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Candidate Statements For 2020-22 OSG Officer Elections - Vote At Your Community/Subordinate Grange Meeting In April

The Oregon State Grange elects officers in even years. Below are the names of those members who accepted the nomination of Subordinate/Community Granges for the offices. No member may be a candidate for more than one office. Subordinate/Community Granges shall vote on state officers at any regularly held meeting in April and send in their results to the state office. The report must arrive at the Oregon State Grange office no later than **May 5th at 5pm**. Results must be reported on the Certified Ballot Report with the signature of the Master and Secretary as well as the seal of the Grange in the envelope provide with the ballots and report. An Election Committee will tabulate the votes with results being published in the June Bulletin.

MASTER

Susan Noah



Patrons,
Brothers and
Sisters,

I am indeed honored to accept your nominations for a final term

as Master of the Oregon State Grange and want to thank you for the opportunity. I have enjoyed the years I have been here and will be honored to serve a final two years. Serving the Oregon State Grange in this capacity has allowed me to grow and expand my capabilities and I hope I have brought some new ideas and some growth to our wonderful organization.

I appreciate the trust that you have placed in me over the years, as well as the kindness you have shown to me as I have served in this position. I will do everything in my power to continue to serve the Grange to the best of my abilities and to assure you that the trust you have shown in me is well placed. I have been a member of Mohawk-McKenzie Grange #747 for 51 years and have lived in the Springfield area for over 50 years.

Fraternally,
Susan Noah
Mohawk-McKenzie Grange #747
Lane County
Springfield, Oregon

The candidate statements in this issue were placed below the office heading in the paper in the order the acceptances were received.

Candidate statements conclude with member's name, primary Grange, affiliate Grange, Grange county and town of residence.

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OVERSEER

Jay Sexton



Thank you for your nomination as Overseer. My past term as State Overseer was interesting, learning the inner workings of

State Grange.

In 10 years as a Granger I've attended each State Session. I served as Lecturer, Master, Steward, and Rental Coordinator at my Subordinate, and Secretary at my Pomona. During those ten years Marys River Grange grew from the brink of closure to today's young, strong membership of nearly 100, active in all levels of the Grange.

I served on the OSG DAFH and Education committees, and as Agriculture Director, working at Oregon's Ag Fest, State Fair, FFA State Convention, OSU's Small Farms Conference, and at the State Capital.

We face challenges recruiting and adapting to our changing communities. OSG shares successful ideas, programs, encouragement, and resources to strengthen our local Halls, resulting in State Membership Net Growth in 2017 and 2019.

On Executive Committee I will help steer a wise course for Oregon

Grange. I've learned my parts in the Rituals at State Session, honoring our traditions. We will continue the new efforts we have made in strengthening and supporting the Subordinate and Pomona Granges.

Past Grangers have generously handed on their halls to us, and we must warmly welcome new members, and pass healthy halls on to the future.

Jay Sexton
Marys River Grange #685
Willamette Grange #52
Benton County
Philomath, Oregon

LECTURER

Cookie Trupp



Brothers and
Sisters,

I am honored to be nominated again for Lecturer of the OSG.

I believe the roll of the Lecturer is to present entertaining and educational programs that can enthuse and inspire our membership. We should be a positive example of a Grange member who wants to share the wonderful values of what our organization stands for.

I have enjoyed serving as your Lecturer these past couple years, developing resource material to assist Lecturers in presenting programs that educate members on a variety of timely topics, and encouraging member participation in State Contests. Visiting Granges have given me a great opportunity to meet with Subordinate and Pomona Lecturers, to listen to them talk about their successes, and to help in areas that they have difficulty.

Thank you for the nomination and If elected, I will serve to the best of my ability.

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

Coronavirus: What Can Grangers Do?

The upcoming COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic is most likely to be widespread in the US by mid to late March and April. Some Granges have already felt the need to cancel events where crowds will gather. Others are discussing their options. Use your discretion as to what is best for you and your members. The State Grange is reiterating the generally recommended list of precautions that you should take.

- Get enough sleep, drink enough water.
- NO HANDSHAKING! Use a fist bump, slight bow, elbow bump, etc.
- Use ONLY your knuckle to touch light switches, elevator buttons, doors.
- Open doors with your closed fist or hip.
- Use disinfectant wipes at the

stores, wiping the handle and child seat in grocery carts.

- Wash your hands often with soap for 10-20 seconds and/or use a greater than 60% alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Use hand sanitizer when hand washing isn't available. It's not quite as effective, but it does help. *Can't find? See recipe on page 2*
- If possible, cough or sneeze into a disposable tissue and discard. Use your elbow only if you have to. The clothing on your elbow will contain infectious virus that can be passed on for up to a week or more!

Taken from an article appearing on Oregon Public Broadcasting March 3, 2020. www.opb.org/news/article/coronavirus-pacific-northwest-things-to-know/ and an article by James Robb, MD UC San Diego. "What I am doing for the upcoming COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic"

STEWARD

Phil C. Van Buren



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I wish to thank you for your nominations for me to the office of Steward of the Oregon State Grange.

It has been a privilege to serve you in this capacity for the last two years.

I enjoy the ritualism, degree work and floor work because I feel it sets an example for other members to follow.

We are a great fraternal organization of which I am proud to be a member.

Again, I thank you for allowing me to be an officer and if elected I will serve you to the best of my ability.

Phillip (Phil) C. Van Buren
Midland Grange #781
Klamath County
Jasper Grange #532
Lane County
Klamath Falls, Oregon

Christy Dumolt



It is indeed an honor to accept your nomination as Steward. I am currently Master of Clarkes Grange #261 and have been a member for about 45 years. Nine of those years were as a Junior and about 35 years as a Subordinate Member. I was brought up in a Grange family and when I had my own kids, I raised them in the Grange as well. I have held many positions in the Grange on the Subordinate and Pomona Levels. As a State Youth Officer, I held many different offices including Master, Flora, LAS, & AS. As a member of a Clackamas County Grange I was on many Degree Teams and Drill Teams in my youth so I learned to march and do floor work from some of the best Grangers in the state. I was on my first drill team at the age of 5.

If I am elected Steward, I will bring my best work to the floor of the Oregon State Grange, and serve with the best of my ability.

Christy Dumolt
Clarkes Grange #261
Clackamas County
Beavercreek, Oregon

ASSISTANT STEWARD

Sean Burris

I am retired Army, while in the Army the acronym for the soldiers guide and theme was LDRSHIP, meaning Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity, and Personal Courage. This acronym has guided me within my life so much that it's on my arm as a reminder.

I will learn my duties, and performs as Aid to the Steward in program preparation and closing, regalia, set an example through the proper recognition of the Alter presentation, to help guide candidates movements in the dark during degree work, to keep order and movement as symbols, to report members, and introduce visitors. To stand and move on behalf of local, county, state, and national visions and interests in community and agricultural needs. I am duly notified of the agreement I make and of the personal requirements necessary. I am pleased to stand in this nomination with my beautiful wife Misty, and that we may represent the OSG in these positions that help to set the timing and space for the Good of the Order of the OSG. I am truly honored to have been nominated as the Assistant Steward.

Thank you,
Sean P. Burris
Creswell Grange #496
Lane County
Riversdale Grange #731
Douglas County
Winston, Oregon

LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD

Connie Suing



Patrons,

I am honored to accept the nomination of Lady Assistant Steward of the Oregon State Grange.

My Grange roots run deep as my family is a 5 generation Legacy Grange family. The Grange has always been a very important part of my life, and of my families. While I have lived in Eugene for more than 20 years, myself and my family continue to call Crow Grange our Grange home.

I have belonged to Crow Grange in Lane County since 1976, having held many offices, including Ceres, Lecturer, Treasurer, Lady Assistant Steward, Overseer, and am currently Master. I have been a member of Lane Pomona Grange since 1977 and have held the offices of Ceres, Pomona, Executive Committee, and am currently Lady Assistant Steward. I took my 6th degree in Grants Pass in 1977. I am a 7th degree member having taken the 7th degree in 1985 in Eugene.

I am also currently the Oregon State Grange Youth and Young Adult Director, truly enjoying getting to know and work with many youth throughout the state for these past 4 years. I was also the Oregon State Grange Ceres from 1988 to 1994 and from 1996 to 2004.

I truly try my best every time I am on the Grange floor, performing the floorwork to the best of my ability. If chosen to be your LAS, I will continue to give you my best.

Fraternally,
Connie Suing
Crow Grange #450
Lane County
Eugene, Oregon

April 2020 is Grange Month

April is Grange Month and time to celebrate 153 years of Grange. This year's theme is "Cultivating Connections" and the National Grange has provided Granges with a poster which can be individualized for your Grange, a cover photo for your Facebook page, and a Cultivating Connections logo. All are available at orgrange.org/subordinatecommunity-grange-information/ along with a Grange Month Proclamation that you can take to your local city council or county commissioners for recognition. Grange Month is the perfect time to cultivate connections in your community and invite some of these folks to join your Grange. And most of all, celebrate and have fun!

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Recipe for Homemade Hand Sanitizer

Due to panic buying hand sanitizer has become almost impossible to buy at local stores around the state. One option is to make your own.



- 1/3 cup aloe vera gel
- 2/3 cup 99% rubbing alcohol
- 8-10 drops Essential oil, optional {such as vanilla, lavender, grapefruit, peppermint, etc.}

Mix ingredients. Put funnel in the opening of a bottle and pour the mixed ingredients into it.

OSG 2020 GRIT Conferences				
County	Conference Date/Day	Time	Host Grange	
Tillamook/Lincoln/Clatsop	March 12th Thur	3:00 PM	White Clover	
Linn/Benton/Marion/Polk	March 14th Sat	10:00 AM	Morningstar	
Baker/Malheur	April 3rd Fri	3:00 PM	Missouri Flat	
Malheur/Grant	April 4th Sat	10:00 AM	Mt. Vernon	
Deschutes/Jefferson	April 4th Sat	6:00 PM	Terrebonne	
Deschutes/Klamath/Lake	April 5th Sun	1:00 PM	Little Deschutes	
Washington/Yamhill	April 7th Tue	5:30 PM	Forest Grove	
Wallowa/Union	April 17th Fri	3:00 PM	Hurricane Creek	
Umatilla/Union/Morrow/Wheeler	April 18th Sat	10:00 AM	Columbia #867	
Hood River/Wasco	April 19th Sun	2:00 PM	Rockford	
Columbia	April 28th Tue	5:00 PM	Fernhill	

I have tried to note all of the counties with Granges and have "assigned" them to a particular date and place, but if that does not work for you feel free to attend any of the sessions.

Misty Burris

The role and responsibilities of the Office of Lady Assistant Steward marks proper movement and flow. The response to Order and form to bring forth symbol, report, visitor and member. To guide in unison and with consideration to the necessary pace and procedures to fulfill motion and request. To stand and move in support of the local, county, state and national vision and interests of community and agriculture. I am duly notified of the agreement I make and of the personal requirements necessary. I am pleased to stand in this nomination with my beloved Sean that we might be asked to represent the duality of the assistants to the Steward's requests on behalf of the Worthy Master and the Good of the Order. I am graciously honored by the nomination and do accept the opportunity.

Fraternally Yours,
Misty Burris
Riversdale Grange #731
Douglas County
Creswell Grange #496
Lane County
Winston, Oregon

CHAPLAIN

Randi Embree



Worthy Master,
Brothers and Sisters:

I'm honored to accept my nomination to serve as the OSG Chaplain

for the upcoming term. Truly and without irony "I'd be delighted."

In Faith, Hope, Charity and Fidelity,

Randi Embree
Macleay Grange #293
Marion County
Silverton, Oregon

Daniel W. Le Brun



I am delighted to have been nominated by my brothers and sisters for the office of Chaplain of the Oregon State Grange.

I would like to think the Granges that nominated me for that office and I accept the nomination.

I have been a Grange member for over 25 years and have held the following Offices in Eagle Creek Grange they are: Assistant Steward, Lecturer, Master, Overseer, and now serve as Secretary of the Eagle Creek Grange.

In Clackamas County Pomona Grange, I have held the following offices: Chaplain, Executive Committee, County Deputy, Gatekeeper and served as Assistant Steward. In the Oregon State Grange,

I was the District Four Deputy, District Four Education Chairman and served as the Education Director. I was also the Oregon State Chaplain.

As Chaplain of the Oregon State Grange I will work hard and send out Get Well Cards and Sympathy Cards to the Grangers in need to the best of my Abilities to help the Grange Programs.

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

TREASURER

Sonny Hays-Eberts



I am Sonny Hays-Eberts of Marys River Grange #685, located in Philomath, Benton County, and am running for the office of

Oregon State Grange Treasurer. I have served two terms as Treasurer of Marys River Grange and implemented a new reporting system allowing members to make more informed financial decisions. I am now serving as Treasurer of Willamette Grange #52 and am working on implementing a similar system.

I have served on the State Communication team, and feel I work effectively with the State Officer team. I understand the State Grange utilizes a bookkeeper and the duties of Treasurer do not involve day to day control of operations as in a Subordinate Grange, but I can offer some talents for the office. I have experience with electronic transfers and would like to develop direct electronic payments between the State Grange and interested Subordinate/Pomona Granges, bypassing the delay and cost of issuing checks for participating parties.

I would also like to establish a Ways and Means Committee to explore new income sources for Youth Camp and the State Grange such as grant proposals and new fund-raising activities that might benefit the State Grange, Subordinate Granges and partner organizations.

Sonny Hays-Eberts
Marys River Grange #685
Willamette Grange #52
Benton County
Philomath, Oregon

SECRETARY

Sarah Kingsborough



Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for nominating me for another term as Secretary of the Oregon State Grange.

It has been an honor to serve the members of Oregon as a state officer for the last several years. I enjoy sharing my talents with the Grange and working with all of you.

Currently I am a member of Sandlake Grange in Tillamook County. This year I will be moving within Oregon and plan to continue active membership with my new husband and kids. One of the greatest blessings of Grange membership is in sharing experiences with family and friends across the state. I look forward to seeing you at a Grange activity soon!

Fraternally,
Sarah Kingsborough
Warner Grange #117
Clackamas County
Sandlake Grange #546
Tillamook County
Springfield, Oregon

GATEKEEPER

Patrick Dearth



Thank you for nominating me for the office of Oregon State Grange Gatekeeper.

I am current Master at

Creswell Grange #496, where I previously served as Lecturer. I am also the current Steward of Crow Grange #450. I serve as Education Chair for Lane Pomona Grange #14 and Chair the Annual Scholarship Benefit Auction.

I have been a Delegate to State Convention representing Creswell Grange and currently serve on the Oregon State Grange Community Service Committee. Last November I chaired the Oregon State Grange entry in the Albany Veterans Day Parade.

Thank you again for nominating me for Oregon State Grange Gatekeeper.

Fraternally,
Patrick Dearth
Creswell Grange #496
Crow Grange #450
Lane County
Eugene, Oregon

Orrin Schnetzky



Orrin Schnetzky
Tigard Grange #148
Washington County
Tigard, Oregon



CERES

Linda Pugh



Brothers and Sisters, thank you for nominating me for a state office. I am a Life Member of Ada Grange #570; I live in West-

lake, Or in Lane County. It would be my honor to serve as your Oregon State Grange Ceres.

Fraternally,
Linda Pugh
Ada Grange #570
Lane County
Westlake, Oregon

Jessie Jo Guttridge



Brothers and Sisters,

It is an honor to accept your nomination for Ceres of the Oregon State Grange.

I am a member of Springwater Grange #263, where I serve as Lady Assistant Steward and the Youth Chairman. I also serve these offices in Clackamas Pomona #1. I have served as the National Youth Ceres twice and was honored to be the 2018-2019 State Youth Ambassador for Oregon as well as the 2019 State Youth Master.

The Grange has helped make me who I am today, and I would be honored and privileged to be allowed to serve as your State Ceres.

Thank you for your nomination.

Jessie Jo Guttridge
Springwater Grange #263
Clackamas County
Estacada, Oregon

POMONA

Carmel Valencia

In 2016, I and my family joined the Grange. Over a few short years, I have developed a deep appreciation for the good work our organization accomplishes. I am the Lecturer at the Phoenix Grange #779, and Master of Jackson Pomona #27. I am currently the Treasurer for the Oregon State Grange Foundation.

I have also been proud to represent our state at the 2016 and 2019 National Grange's Evening of Excellence. I am honored to be considered to serve as a State Grange Officer in the role of Pomona. I would be glad to contribute my time and efforts to further developing my knowledge and building stronger

relationships within our community. I respectfully request your consideration.

Yours fraternally,
Carmel Valencia
Phoenix Grange #779
Jackson County
Medford, Oregon

Linda Helm

Brothers and Sisters of the Oregon State Grange,

I do not have the poetic flair of my daughter Quiana Helm Manahan or the poetic silliness of my other half, Wayne Cabler but I am incredibly thrilled and excited to accept the nomination for Pomona of the Oregon State Grange.

With 25 years as a member of Phoenix Grange #779 and an affiliate of Central Point #698 you might say that I truly enjoy being a part of this organization. Thank you for the nomination and if elected I would endeavor to be the best Pomona ever.

Linda Helm
Phoenix Grange #779
Central Point Grange #698
Jackson County
Medford, Oregon

EX. COMM. POSITION #1

John Fine



Brothers and Sisters,

It is with deep appreciation that I accept your nomination for Oregon State Grange

Executive Committee position #1. Throughout my over 50 years of membership in the Grange, it has been my purpose to be of service to the organization and specifically the members. It has been truly an honor to serve as a member of the Executive Committee this last term and I look forward to be of further service.

The power of the Grange does not rest with the officers but is entrusted to the individual community Grange members. My goal is that you will be pleased with my endeavor

FLORA

Sandi Ludi



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It is with great pleasure and deep honor to accept the nomination for Flora of the Oregon State Grange. I grew up in the Grange (literally) as my parents were members when I was born. To date I have been blessed to have been a member for 51 years! In the past I have actually served as Flora of the Oregon State Grange as well as Lady Assistant Steward, Co-Youth Director and recently as Co-Membership Director. My husband, Bob and I met when we were participating in Grange Youth activities in the 70's. We were Oregon's Outstanding Young Grangers, Outstanding Young Couple, and then National Grange Outstanding Young Couple. The Grange has always been a huge part of our life. We have met lots of wonderful Grangers over the years!

If elected as Flora of the Oregon State Grange I will fulfill the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

Fraternally,
Sandi Ludi
Sunnyside Grange #842
Boring-Damascus #260
Clackamas County
Sandy, Oregon

or to be of service to each of you.

The Grange still encounters several challenges as we embark on a new decade. The solutions to these challenges will require a concerted effort of all. Each one of the members is vital to the growth and prosperity of the organization. Challenges are provided to us by our God to test our abilities and to direct our assessment for the future. I believe that I am better prepared to continue your work in the next year because of these challenges.

I am grateful for all your continued support and prayers.

John M. Fine
Riversdale Grange #731
Douglas County
Roseburg, Oregon

EX. COMM. POSITION #2

Sam Keator



I am honored to be nominated for the office of Executive Committee #2.

I have been currently serving on the Executive

Committee for this past term and currently on the Executive Committee at the Winona Grange #271, Steward of the Washington-Yamhill Pomona #2 and District #3 Lecturer committee.

If the delegates at the State convention this summer elect me, I will serve to the best of my abilities.

Fraternally to you,
Sam Keator
Winona Grange #271
Washington County
Tualatin, Oregon

EX. COMM. POSITION #3

Louise Holst



Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your nominations for the office of Executive Committee district #3.

It has been my privilege and an honor to be on the executive committee. I have always enjoyed the ritual portion of the Grange and now on the executive committee I am seeing more of the business and day to day workings of the state office. Your state grange Master and the executive committee have worked together to make our State Grange run as smoothly, and as financially secure as possible.

Please make sure your Grange votes and returns the ballots as this process is a part of YOUR voice in YOUR state Grange. Take advantage of this, and seriously consider each nomination.

Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me by your nominations.

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

Your Name: _____ **Moving? Let Us Know.**

Old Address: _____ **New Address:** _____

City/State/Zip: _____ **City/State/Zip:** _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Grange Name/Number: _____

Please provide name of any Subordinate/Community Grange office/Committee Chairman positions currently held.

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