

## **NEW Ag Innovation of the Year**

This recognition is available to any Oregon Grange member who can submit a device or technique they have used to facilitate, speed, or improve some agricultural task. Every Subordinate/Community Grange is encouraged to submit the good ideas their members have come up with or used. Each Subordinate/Community Grange may certify as many submissions as they feel are qualified.

Applicants must be Grange Members in good standing and the application must be certified by a Subordinate/Community Grange. The application is available on the Oregon State Grange Website and the completed application shall be signed by the Master of the Subordinate/Community Grange.

The applicant must submit a description and explanation of the innovation. This written description should be less than 500 words and describe the innovation and its advantages over standard practice. This is not an essay contest and the submission will be judged on the information, not the grammar. Photos, videos, and drawings are encouraged to help the judges truly understand the particulars of the device or technique submitted. One annual winner will be selected based on the merits, practicality, and advantages of the Innovation described.

Applications must be sent to the State Agriculture Director by **June 1st**.

A three-person panel appointed by the Agriculture Committee will review and rank the submissions based on the description and explanation of the innovation.

The winner will receive a plaque and will be announced at the annual convention.