

2023 Oregon State Grange Convention - Presentation Schedule

Sunday

How to Put Together a Community Service Book Sunday, June 18th, 7:30 am North Kitchen Alcove

Liz Dehne - Community Service Committee Director, Oregon State Grange

Grange and Social Media

Sunday, June 18th, 1:30 pm Main Hall

Breanna Hays-McKay Youth Committee, Oregon State Grange

Come and see different social media avenues you can take to help grow your Grange. We will even be making a TikTok.

Monday

Introduction to Canva

Monday, June 19th, 7:30 am North Kitchen Alcove

Phil Vonada – National Grange Communications Director

In this workshop, we will work together step-by-step on creating eye-catching social media graphics, flyers, or ads. Bring your laptops to follow along on canva.com - a (mostly) free-to-use online software. No prior knowledge necessary!

Caring for our Grange Halls: the next 100 years Monday, June 19th, 7:30 am North Building B

Autumn Peterson - Heritage Natural Finishes, LLC

A lover of old buildings will share her insights into care and maintenance of windows, doors, and floors. Stains, finishes, paints, and preparation, and some historical info on the care of our Halls. Q&A, too

BINGO – Facts and Demonstration

Monday, June 19, 8:00 pm Dining Area

Lyle Utt – Education Committee Director, Oregon State Grange

This will be a presentation of the laws for running bingo in the State of Oregon, including the license levels. Tools needed to run a bingo game, and what other granges do when putting on bingo at their hall. There will be time for questions and then a short (one or two games depending on time) run of bingo.

Tuesday

Natural Landscape Design

Tuesday, June 20th, 7:30 am North Kitchen Alcove

June Colony - Ag Committee Director, Oregon State Grange

Creating a natural landscape at home or farm. Combining desired uses, site analysis, and natural landscape functions to create an easy care and supportive living and working environment. Attendees should bring a map or drawing of their areas to be designed.

Benefits and Services Available to Veterans in Oregon Tuesday, June 20th, 7:30 am North Dining Area

Eric Enderle and Andrew Webster - Polk County Veterans Services Program

Information and discussion of benefits and services offered to Oregon veterans and their dependents.

The Hidden Homeless

Tuesday, June 20th, 7:30 am North Building B

Lilly Anderson – Deaf Awareness and Family Health Committee Director

Homelessness in small towns and communities looks different than it does in bigger cities, and these areas have not been able to document the numbers that bring in funding, and what some are doing to try to circumvent this.

Telling the Grange Story

Tuesday, June 20th, 2:30 pm Main Hall

Phil Vonada – National Grange Communications Director – Session Floor

This workshop will be about crafting a message for your Grange, and communicating it to the people around you. Whether in person, online, or in print, your Grange's story is constantly evolving and can resonate differently with everyone.

Reds, Whites, Sparkling, Rosés!

Tuesday, June 20th, 3:30 pm North Kitchen Alcove

Courtney Gordon - Hospitality Manager at Sweet Cheeks Winery Eugene, OR

Attend an interesting presentation on wine as an agricultural commodity. From barrels to corks to vineyard practices and easy food pairings. This presentation will be informational and applicable to your life. There's so much to appreciate in what goes into the making of a bottle of wine!

OSU Extension – the many offerings

Tuesday, June 20th, 3:30 pm North Dining Area

Polk County representatives from Oregon State University Extension

Discussing programs offered regionally and statewide. Haley White, Small Farms Coordinator will talk about resources for landowners and small-scale farmers. Rachel Brandon will talk about the 4-H Youth Development program statewide, and how you can get involved. Alisha Hutchison will share about some of the other programs and services provided by OSU Extension, including groundwater protection and other water issues, Agritourism, Fire Prevention, Food Safety & Preservation and Home Gardening.

Filling Out Community Service Report Forms

Tuesday, June 20th, 3:30 pm North Building B

Liz Dehne - Community Service Committee Director, Oregon State Grange

Wednesday

What Does the Oregon State Grange Do For Us?

Wednesday, June 21, 7:30 am Main Hall

Jay Sexton - President Oregon State Grange

A PowerPoint presentation describing the income, expenses, staffing, and functions of the Oregon State Grange. What the State Organization does to support Community Granges. How the State Officer Elections work. Followed by Q & A.

Rotational Grazing

Wednesday, June 21th, 7:30 am North Kitchen Alcove

Speaker: June Colony - Ag Committee Director, Oregon State Grange

Learn to manage your pastures using a intensive, rotational method which simultaneously improves your pastures vegetation while supplying ample pasture for your livestock.

Growing Hope Together

Wednesday, June 21, 10 am Main Hall

Confronting the Rural Mental Health Emergency

Chuck Strand – Rural Minds Executive Director - The National Grange / Rural Minds Partnership

This presentation will acknowledge the rural mental health emergency with statistics, unique challenges, and the stigma that surrounds mental illness in rural America. The National Grange is partnering with Rural Minds, a nonprofit with the mission to serve as the informed voice for mental health in rural America and to provide mental health information and resources. “Growing Hope Together” is a partnership campaign developed to confront rural suicide awareness and prevention. With self-reliance and a do-it-yourself mindset common among many people in rural America, we recognize the opportunity to empower people with information and training so they can become part of the solution to improving rural mental health.

Secretary's Corner Q&A

Wednesday 4 pm Main Hall

The Four “S” Susan Noah, Sonny Hays-Eberts, Steve Kroeker & Suzy Ramm

Come asks your questions about Secretary duties, 990's, forms from the state office, quarterly reports, membership records, website member access and calendar, Bulletin submissions, membership awards, etc.