Evaluations are still on the "to do" list for 2017.
- Deer Creek Grange – We reviewed a first draft of the ground lease for the property at Deer Creek Grange with the Illinois Valley Volunteer Firefighter's Association. Deer Creek and The Firefighter's Association will have the opportunity to review and edit this draft before a final one is complete.
- GrangeUp '17 – we're excited to report that the promotional boxes and banners have been presented to 148/169 of our Granges across Oregon. 11 are slated to go in April, the other 10 are pending communication with the volunteers. Overall feedback from Granges has been very positive. The budget was reviewed.
  - Sarah moved to increase the budget by \$5000 to cover the cost of travel that has come in a little higher than expected, and the new member gifts in anticipation of more than the budgeted 340 new members. Celia seconded, the motion carried.
- Virtual attendance at meetings – OSG and the National Grange passed resolutions in 2016 to allow for virtual attendance at Subordinate meetings. Susan will create a draft of policy for virtual attendance at Subordinate meetings. We will review at our next meeting and present the changes at the OSG State Convention this June.

The Executive Committee adjourned for lunch from 12:40pm to 1:15pm.

- Financial reports for the end of 2016. The balance sheet, dormant funds, trust funds, and other accounts were reviewed and discussed.

### New Business

- Lobbyist – The OSG does not currently have a contracted lobbyist. There will be a resolution at the 2017 OSG Convention to hire a lobbyist using funds from another fund. We have a desire for our organization to continue being represented in the legislature, and to provide regular communications of legislative action/activities. Some of the OSG policies are out dated. Susan will again encourage the legislative committee to draft resolutions for this year's convention that will make our policy more current.
  - Don moved to offer \$2000 on a contract level to have a lobbyist/representative for the remaining 2017 Oregon State Legislative session. Jeff seconded and the motion carried.
  - Keizer Grange has closed and been declared dormant.
  - Request from Riversdale to sell the Evergreen property for \$150,000.
    - Jeff moved that Evergreen Grange be authorized to proceed with the sale at \$150,000. Sarah seconded and the motion carried.
  - Request from Netel Grange for funds not to exceed \$17,500 for a new septic system, which is a high-end estimate.
    - Jeff moved to extend a loan to Netel Grange for the amount of the invoice to be repaid in a 100 month term at 5%. Don Seconded. Sarah made a motion to amend to offer a maximum term of 10 years / 120 payments. Discussion followed regarding the request and affordable loan terms. The amendment carried. The motion, as amended, carried.
  - The OSG building in Salem is in need of a new draft inducer for the heating/cooling unit. – total cost \$507.00
    - Jeff moved to replace the draft inducer and the fan in the men's room. Don seconded. Motion carried.
  - Ivy is starting to crawl over the roof of our building, and needs to be removed before it does damage to roof or heating/cooling system. Don volunteered to work on the ivy.
- Mohawk-McKenzie has been meeting at the Willakenzie Hall for several years. The OSG office will draft a hall use agreement as Willakenzie is currently under the Dormant Grange restriction.
  - Library presentations on the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Marilyn Reiher and Jay sexton have put together a 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary display for placement in libraries throughout the state of Oregon. Several libraries have already committed to displaying Grange information this year.
    - Roger moved to allocate \$1500 for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary library promotion. Don seconded. Jeff moved to add travel expenses, in the form of mileage reimbursement, on top of the \$1500. Roger seconded. The motion, as amended, was carried.
  - Gold Hill – The property is for sale and has a few repair needs, including the furnace.
    - Jeff moved to pay the bill for the Gold Hill furnace and take the remainder under consideration as it comes up. Don seconded and the motion carried.
  - The National Grange shared communications regarding grants by the USDA that Granges might be eligible for. Jeff volunteered to research this and report back.
  - Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program – Legislative Hearing April 4<sup>th</sup> with several other agriculture organizations.
  - Growing Oregon magazine – in 2016 we had an ad in the magazine.
    - Don moved to authorize an ad for the 2017 magazine. Jeff seconded and the motion carried.
  - State Grange Officer dresses will be used for OSG Convention and the 2017 National Grange 6<sup>th</sup> degree team.
    - Don moved to allocate \$100 for each dress, the remainder of the dress cost is up to each state officer. The funds come from the National Grange fund since they will be used for this year's National Grange Convention. Roger seconded, motion carried.

### Decisions made via email

- Agreement to counter the Gold Hill offer to \$140,000, and giving the Master the authority to go as low as \$130,000 if necessary.



## Public Policy Resolutions Adopted at the 2017 OSG Convention

### AG #5: Active Support for Ending Neonicotinoid Use by General Public

**Resolved:** Neonicotinoids be available only to certified and licensed applicators.

### ED #1: Textbook 'Get Oregonized' for Oregon Classrooms

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange endorses textbooks in our public schools that present agricultural practices realistically and honestly. And be it further

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange endorses the book entitled 'Get Oregonized' as such a textbook. And be it further

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange Education Committee encourages local Granges to work with their local schools to get 'Get Oregonized' adopted as a textbook and develop guidelines/talking points for local Granges to use to accomplish this goal.

### ED #2: Resolution Opposing Common Core State Standards

**Resolved:** Oregon State Grange will lobby the Governor of Oregon to withdraw from the CCSS and keep K-12 education student-centered and accountable to the people of the State of Oregon.

### ED #3: High Stakes Testing

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange calls on the governor, state legislature and state education boards and administrators to reexamine public school accountability systems in this state and to develop a system based on multiple forms of assessment that do not require extensive standardized testing, more accurately reflect the broad range of student learning, and are used to support students and improve schools. And be it further

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange petition the National Grange to lobby the U.S. Congress and administration to overhaul the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (currently known as the "Every Child Succeeds Act"), reduce the testing mandates, promote multiple forms of evidence of student learning and school quality in accountability, and not mandate any fixed role for the use of student test scores in evaluating educators.

### ED #4: Support for the Oregon FFA Association and Agricultural Education

**Resolved:** The Legislature continue funding the FFA Association and vocational agriculture programs. And be it further

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange lobby the Oregon Legislature to include state funding for the Oregon FFA Association and agricultural education in Oregon schools.

### ED #8: Saving the Criterion School Campaign

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange endorses the efforts of the Oregon Retired Educators Association (OREA) to repair the Criterion Schoolhouse and sustain this building as a symbol of and tribute to Oregon public education.

### EE #2: Support for Increased Aluminum Recycling

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange encourages any legislation that would increase aluminum recycling. And be it further

**Resolved:** If adopted by the Oregon State Grange, this resolution will be forwarded to the National Grange.

### FiA #1: Opposition to SB 181 and Changes to Tax Exempt Status

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange urges the 2017 Legislature to reject SB 181. And be it further

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange opposes changes to or removal of tax exempt status of fraternal, charitable, and religious non-profit organizations.

### HW #2: Senior Health Care in Oregon

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange will advocate for legislation supporting the at-risk and disadvantaged senior citizen population of Oregon rural counties.

### LE #1: Prohibition of Gerrymandered Political Districts

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange supports legislation at all levels that requires political district boundaries be drawn by a non-partisan commission with the goal of having simple boundaries representative of the population upon which they are drawn.

### TR #1: I-5 Donald/Aurora Exit

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange urges ODOT, Mid-Willamette Valley Area Transportation Commission and Marion County to fund and implement project #19062 – The Donald/Aurora Interchange on I-5 exit 278.

### UT #4: Oregon State Grange Energy Policy

**Resolved:** The 2017 Session Utilities Committee approves the following to be added to the Oregon State Grange Energy Policy:

- Develop an energy policy to promote the economic and efficient use of our natural resources to produce energy.
- Develop all energy sources that are feasible using proven technology.

### VT #1: Lottery Funds for Veterans

**Resolved:** The Oregon State Grange opposes any reduction in the funding of the Oregon Department of Veteran Affairs from Oregon's General Fund and supports the addition of the 1.5% Oregon Lottery Funds to be used for the benefit of our veterans.

### Reaffirmed Policies

Additionally, there were many resolutions pertaining to the reaffirming of policies that were scheduled to sunset on July 1, 2017. Those reaffirmed by the delegates are available on the Oregon State Grange website on the Legislative page and will be printed in the 2017 Convention Proceedings.



Above: a session committee at work

## OSG Executive Committee

- Agreement to counter the Franklin offer at \$95,000.
- We voted in favor to ratify the decisions made via email since our last meeting.
- having events.
- Milwaukie is continuing to struggle
- Mud Springs is listed, but no offers yet on the property.
- North Howell has sold.
- Roxy Ann – the community has expressed interest in reorganizing the Grange.
- Stanfield/Columbia are considering a merger.

### Grange Reports

- Chenoweth property title was transferred per previous agreement.
- Fair Oaks – nothing new to report
- Keizer has been declared closed.
- Hillsboro is improving and Susan will be hosting "Healthy Granges" workshops in May. Letters have gone out to

## Meeting Minutes - continued

Subordinate Granges inviting them to attend at Hurricane Creek, Abernethy, Waltherville, and Central Point.

to report as the last meeting was cancelled.

- Salmon River – time for another visit to check in with the Grange.

### Deputy & State Officer Reports

- Azalea – John Fine recently visited and took their Grange Up '17 materials. Things are going well.
- Gresham – membership is growing!
- Mapleton – nothing new to report.
- Pleasant Valley – nothing new

### Next Meetings

Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9am in Salem  
Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm in Salem  
State officer practice – Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm

The meeting adjourned at 4:00pm

Sarah Kingsborough, Secretary

## Sunnyside Grange Holds GRANGEUP '17 Celebration

On May 21 Sunnyside Grange #842, Clackamas County celebrated the 150th birthday of the Grange. Root beer floats and cupcakes followed the program.

Metal Beavers Robotics showed off their robot with a fun demonstration. Sunnyside Grange sponsors the Team which is led by one of their members. Also on the program was a local Square Dance club who, after a demonstration, got those in attendance to get up and dance! Ed Luttrell, Clackamas Pomona Master also was in attendance and spoke about the Grange and the celebration.

The event included a Food Drive Raffle. For every can/item of non-perishable food donated a raffle ticket was given for great prizes that included a Fit-Bit, a tablet and a \$100 Amazon gift card. 188 pounds were collected for the Oregon Food Bank.



Ed Luttrell, Clackamas Pomona Master spoke about the Grange at the celebration.



Above: a local Square Dance group got those in attendance up and dancing!



Metal Beavers Robotics Team gave a fun demonstration of their robots.

## G-RANGEUP '17 COWBOY TEA

On May 21st Lane Pomona Grange held their 12th annual High Tea at Creswell Grange. Prizes were awarded for best costumes and themed foods as well as tea and coffee cups

Vickie Weathers, Master of Creswell Grange, had the idea for the Western Cowboy themed tea. She also did most of the decorating and helped to serve six kinds of teas and coffee. Chuck wagon themed foods which made up the refreshments were all delicious.

A great deal of fun was had those in attending. Many attendees posed with a life size cutout of historic icon movie star, John Wayne. There were also games including a trivia game to name John Wayne movies.



Dottie Jennings, Creswell Grange won best cowgirl costume.

- Awards**
- Best cowgirl costume  
Dottie Jennings, Creswell
  - Best cowboy costume  
Jeff Dehne, Walterville
  - Best Junior costume  
Jerald Clark, Thurston
  - Best western themed food  
Dottie Jennings, Creswell
  - Best tea cup  
Jan Hallman, Macleay
  - Best coffee mug  
Jeff Dehne, Walterville



Jerald Clark, Thurston received a ribbon for best Junior costume.



Jeff Dehne, Walterville Grange, received the award for best dressed cowboy.

## GRANGEUP '17 Engage. Connect. Celebrate. State Convention Pep Rally

One of the highlights of the 144th Annual Convention of the Oregon State Grange was the Pep Rally on Monday night for the GrangeUp '17 program. All convention attendants were invited to the rally where 7 Up floats were served in commemorative GrangeUp '17 mugs.



7 Up floats were served during the GrangeUp '17 Pep Rally at the Oregon State Grange Convention. Left-right: Annette Naylor, Cookie Trupp, Malcolm Trupp and Courtney Cray were kept busy making floats.

The Youth and Young Adults kicked off the event with their band (those were some interesting instruments) and rally squad - thank you guys.

Then the microphone was passed around and stories were shared by



Brothers Cole Wilson and Brandon Anglin served in the Youth and Young Adults band and rally squad for the GrangeUp '17 Pep Rally.

many Granges on how they are applying the program in their Granges and what was working for them.

All in attendance came out with renewed energy to push the program forward and see a substantial net gain in Grange membership for 2017.

Remember monetary prizes for the top three Granges will be awarded for those with the largest percentage of net increase in membership and ice cream socials will be awarded to the top Grange in each district that didn't get a monetary prize.



Many Grangers attended the GrangeUp '17 Pep Rally at the Oregon State Grange Convention sharing stories of their Grange's plans and success stories.

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Moving? Let Us Know.**

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