

# Oregon State Grange Journal of Proceedings



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## Officers of the Oregon State Grange

Master, Susan Noah	643 Union St NE, Salem 97301	503-316-0106
Overseer, Celia Luttrell	19929 E Victory Ln, Sandy 97055	503-313-1677
Lecturer, Linda Helm	4155 Omaha Ave, Medford 97501	541-944-9612
Steward, Lexie Suing	4557 Spring Meadow Ave, Eugene 97404	541-562-2674
A.S., Phil Van Buren	780 Del Fatti Ln, Klamath Falls 97603	541-883-8490
L.A.S., Louise Holst	780 Del Fatti Ln, Klamath Falls 97603	541-883-8490
Chaplain, Peggy Fine	618 Temple Brown Rd, Roseburg 97470	541-673-0369
Treasurer, Paula Herrick	88088 Millican Rd, Springfield 97478	541-741-1046
Secretary, Sarah Kingsborough	PO Box 118, Tillamook 97141	414-510-0469
Gatekeeper, Jim Clute	925 Gales Creek Rd, Forest Grove 97116	503-953-4171
Ceres, Liz Dehne	40370 Deerhorn Rd, Springfield	541-746-9974
Pomona, Mikela Heimuller	224 S 14 <sup>th</sup> St, St. Helens 97051	503-369-2575
Flora, Eva Frost	PO Box 1453, Scappoose 97056	503-816-8904
Ex Com District 1, Jeff Dehne	40370 Deerhorn Rd, Springfield	541-746-9974
Ex Com District 2, Don Sether	10210 S Monte Cristo, Molalla 97038	503-829-2756
Ex Com District 3, Roger Wilson	49667 River Rd, Pendleton 97801	541-276-3778
Musician, Linda Wetzell	190 West N St, Springfield 97477	541-579-6182

## Appointed Positions

OSG Deputy, Carol Everman	74642 Larson Rd, Rainier 97048	503-556-3376
Special Deputy, Malcolm Trupp	85495 Chezem Rd, Eugene 97405	541-686-0583

## County Deputies

Baker	Fred Riggs	PO Box 161, Richland 97870	541-893-6497
Benton	Jim Gray	32551 Joseph Ln, Philomath 97370	541-929-6160
Clackamas	Joyce Parker	PO Box 13, Colton 97917	503-502-6188
Columbia/Clatsop	Eva Frost	PO Box 1453, Scappoose 97056	503-816-8904
Coos/Curry/WC	Phyllis Wilson	PO Box 335, Myrtle Point 97458	541-572-4117
Deschutes	Myrna Colvin	PO Box 2039, Terrebonne 97760	541-788-0865

<b>Deschutes</b>	<b>Louise Holst</b>	780 Del Fatti Ln, Klamath Falls 97603	541-883-8490
<b>Douglas</b>	<b>Sue Westbrook</b>	PO Box 2001, Myrtle Creek 97457	757-362-4018
<b>Jackson</b>	<b>Wayne Marshall</b>	PO Box 441, Eagle Point 97525	541-973-2427
<b>Josephine</b>	<b>William Waggoner</b>	1920 Thompson Creek Rd, Selma 97538	541-597-2427
<b>Lane</b>	<b>Dennis Chapman</b>	1534 Jason Lee Ave, Cottage Grove 97424	541-942-9681
<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>Annabelle Loomis</b>	224 Pioneer Mountain Loop, Toledo 97391	541-336-2866
<b>Linn</b>	<b>Maxine Smith</b>	41978 Clark Smith Dr, Lebanon 97355	541-258-3259
<b>Marion</b>	<b>Randi Embree</b>	548 Drift Creek Rd NE, Silverton 97381	971-267-9364
<b>Multnomah</b>	<b>Cat Thomas</b>	1649 NE Kane Dr, Gresham 97030 Text only	503-784-5668
<b>Polk</b>	<b>Gerald Freeman</b>	3750 Oak Grove Rd, Rickreall 97371	503-364-7022
<b>Tillamook</b>	<b>Sarah Kingsborough</b>	PO Box 118, Tillamook 97141	414-510-0469
<b>Umatilla/Morrow</b>	<b>Muriel Darr</b>	232 Anderson Circle, Boardman 97818	541-481-2299
<b>Wallowa</b>	<b>Jeff Curry</b>	82835 Weatherman Rd, Enterprise 97828	541-828-7840
<b>Washington/Yamhill</b>	<b>Ed Thurston</b>	10251 SW River Bend Rd, McMinnville 97128	503-835-5112

## Standing Committees of the Oregon State Grange

### Agriculture Committee

<b>Director</b>	<b>Jay Sexton</b>	232 N 8 <sup>th</sup> St, Philomath 97370	541-829-2907
<b>District 1</b>	<b>Jason Couch</b>	117 W 1 <sup>st</sup> St, Phoenix 97535	541-890-7354
<b>District 2</b>	<b>Randi Embree</b>	548 Drift Creek Rd SE, Silverton 97381	971-267-9364
<b>District 3</b>			Open
<b>District 4</b>	<b>Jessie Jo Guttridge</b>	24775 S Springwater Rd, Estacada 97023	503-630-6238
<b>District 5</b>			Open
<b>District 6</b>	<b>June Colony</b>	67497 Lostine River Rd, Lostine 97857	541-569-2388
<b>At Large</b>	<b>Vernon &amp; Paula Herrick</b>	88088 Millican Rd, Springfield 97478	541-561-3407

### Communications Committee

<b>Director</b>	<b>Sarah Kingsborough</b>	PO Box 118, Tillamook 97141	414-510-0469
<b>At Large</b>	<b>Mark Noah</b>	1407 Modoc St, Springfield 97477	541-726-6106
<b>At Large</b>	<b>Marilyn Reiher</b>	5498 Tree St, Lake Oswego 97035	503-430-8582
<b>At Large</b>	<b>Suzy Ramm</b>	643 Union St NE, Salem 97301	503-316-0106

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## Standing Committees of the Oregon State Grange

### Community Service-Involvement Committee

Director	Eva Frost	PO Box 1453, Scappoose 97056	503-816-8904
District 1	Darlene Anderson	3825 Lakeshore Dr, Selma 97538	541-597-4486
District 2	Cookie Trupp	PO Box 25425, Eugene 97402	541-686-0583
District 3	Cindy Becker	PO Box 1453, Scappoose 97056	503-799-4501
District 4	Cathy Assad	17954 SE Addie St, Milwaukie 97267	971-201-8751
District 5	Louise Holst	780 Del Fatti Ln, Klamath Falls 97603	541-883-8490
District 6	Debbi deBoer	509 Locust Ave, Nyssa 97913	541-212-1762

### Deaf Awareness and Family Health Committee

Director	Peggy Jillson	987 Tivoli, Eugene 97404	541-689-7964
District 1	Lynn Johnson	PO Box 359, Florence 97439	541-997-1543
District 2	Genie Harden	85240 Chezem Rd, Eugene 97405	541-341-1709
District 3	Doris Thurston	10251 SW River Bend Rd, McMinnville 97128	503-835-5112
District 4	Sen Speroff	15001 NW Skyline Blvd, Portland 97231	503-621-3331
District 5			Open
District 6			Open

### Education Committee

Director	Lyle Utt	905 SW Lawnridge St, Albany 97321	541-361-8515
District 1	John Fine	618 Temple Brown Rd, Roseburg 97470	541-673-0369
District 2	Toni Hoyman	232 N 8th St, Philomath 97370	541-929-5452
District 3	Marcia Roberts	PO Box 303, Rainier 97048	360-431-1057
District 4	Paul 'Pat' Eck	11502 SE Washington St, Portland 97216	503-262-4970
District 5			Open
District 6			Open

### Grange Workers Activities (GWA)

Director	Margaret Clute	925 Gales Creek Rd, Forest Grove 97116	503-927-5365
District 1	Linda Pugh	08087 Fiddle Creek Rd, Westlake 97493	541-997-4254
District 2	Liz Dehne	40370 Deerhorn Rd, Springfield 97478	541-746-9974
District 3	Julie Schnetzky	11860 SW 91st Ave, Tigard 97223	503-804-3645
District 4	Leila Dumolt	8502 S Oster Rd, Woodburn 97071	503-939-6127
District 5	Darlene McDonnell	PO Box 2294, LaPine 97739	541-876-5371
District 6	Joanne McBride	63232 Scotch Creek Rd, Enterprise 97828	541-426-0463
At Large	Diane Parrott	5140 Crusher Dr, Parkdale 97041	541-352-7418

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## Junior Committee

Directors	Elizabeth Williams	1035 21 <sup>st</sup> Ave SE, Albany 97322	541-730-1072
	Kegan Williams	1035 21 <sup>st</sup> Ave SE, Albany 97322	541-730-1076
District 1	Heather Elliott	PO Box 352, Florence 97439	541-590-0635
District 2	Iva May Van Noy	1216 Bramblewood Ln, Eugene 97404	541-689-0624
District 3	Tina Reynolds	P.O. Box 703, Forest Grove 97116	503-523-6939
District 4			Open
District 5,			Open
District 6,	Elvaree Fine	208 Roberts St, Enterprise 97828	541-426-4437

## Lecturer's Committee

Director,	Linda Helm	4155 Omaha Ave, Medford 97501	541-944-9612
District 1,	Carmel Valencia	79 Betty Jo Way, Talent 97540	541-200-5160
District 2,	Roberta O'Dell	PO Box 236, Lyons 97358	503-859-3445
District 3,	Theresa Thorud	23585 NW Jacobsen Rd #56, Hillsboro 97124	503-645-5593
District 4,	Dan LeBrun	17780 Towle Dr, Sandy 97055	503-668-8533
District 5,	Vicki High	PO Box 62, Midland 97634	541-591-1019
District 6,	David McBride	63232 Scotch Creek Rd, Enterprise 97828	541-426-0463

## Legislative Committee

Director,	Mark Noah	1407 Modoc St, Springfield 97477	541-726-6106
District 1,	Harold Johnson	PO Box 359, Florence 97439	541-997-1543
District 2,	Martin McClure	81142 Territorial Ln, Eugene 97405	541-214-9293
District 3,	Orrin Schnetzky	11860 SW 91 <sup>st</sup> Ave, Tigard 97223	971-998-4781
District 4,	Don Kingsborough	PO Box 148, West Linn 97068	503-636-2544
District 5,	Dean High	PO Box 62, Midland 97634	541-591-3000
District 6,	Scot Jacobson	1717 Southgate Pl, Pendleton 97801	541-278-0615
Lobbyist	John DeHaas	PO Box 940, Fairview 97024	503-706-2498

## Membership Committee

Directors,	Bob Ludi	18275 Myra Ct, Sandy 97055	503-351-7148
	Sandi Ludi	18275 Myra Ct, Sandy 97055	503-310-2620
District 1,	Jill Hamm	932 NE Dewey, Grants Pass 97526	541-660-4435
District 2,	Jeff Dehne	40370 Deerhorn Rd, Springfield 97478	541-746-9974
District 3,	Sam Keator	PO Box 4746, Tualatin 97062	503-819-2689
District 4,	Linda Short	2115 Avalon Way, Hood River 97031	541-490-9287
District 5,	Myrna Colvin	PO Box 2039, Terrebonne 97760	541-788-0865
District 6,	Clarann & Derrell Witty	65156 Mawhin Rd, Enterprise 97828	541-426-3039
At Large	Cat Thomas	1649 NE Kane Dr, Gresham 97030	Text 503-784-5668



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## Standing Committees of the Oregon State Grange

### Veterans Committee

Director	Jim Clute	925 Gales Creek Rd, Forest Grove 97116	503-953-4171
District 1,	Bill Waggoner	1920 Thompson Creek Rd, Selma 97538	541-597-2427
District 2,	Howard Gabel	34150 Lacombe Rd, Lebanon 97355	541-541-2195
District 3,	Alan Becker	PO Box 1054, Scappoose 97056	503-887-5538
District 4,	Kim Schettig	10400 SE Cook St #86, Milwaukie 97222	503-706-4461
District 5,	Richard McDonnell	PO Box 2294, LaPine 97739	541-876-7414
District 6,	Roger Wilson	49667 River Rd, Pendleton 97801	541-310-9641
At Large	Richard Wyant	PO Box 234, Cheshire 97419	541-998-2803
	Phil Van Buren	780 Del Fatti Ln, Klamath Falls 97603	541-883-8490

### Youth Committee

Director,	Connie Suing	4557 Spring Meadow Ave, Eugene 97404	541-556-2609
District 1,	Erica Anderson	1300 Lake Shore Dr, Selma 97538	541-231-0998
District 2,	Pat Heard	83 N Cedar, Eugene 97402	541-345-2126
District 3,	Mikela Heimuller	224 S 14 <sup>th</sup> St, St Helens 97051	503-369-2675
	Brenda Hoag	59043 Glacier Ave, St Helens 97051	541-515-0340
District 4,	Joyce Parker	PO Box 13, Colton 97017	503-502-6188
District 5,	Teresa Brott	PO Box 1767, Redmond 97756	541-504-5686
District 6	Gail Wilson	49667 River Rd, Pendleton 97801	541-276-3778
At Large	Lexie Suing	4557 Spring Meadow Ave, Eugene 97404	971-998-4781



## GRANGERYOUTH

### Oregon Youth Officer Team 2018

Master:	Cole Wilson, White Eagle #683, Umatilla Co.
Overseer:	Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater #263, Clackamas Co.
Lecturer:	Aleshia Anglin, White Eagle #683, Umatilla Co.
Steward:	Lexie Suing, Crow #450, Lane Co.
Assistant Steward:	Brandon Anglin - White Eagle #683, Umatilla Co Lady Assistant
Lady Assistant Steward:	Maggie Swartzendruber, Riversdale #731, Douglas Co.
Chaplain:	Veronica Ford, Terrebonne #663, Deschutes Co.
Treasurer:	Briauna Herrick, Walterville #416, Lane Co.
Secretary:	Payton Miller, Lexington #726, Morrow Co.
Gatekeeper:	Gracie Hays, Abernethy #346, Clackamas Co.
Ceres:	Mikela Heimuller, Warren #536, Columbia Co.
Pomona:	Kailey McKay, Fairmount #252, Benton Co.
Flora:	Elizabeth Williams, Fairmount #252, Benton Co.
Executive Committee:	Derek Purdy, Crow #450, Lane Co.
Executive Committee:	Breanna McKay, Abernethy #346, Clackamas Co.
Executive Committee:	Cody Dunsmuir, Eagle Creek #297, Clackamas Co.
Music- Electronic	David Wallace, Fern Hill #592, Columbia Co.
Musician:	Julie Wheeler, Deer Island #947, Columbia Co.

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## 2018 Oregon State Junior Officers

Master:	Riley Reynolds, Santiam Valley #828, Linn County
Overseer:	Terry Elliott, Ada #570, Lane County
Lecturer:	Breauna Herrick (Youth), Walterville #416, Lane County
Steward:	Ethan Utt, Fairmount #252, Benton County
Assistant Steward:	Jade Naylor, Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Lady Assistant Steward:	Delillah Lantz, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Lane County
Chaplain:	Payton Miller (Youth), Lexington #726, Morrow County
Treasurer/Secretary:	Zachery Jacobson, Columbia #867, Umatilla County
Gatekeeper:	KyMBER Anglin, White Eagle #683, Umatilla County
Ceres:	Taylor Elliott, Ada #570, Lane County
Pomona	Anastasia Williams, Fairmount #252, Benton County
Flora:	Aislin McClain, Irving #377, Lane County
Executive Committee #1:	Riona McClain, Irving #377, Lane County
Executive Committee #2:	Jameson Wood, Hurricane Creek #608, Wallowa County
Executive Committee #3:	Bennett McKay Fairmount #252, Benton County





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## State Convention Committees

### Agriculture

Chairperson: Jay Sexton, Benton Pomona #36  
Vice Chairperson: David McBride, Hurricane Creek #608

Sharon Tracy, Beaver Valley #306  
Judy Hays-Eberts, Marys River #685  
Darlene McDonnell, Little Deschutes 939  
June Colony, Wallowa Pomona #22

Judy Lee, Azalea #786  
Dan LeBrun, Eagle Creek #297  
Nadine Reed, Jasper #532

### Budget

Chairperson: Jim Dumolt, Clarkes #261)

Robert O'Dell, Santiam Valley #828

### By-Laws

Chairperson: Jeff Dehne, Walterville #416  
Vice Chairperson: Scott Jacobson, Umatilla Pomona #26

John Fine, Douglas Pomona #13  
Sam Keator, Washington-Yamhill #2  
Celia Luttrell, Boring-Damascus #260

John Knox, Forest Grove #282  
Ann Rawlins, Mohawk-McKenzie 747  
Annett Naylor, Clackamas Pomona 1

### Credentials

Chairperson: Louise Holst, Midland #781  
Vice Chairperson: Myrna Colvin, Terrebonne #663

JaDala Coyle, Lacombe #907

### Education

Chairperson: Lyle Utt, Benton Pomona #36  
Vice Chairperson: Ken Naylor, Clarkes #261

Marcia Roberts, Beaver Homes #518  
Kailey Mckay, Fairmount #252  
Wayne Marshall, Lake Creek #697

Doris Reid, Columbia #867

### Environment and Ecology

Chairpersons: Tim Dehne, Willamette #52  
Peggy Ivy, Washington-Yamhill Pomona #2

Sammy Hays-Eberts, Mary's Rivers #685  
Lexie Suing, Crow #450  
Diane Schofield, Lake Creek #697

Bruce Wallace, Fern Hill #592  
Anna Massingham, Jasper #532  
Chris Hardy, Bellview #759

### Federal Affairs

Chairperson: Wayne Cabler, Central Point #698  
Vice Chairperson: Connie Suing, Crow #450

Bill Dodds, Multnomah #71  
James Stutz, Santa Clara #746  
Patrick Dearth, Creswell

Inez Locken, Wallowa Pomona #22



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### **Good of the Order**

Chairperson: Malcolm Trupp, Spencer Creek #855  
Vice Chairperson: Phyllis Wilson, Greenacres #834

Peggy Jillson, Irving #377  
Michael Cantrell, Creswell #496  
Val Richmond, Boulevard #389  
Caroline Pettit, Dorena #835  
Liz Dehne, Mohawk-McKenzie #747

### **Grange Programs and Activities**

Chairperson: Linda Pugh, Ada #570  
Vice Chairperson: Sandy Ludi, Sunnyside #842

Linda Wetzell, Creswell #496  
Linda Helm, Jackson Pomona #27  
Bud Dumolt, Beavercreek #276

### **Health and Welfare**

Chairperson: Pat Eck, Multnomah #71  
Vice Chairperson: Clare Jacobson, Umatilla Pomona #26

Heather Elliott, Ada #570  
Elvaree Fine, Hurricane Creek #608  
Alice Nowicki, London #937  
Roger Williamson, Macleay #293

### **Insurance**

Chairperson: Keith Colving, Terrebonne #663  
Vice Chairperson: Sarah Kingsborough, Sandlake #546

Mark Schnetzky, Tigard #148  
Loreen Huffman, Dorena #835  
Linda Dorland, Washington #313  
Carol Everman, Beaver Valley #306  
Maggie Swartzendruber, Riversdale 731

### **Legislation**

Chairperson: Vernon Herrick, Walterville #416  
Vice Chairperson: Don Kingsborough, Warner #117

Wayne Riley Tucker  
Carl McGlothin, Santa Clark #746  
Cecelia Goodnight  
Wanda Coleman, Russellville #353  
Cody Dunsmuir, Eagle Creek #297  
John DeHaas, Springwater #263

### **Natural Resources**

Chairperson: Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater #263  
Vice Chairperson: Anne Startin, Marion Pomona #4

Ed Thurston, McMinnville #31  
Sharon Schmidt, Phoenix #779  
Kristina LeFever, Bellview #759  
Terry Honn, Parkdale #500

### **Progress**

Chairperson: Marilyn Reiher, Winona #271  
Vice Chairperson: Jeanie Force, Sunnyside #842

Mikela Heimuller, Warren #536

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## Transportation

Chairperson: Cookie Trupp, Spencer Creek #855  
Vice Chairperson: Cindy Green, Sand Lake #546

Cole Wilson, White Eagle #683  
Misty Burris, Lorane #54  
Margie Belnap, Washington #313

Dick Wanker, Redland #796  
David Wallace, Fern Hill #592  
Julie Wheeler, Deer Island #947

## District #3 Host Committees

Co-Chair  
Co-Chair and Secretary  
Treasurer

Eva Frost  
Marilyn Reiher  
Doris Thurston

Decorations  
Facilities  
Fifth Degree Team  
Judges  
Lodging  
Meal Preparation

Sarah Kingsborough  
Eva Frost, Carol Everman  
Clackamas Pomona  
Eva Frost  
Marilyn Reiher  
Olney Grange  
Fern Hill Grange & 4-H  
Pacific Grange  
Quincy Grange

Meal Ticket Sales  
Publicity  
Resolution of Thanks  
Rosebud Drill Team  
RV and Tent Camping  
Salad Bar  
Signs  
Silent Auction  
Stations  
Transportation  
Welcome Bags

Doris Thurston  
Sam Keator  
Carol Everman  
Brenda Hogg, Angie Jenkins  
Jeff Van Natta, Kevin Shuh  
Carol Everman  
Jamie Carr  
Linda Dorland  
Sam Keator, John Knox  
Eva Frost  
Marcia Roberts

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## Titles of Submitted Resolutions

Number		Submitted/Adopted by
<b>Agriculture</b>		
AG #1	Exclude Seeds from Patenting	Williams #399
AG #2	In Favor of Improved Ground Squirrel Control	Hurricane Creek #608 North End #820
AG #3	Ending the Use of Dicamba in State of Oregon	Bellview #759 Rockford #501
AG #4	Protect Farm Workers from Pesticide Drift	Bellview #759 Rockford #501
AG #5	Regenerative Agricultural Standards	Bellview #759
AG #6	Support for Seed Savers	Bellview #759
<b>By-Laws</b>		
BL #1	Unrestricted Dues Allocation	Sandlake #564
BL #2	Amend OSG By-Laws References to Community Service Committee	Warren #536, Columbia Pomona #18
BL #3	Permit Alcohol Use in Grange Sponsored Events	Marys River #685
BL #4	Increase Minimum Cost for Lifetime Membership to \$1000	Marys River #685 Willamette #52
BL #5	Term Limits of Grange Officers	Winona #271
BL #6	Combining of Oregon State Session Committees	Mohawk-McKenzie #747
<b>Environment &amp; Ecology</b>		
EE #1	Require the Use of Biodegradable Plastics	Marys River #685
EE #2	Require the Use of Biodegradable Plastics	Willamette #52
EE #3	Environment & Ecology Section of OSG Legislative Policy Book	Clackamas Pomona #1
<b>Federal Affairs</b>		
FA #1	US Postage Stamp for 400 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Plymouth Colony	Springwater #263 Clackamas Pomona #1
FA #2	Reaffirm Prohibition of Gerrymandered Political Districts	Willamette #52
FA #3	Renegotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)	Multnomah #71
FA #4	Oppose Cuts to FCC Lifeline Program for Low Income Consumers	Mohawk-McKenzie #747
<b>Good of the Order</b>		
GO #1	Legislative Policy	Boring-Damascus #260 Clackamas Pomona #1
GO #2	Granger Youths to Young Adults	Junction City #744
GO #3	Pomona Grange Manuals	Clackamas Pomona #1
GO #4	Vote for Sunsetting Legislative Policies	Mohawk-McKenzie #747

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## Health and Welfare

HW #1 In Support of Universal Health Care  
HW #2 Out of Network Ambulance Charges  
HW #3 Mental Health Day

Multnomah #71  
Beavercreek #276  
Washington #313  
Washington-Yamhill  
Pomona #2

## Insurance

IN #1 Group Insurance Policy

Mohawk-McKenzie #747

## Legislative

LE #1 Mandatory Oregon State Licensing/ID for Service Animals  
LE #2 Enact Josephine County GMO Planting Ban  
LE #3 Expanded Bottle Bill  
  
LE #4 Change Solar Power in Oregon  
LE #5 Health & Welfare Section of OSG Legislative Policy Book  
LE #6 Financial Affairs Section of OSG Legislative Policy Book  
LE #7 Federal Affairs Section of OSG Legislative Policy Book  
LE #8 Liability Exemption for Small Sales by Non-Profits  
LE #9 Remove an Inconsistency in OSG Legislative Policy  
LE #10 Support Safe and Proper Storage of Firearms

Santiam Valley #828  
Williams #399  
Springwater #273  
Clackamas Pomona #1  
Fort Rock #758  
Clackamas Pomona #1  
Clackamas Pomona #1  
Clackamas Pomona #1  
Mohawk-McKenzie #747  
Mohawk-McKenzie #747  
Rockford #501

## Natural Resources

NR #1 Actively Support Healthy Pollinator Populations  
  
NR #2 Jordan Cove LNG Facility/Pacific Connector Pipeline

Bellview #759  
Rockford #501  
Bellview #759

## Transportation

TR #1 Highway Improvement  
  
TR #2 Keep Available Gasoline without Corrosive Additives  
TR #3 Transportation Section of OSG Legislative Policy Book:  
Motor Fuels & Taxes  
TR #4 Transportation Section of OSG Legislative Policy Book:  
Railroads  
TR #5 Oregon Fallen Fire Fighters Roadside Memorial Signs

Boring-Damascus #260  
Clackamas Pomona #1  
Waltersville #416  
  
Clackamas Pomona #1  
  
Clackamas Pomona #1  
Warren #536  
Columbia Pomona #18

## State Grange Convention Sites

1876	Albany	1932	Silverton	1975	Klamath Falls
1877-1890	Salem	1933	Pendleton	1976	The Dalles
1891	Hillsboro	1934	Roseburg	1977	Grants Pass
1892	Albany	1935	McMinnville	1978	Eugene
1893	The Dalles	1936	Lebanon	1979	Gresham
1894	Eugene	1937	The Dalles	1980	Woodburn
1895	Oregon City	1938	Klamath Falls	1981	North Bend
1896	McMinnville	1939	Corvallis	1982	Rainier
1897	Corvallis	1940	Salem	1983	Ashland
1898	Forest Grove	1941	Newport	1984	Newport
1899	Portland	1942	Milwaukie	1985	Canby
1900	Independence	1943	Eugene	1986	Albany
1901	Albany	1944	Grants Pass	1987	Hermiston
1902	Salem	1945	No convention (WWII)	1988	Roseburg
1903	Oregon City	1946	Baker	1989	Enterprise
1904	Corvallis	1947	Bend	1990	Ontario
1905	Forest Grove	1948	Astoria	1991	Eugene
1906	Albany	1949	Coos Bay	1992	North Bend
1907	Hood River	1950	Ontario	1993	Pilot Rock
1908	Eugene	1951	Portland	1994	McMinnville
1909	McMinnville	1952	La Grande	1995	Clatskanie
1910	Oregon City	1953	Medford	1996	Independence
1911	Corvallis	1954	Albany	1997	Sutherlin
1912	Roseburg	1955	Klamath Falls	1998	West Linn
1913	Albany	1956	Pendleton	1999	Redmond
1914	Monmouth	1957	Bend	2000	Grants Pass
1915	Tillamook	1958	Eugene	2001	Baker City
1916	Grants Pass	1959	Baker	2002	Eugene
1917	Astoria	1960	Roseburg	2003	Phoenix
1918	Salem	1961	Beaverton	2004	Joseph
1919	Hillsboro	1962	Grants Pass	2005	Reedsport
1920	Bend	1963	Oregon City	2006	Molalla
1921	Eugene	1964	Eugene	2007	Jefferson
1922	McMinnville	1965	Pendleton	2008	Prineville
1923	Newport	1966	Silverton	2009	Pendleton
1924	The Dalles	1967	North Bend	2010	Roseburg
1925	Dallas	1968	Gresham	2011	Corvallis
1926	Baker	1969	Ashland	2012	Seaside
1927	Corvallis	1970	Hood River	2013	Canby
1928	Rainier	1971	Roseburg	2014	Redmond
1929	Myrtle Point	1972	Beaverton	2015	Pendleton
1930	Redmond	1973	Grants Pass	2016	Talent
1931	Medford	1974	Oregon City	2017	Florence
				2018	Astoria

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## Oregon State Grange Masters

1873 - 1876	*	Daniel Clark
1876 - 1878	*	William Cyrus
1878 - 1880	*	A. R. Shipley
1880 - 1888	*	R. P. Boise
1888 - 1892	*	H. E. Hayes
1892 - 1894	*	R. P. Boise
1894 - 1896	*	Jacob Voorhees
1896 - 1900	*	William Hilleary
1900 - 1906	*	B. G. Leedy
1906 - 1910	*	Austin Buxton
1910 - 1923	*	C. E. Spence
1923 - 1930	*	G. A. Palmiter
1930 - 1932	*	C. C. Hulet
1932 - 1942	*	Ray Gill
1942 - 1950	*	Morton Thompkins
1950 - 1962	*	Elmer McClure
1962 - 1970	*	Allen Wheeler
1970 - 1974	*	Ted Sims
1974 - 1984	*	W. C. Harris
1984 - 1988	*	Morton Wolverton
1988 - 1992	*	Wayne Johnson
1992 - 1996	*	Dale Morris
1996 - 2000		Edward Luttrell
2000 - 2002		Mike Stewart
2002 - 2006		John Fine
2006 - 2010		Phyllis Wilson
2010 - 2011		Larry Rea
2012 - 2012		Mark Noah
2012 - present		Susan Noah

*\* Denotes Masters no longer living*



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## Exemplification of First Four Degrees, June 23

The **First Four Degrees** were exemplified by teams organized by Jim Dumolt.

### 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Team

Master	Ed Luttrell	Boring-Damascus #260, Clackamas County
Overseer	Jeff Dehne	Walterville #416, Lane County
Lecturer	Celia Luttrell	Boring-Damascus #260, Clackamas Co.
Steward	Jim Dumolt	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
AS	Malcolm Trupp	Spencer Creek #858, Lane County
LAS	Christy Dumolt	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Chaplain	Sue Dumolt	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Treasurer	Gary Bush	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Secretary	Liz Dehne	Walterville #416, Lane County
Gatekeeper	Don Kingsborough	Warner #117, Clackamas County
Ceres	Connie Suing	Crow #450, Lane County
Pomona	Cookie Trupp	Spencer Creek #858, Lane County
Flora	Jessie Jo Guttridge	Springwater #263, Clackamas County
Ex. Comm.	Jeanie Force	Sunnyside #842, Clackamas County
Ex. Comm.	Bev Bush	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Ex. Comm.	Annette Naylor	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County

### 3rd and 4th Degree Team

Master	Ed Luttrell	Boring-Damascus #260, Clackamas Co.
Overseer	Jim Clute	Forest Grove #282, Washington County
Lecturer	Celia Luttrell	Boring-Damascus #260, Clackamas Co.
Steward	Sam Keator	Winona #271, Washington County
AS	Jim Dumolt	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
LAS	Maggie Schwartzendruber	Riversdale #731, Douglas County
Chaplain	Sue Dumolt	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Treasurer	Gary Bush	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Secretary	Cora Lynn Congdon	Redland #796, Clackamas County
Gatekeeper	Don Kingsborough	Warner #117, Clackamas County
Ceres	Connie Suing	Crow #450, Lane County
Pomona	Christy Dumolt	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Flora	Jessie Jo Guttridge	Springwater #263, Clackamas County.
Ex. Comm.	Dick Wanker	Redland #796, Clackamas County
Ex. Comm.	Bev Bush	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Ex. Comm.	Annette Naylor	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
Musician	Bob Force	Sunnyside #842, Clackamas County
Vocalists	Jeanie Force	Sunnyside #842, Clackamas County
	Bev Bush	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
	Annette Naylor	Clarkes #261, Clackamas County

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## Harvest Marchers

Howard Huey	Abernathy #346, Clackamas County
Judy Huey	Abernathy #346, Clackamas County
Ed Thurston	McMinnville #31, Yamhill County
Doris Thurston	McMinnville #31, Yamhill County
Jeff Dehne	Walterville #416, Lane County
Liz Dehne	Walterville #416, Lane County

## Candidates

Jamie Carr, Fernhill #592	Estrella Rodriguez Urquijo, Beaver Valley #305
Trevor Carr, Fernhill #592	Kevin Schuh, Fernhill #592
Brandy Doughty, Redland #796	Tristan Schuh, Fernhill #592
Matt Dumolt, Redland #796	Loren White, Lorane #54
Tracy Flaigg-Fairless, Pacific #413	

## Daily Journal, Sunday June 24, 2018

The 145<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Oregon State Grange was opened in the sixth degree at 9am in due form by State Master Susan Noah. The meeting was lowered to the fourth degree and we received a warm welcome to the Clatsop County Fair & Expo from the Worthy Master.

Immediately after opening the State Grange on Sunday several guests were presented. Samantha Wilkins, Director of National Grange Junior Activities and Tom Gwin, Master of the Washington State Grange. Both offered a brief greeting and will be spending several days with us. Samantha is excited to learn more about our Junior Grange program and enjoy her first visit here in Oregon. Tom also expressed his appreciation for all of the support that Oregon provided when the Western Region hosted the National Grange Convention last November. He invited us to follow him to Mt. Vernon, Washington for their state convention later this week and our juniors to participate in one of the Washington State Junior Grange camps.

Senator Betsy Johnson was presented to the Master's station. Betsy is the State Senator of district 16 here in the NW corner of Oregon. She is a member of Warren Grange and last year was instrumental in supporting the OSG and other organizations with fighting the proposed property tax bill. Betsy shared her thoughts on the Grange and how she admires the values we have stood for in the last 150 years. She listed a number of our accomplishments over the years and cited a number of photos that are part of our exhibit at the Central Library in Portland. Our ability to bring families together to make a difference in our communities is critical in today's world. Betsy shared that what is most striking about the Grange is our nonpartisanship, "Political parties should not come first, communities should."

The Worthy Overseer, Celia Luttrell, responded to the Senator's speech. Celia commented that Betsy wishes there were more citizens like us Grangers, we wish there were more legislators like Betsy. Our last visit to Astoria was in 1948 and we are happy to be back. We appreciate the warm welcome we have received to this little slice of heaven.

Marilyn Reiher and Eva Frost, Co-chairs of the District #3 Host Committee were presented to the Master's station. Eva welcomed everyone to Astoria and is happy to see all the new faces this year. Be sure to stop her and get your welcome hug! Marilyn reviewed lodging and the

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welcome bags with information about the area. They both commended all of the members from District #3 and around the state for pitching in to make this week a success.

Roll Call of Officers found the following people absent: Agriculture Committee district #1 Jason Couch, Ag district #2 Randi Embree, Ag district #6 June Colony, Community Service Involvement Committee district #1 Darlene Anderson, Deaf Awareness district #1 Lynn Johnson, district #4 Sen Speroff, Education Committee district #2 Toni Hoyman, Junior Committee district #2 Iva May Van Noy, Junior Committee district #3 Tina Reynolds, Lecturer's Committee district #1 Carmel Valencia, Lecturer's Committee district #5 Vickie High, Legislative Committee district #1 Harold Johnson, Legislative Committee district #2 Martin McClure, Legislative Committee district #3 Orrin Schnetzky, Legislative Committee district #5 Dean High, Membership Committee district #1 Jill Hamm, Membership Committee district #6 Derrell Witty and Clarann Witty, Membership Committee member at large Cat Thomas, Veterans Committee district #1 Bill Waggoner, Veterans Committee district #4 Kim Schettig, Veterans Committee district #5 Richard McDonnell, Veteran's Committee member at large Richard Wyant, Youth Committee district #1 Erica Anderson, Youth district #2 Pat Heard, Youth district #5 Teresa Brott.

The Credentials Committee report was given by Chairperson Louise Holst. As of Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 we have registered 17 state officers, 2 state deputies, 13 state directors, 37 district chairman, 14 youth officers, 1 youth member, 10 junior officers, 1 junior member, 84 subordinate delegates, 19 Pomona delegates, 44 members, and 3 visitors/guests, for a total of 162 attendees representing 43 Subordinate Granges, 12 Pomonas.

Don Sether moved to adopt the program as presented in delegate packets. The motion was seconded and carried; the program was adopted.

Report of the Division of Labor Committee. 44 resolutions were submitted correctly to the State Grange office by the published deadline. The Executive Committee reviewed the resolutions and assigned them to various session committees.

Six resolutions with proposed By-Laws changes were read for the first time.

Late resolutions received after the published deadline were read. The resolution to Reaffirm Prohibition of Gerrymandered Political Districts is a duplicate of a resolution received prior to the deadline and is included. Don Sether moved to accept the second late resolution, Hayley's Law. It was seconded, and motion passed. The resolution titled Hayley's Law was assigned to the Legislation committee.

The chairmen of all the session committees were introduced to the delegate body.

The Budget Committee chair, Paula Herrick, spoke on the proposed budget for 2019. Don Sether moved that we bring the budget to the floor by Wednesday at noon. It was seconded, and the motion passed.

Door prizes were won by Cindy Green and Maxine Smith.

Celia Luttrell, Oregon State Grange Overseer, was Master pro tem for the remainder of Sunday's session. Susan Noah read a thoughtful and impactful State Master's Annual Address. The categories of her address were assigned to the following session committees: Introduction – Good of the Order, Agriculture - Agriculture, Water Resources – Environment & Ecology, Education - Education, Connectivity - Legislation, Citizenship - Legislation, Conclusion – Good of the Order.

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The State Master's Good of the Order Address was read by Susan Noah. She shared her report of the current status of the Oregon State Grange and made recommendations for ensuring our ongoing success long into the future. The entire address was assigned to the Good of the Order Committee.

The Worthy Overseer pro tem, Carol Everman, read announcements regarding activities for the week.

Door prizes were won by Theresa Thorud, Pat Eck, Margie Belnap.

The Grange closed at 12pm in the 4th degree by Celia Luttrell, Oregon State Grange Overseer.

Fraternally submitted,  
Sarah Kingsborough  
Oregon State Grange Secretary

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## Fifth Degree Exemplification

Sunday, July 24, 2018



### Fifth Degree Team

<b>Master</b>	Ed Luttrell, Boring-Damascus #260, Clackamas County
<b>Overseer</b>	Don McKinnon, Springwater #263, Clackamas County
<b>Lecturer</b>	Celia Luttrell, Boring-Damascus #260, Clackamas County
<b>Steward</b>	Don Kingsborough, Warner #117, Clackamas County
<b>Assistant Steward</b>	Dan Le Brun, Eagle Creek #297, Clackamas County
<b>Lady Assistant Steward</b>	Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater #263, Clackamas County
<b>Chaplain</b>	Sam Keator, Winona #271, Washington County
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jim Dumolt, Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
<b>Secretary</b>	Sandi Ludi, Sunnyside #842, Clackamas County
<b>Gatekeeper</b>	Bud Dumolt, Beaver creek #276, Clackamas County
<b>Ceres</b>	Leila Dumolt, Beaver creek #276, Clackamas County
<b>Pomona</b>	Jeanie Force, Sunnyside #842, Clackamas County
<b>Flora</b>	Annette Wanker, Redland #796, Clackamas County
<b>Executive Committee #1</b>	Annette Naylor, Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
<b>Executive Committee #2</b>	Don Sether, Molalla #310, Clackamas County
<b>Executive Committee #3</b>	Cody Dunsmuir, Eagle Creek #297, Clackamas County
<b>Musician</b>	Cora Lynn Congdon, Redland #796, Clackamas County
<b>Specter</b>	Bob Ludi, Sunnyside #842, Clackamas County
<b>Usher</b>	Dick Wanker, Redland #796, Clackamas County

#### Attendants:

<b>Ceres</b>	Judy Huey, Abernethy #346, Clackamas County Grace Hays, Abernethy #346, Clackamas County
<b>Pomona</b>	Ann Dickson, Clarkes #261, Clackamas County Shirley Naylor, Clarkes #261, Clackamas County
<b>Flora</b>	Linda Helm, Phoenix #779, Jackson County Connie Suing, Crow #450, Lane County

### Fifth Degree Candidates

Joanne Cantrall, Creswell #496	Patrick Dearth, Creswell #496
Cindy Green, Sandlake #546	Cecil Parsons, Creswell #496
Chris Hardy, Bellview #759	Derek Purdy, Crow #450
Judy Hays-Eberts, Marys River #685	Lauren White Lorane #54
Sonny Hays-Eberts, Marys River #685	
Teresa Palmer-Dearth, Creswell #496	

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## Sixth Degree Exemplification

Sunday, June 24, 2018



### Oregon State Grange Officers

Master, Susan Noah  
Overseer, Celia Luttrell  
Lecturer, Linda Helm  
Steward, Lexie Suing  
A.S., Phil Van Buren  
L.A.S., Louise Holst  
Chaplain, Peggy Fine  
Treasurer, Paula Herrick  
Secretary, Sarah Kingsborough  
Gatekeeper, Jim Clute  
Ceres, Liz Dehne  
Pomona, Mikela Heimuller  
Flora, Eva Frost  
Executive Comm. District 1, Jeff Dehne  
Executive Comm. District 2, Don Sether  
Executive Comm. District 3, Roger Wilson  
State Musician, Linda Wetzell

### Flora's Attendants:

Roberta O'Dell, Santiam Valley #828  
Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater #263

### Ceres' Attendants

Payton Miller, Lexington #726  
Briauna Herrick, Walterville #416

### Pomona's Attendants

Grace Hayes, Abernethy #346  
Maggie Swartzendruber, Riversdale #731

### Rosebud Drill Team

Belinda Sanchez, Hillsboro #73  
Jacki Sanchez, Hillsboro #73  
Aleshia York, Warren #536  
Angie Jenkins, Warren #536  
McKenna Jenkins, Warren #536

Ruby Pingel, Warren #536  
Payton Schindele, Warren #536  
Graceland Thompson, Warren #536  
McKenna McCausland, Warren #536

### Drill Choreographer:

Brenda Hogg, Warren #536, Columbia County

### Vocalists:

Julie Wheeler, Deer Island #947, Columbia County  
Sarah Kingsborough, Sandlake #546, Tillamook County

### Sixth Degree Candidates

Misty Burris, Lorane #54  
Sean Burris, Lorane #54  
Joanne Cantrall, Creswell #496  
Mike Cantrall, Lorane #54  
John DeHaas, Springwater #263  
Judy Hays-Eberts, Marys River #685  
Sonny Hays-Eberts, Marys River #685  
Loreen Huffman, Dorena #835  
Peggy Ivy, Washington #313

Inez Locken, South Fork #605  
Ray Massingham, Jasper #832  
Teresa Palmer-Dearth, Creswell #496  
Patrick Dearth, Creswell #496  
Cecil Parsons, Creswell #496  
Carolyn Pettit, Dorena #835  
Darlene Pearce, Fernhill #592  
Derek Purdy, Crow #450  
Lauren White, Lorane #54

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## Memorial Service

Monday June 25, 2018

The Memorial Drill Team consisted of:

Mikela Heimuller	Warren #536
Jim Clute	Forest Grove #282
Doris Thurston	McMinnville #31
Sam Keator	Winona #271
Marcia Roberts	Beaver Homes #518
Lyle Roberts	Beaver Homes #518
Roxanne Wallace	Fern Hill #592
Bruce Wallace	Fern Hill #592
Julie Wheeler	Deer Island #947

Oregon State Grange Officers assisting were:

Master	Susan Noah
Chaplain	Peggy Fine
Secretary	Sarah Kingsborough
Flora	Eva Frost

Decoration of Altar for Past State Officer and Director:

<b>Jeanne Trudeau</b>	Pomona	London #937
<b>Ray Andrieu</b>	Energy Director	Midland #781
<b>Marjorie Miller</b>	Deaf Awareness Director	Sandlake #546
<b>Lester Pugh</b>	Energy Director	Quincy #321
<b>Mary Knapp</b>	Membership	Rockwood #323

Decoration of Altar for Past State Delegates:

<b>Beulah Anderegg</b>	Redland #796
<b>Dorothy Archibald</b>	Beaver Valley #306
<b>Betty Bauers</b>	Boulevard #389
<b>Clarence McGarvey</b>	Fairfield #720
<b>Lucia Schuebel</b>	Molalla #310
<b>Wendall Austin</b>	Walterville #415
<b>Joyce Rhoades</b>	Sunnyridge #898
<b>Dale Riddle, Sr</b>	Crow #450
<b>Gladys Hague</b>	Lowell #745
<b>Howard Winkleman</b>	Bridge #730
<b>Judy Dark</b>	Fort Rock #758
<b>Dennis Smith</b>	member Riversdale #731, delegate Lookingglass #927
<b>Howard Browning</b>	Terrebonne #663
<b>Donna Simmons</b>	member Sandlake #546, delegate Pleasant Valley
<b>Sylvesta Tompson</b>	Terrebonne #663
<b>Margaret Thorpe</b>	Columbia #867

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## Daily Journal, Monday June 25, 2018

The second day of the 145<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Oregon State Grange was opened in the Fourth Degree at 10:30am in due form by State Master Susan Noah.

Guests presented to the Master's station were Charlene Espenshade, Youth Director of the National Grange and D. Thomas McKern, Chairman of the Board for Grange Insurance Association. Charlene offered greetings from the National Grange and our friends from the Great Plains Region where she just spent the weekend for their regional conference. Charlene and her husband Matt run a dairy farm in Pennsylvania and are active Grange members there. She is delighted to spend the remainder of the week with us and invited everyone to drive a few days east to visit her and fellow PA Grangers anytime. Brother Thomas is pleased to visit the Oregon State Grange again and explore this part of the state. He spoke about his work on the Board of Directors and recent trends they are seeing in the insurance industry. They are discovering that some natural resources such as water, timber, vegetation, and slope are becoming higher risk for insurance and may no longer be covered. Despite these concerns, their business is still growing. They are pleased to continue offering scholarships and support Granges with \$1 per member through 2019. Worthy Master Susan Noah is happy that our membership is growing, causing an increase in the financial contributions made by Grange Insurance Association.

Roll Call of Officers found the following people absent: Agriculture Committee district #1 Jason Couch, Ag district #2 Randi Embree, Community Service Involvement Committee district #1 Darlene Anderson, Community Service district #3 Cindy Becker, Community Service district #4 Cathy Assad, Deaf Awareness district #1 Lynn Johnson, Education Committee district #2 Toni Hoyman, Junior Committee district #2 Iva May Van Noy, Junior Committee district #3 Tina Reynolds, Lecturer's Committee district #1 Carmel Valencia, Lecturer's district #3 Theresa Thorud, Lecturer's district #5 Vickie High, Legislative Director Mark Noah, Legislative Committee district #1 Harold Johnson, Legislative district #2 Martin McClure, Legislative district #5 Dean High, Membership Committee district #1 Jill Hamm, Membership district #6 Derrell Witty and Clarann Witty, Membership member at large Cat Thomas, Veterans Committee district #1 Bill Waggoner, Veterans district #2 Mike Cantrall, Veterans district #3 Alan Becker, Veterans district #4 Kim Schettig, Veterans district #5 Richard McDonnell, Veteran's Committee member at large Richard Wyant, Youth Committee district #1 Erica Anderson, Youth district #2 Pat Heard, Youth district #3 Brenda Hoag, Youth district #4 Joyce Parker, Youth district #5 Teresa Brott.

Minutes from Sunday June 24<sup>th</sup> were read and approved as corrected.

John Lewis, Manager, and Ann McBride, Administrative Assistant, of the Clatsop County Fair & Expo were presented to the Master's station. Worthy Master Susan Noah expressed our appreciation for their generosity and flexibility with our session this week. John said thank you for all being here and they hope we enjoy our stay.

Election Committee Report was provided by Marilyn Reiher. The election board met on May 9<sup>th</sup> to tally election reports from Subordinate Granges. The following names will be placed on ballots for the election later this evening, along with a blank line for each office. Master - Susan Noah. Overseer - Jay Sexton. Lecturer - Cookie Trupp. Steward Phil Van Buren and Lexie Suing. Assistant Steward - Tim Dehne. Lady Assistant Steward - Maggie Swartzendruber. Chaplain was not counted due to an issue on the ballot, and therefore Peggy Fine and Dan Le Brun will both



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be placed on the ballot. Treasurer - Paula Herrick. Secretary - Sarah Kingsborough. Gatekeeper - James Clute. Ceres - Liz Dehne. Pomona - Mikela Heimuller. Flora - Eva Frost. Executive Committee #1 - John Fine. Executive Committee #2 - Sam Keator. Executive Committee #3 - Louise Holst and David McBride.

Health and Welfare #1 In Support of Universal Health Care. Committee action is favorable. Discussion occurred. By a standing vote of 28-62 the committee report was rejected and the resolution is lost.

Health and Welfare #2 Out of Network Ambulance Charges. Committee action is favorable. Jay Sexton moved to amend the resolved by striking "with the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services". The motion was seconded and passed. Sarah Kingsborough moved to amend the resolved by adding to the end "covering the region they service". The motion was seconded and passed. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Insurance #1 Group Insurance Policy. Committee action is unfavorable. Jay Sexton moved to substitute the resolution for the committee report. It was seconded and failed. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is lost.

Health and Welfare #3 Mental Health Day. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

The Worthy Overseer, Celia Luttrell, read announcements. Door prizes were won by Sara Wilson, Anne Startin, Liz Dehne.

Lunch recess from 12:30pm - 1:50pm.

Education section of the Master's Annual Address. Education committee action is favorable. Committee report is adopted, this section of the address is adopted.

Environment and Ecology #3 Environment & Ecology Section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book. Committee action is favorable. Committee report is adopted, resolution is adopted.

Environment and Ecology, Water Resources section of the Master's Annual Address. Committee action is favorable. Committee report is adopted, this section of the address is adopted.

Transportation #1 Highway Improvement. Committee action is favorable. Committee report is adopted, resolution is adopted.

Transportation #4 Transportation Section of OSG Legislative Policy: Railroads. Committee action is favorable. Edward Luttrell moved to divide the question. It was seconded and passed. Ed Luttrell moved to adopt lines 9 & 10 "The Oregon State Grange supports efforts by municipalities to operate abandoned rail lines for commerce." It was seconded and passed, this section was adopted and will remain in our legislative policy. Carol Everman moved to adopt lines 7 & 8 "The Oregon State Grange urges the legislature of the State of Oregon to withdraw all support of the Rails to Trails Act." The motion was seconded and discussed. Ed Luttrell moved to refer this section to the standing legislative committee for updated policy recommendations at the 2019 session. The motion was seconded and carried.

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Transportation #5 Oregon Fallen Fire Fighters Roadside Memorial Signs. Committee action is favorable as amended, striking "Warren Grange member Robert A. Hales and other" in the resolved. Committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

By Laws #1 Unrestricted Dues Allocation. Committee action is favorable. By a 2/3 majority the committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

By Laws #2 Amend OSG By-Laws References to Community Service Committee. Committee action is unfavorable. Eva Frost moved to substitute the resolution for the committee report. Motion was seconded and by a 40-35 standing vote the motion passed. Carol Everman moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded and lost. The resolution is lost.

By Laws #3 Permit Alcohol Use in Grange Sponsored Events. Committee action is unfavorable. After some discussion Lexie Suing moved for the previous question. The motion was seconded and passed by 2/3 majority. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is lost.

By Laws #4 Increase Minimum Cost for Lifetime Membership to \$1000. Committee action is unfavorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is lost.

Agriculture, the Agriculture section of the Master's Annual Address. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the section of the address is adopted.

Agriculture #1 Exclude Seeds from Patenting. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is rejected, the resolution is lost.

Agriculture #2 In Favor of Improved Ground Squirrel Control. Committee action is favorable. John Fine moved to substitute "OSU" for "USDA" on line 12. Motion was seconded and passed. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Agriculture #3 Ending the Use of Dicamba in State of Oregon. Committee action is favorable. After a healthy discussion Lexie Suing moved for the previous question. It was seconded and by a 2/3 majority, the motion passed. The committee report is adopted and the resolution is adopted.

Agriculture #6 Support for Seed Savers. Committee action is favorable as amended by inserting in the first whereas "It has been estimated that" at the beginning of line 1 before "The United States," and "up to" prior to 94% on the first line. John Fine moved to strike the last two resolved sections. The motion was seconded and passed. The committee report is adopted as amended and the resolution is adopted as amended.

Good of the Order, Introduction and Conclusion sections of the Master's Annual Address. The committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, these sections are adopted.

Good of the Order, Master's Good of the Order Address. The committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the address is adopted.

Good of the Order #2 Granger Youths to Young Adults. The committee action is unfavorable. Committee report is adopted, the resolution is lost.

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Good of the Order #3 Pomona Grange Manuals. The committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

The credentials committee report was provided by chairperson Louise Holst. As of Sunday, June 24, 2018 we have registered 17 state officers, 2 state deputies, 13 state directors, 40 district chairmen, 16 youth officers, 1 youth member, 12 junior officers, 1 junior member, 105 subordinate delegates, 19 Pomona delegates, 62 members, 4 visitors/guests, and 15 judges for a total of 217 attendees representing 63 Subordinate Granges, 12 Pomonas.

Worthy Overseer Celia Luttrell read the announcements. Door prize winners were Cecelia Goodnight, Mary Parrott, and Ann Rawlins.

The Grange closed at 4pm in the Fourth Degree by Eva Frost, District #3 Hosting Committee Co-Chair.

Fraternally submitted,  
Sarah Kingsborough  
Oregon State Grange Secretary

## **Daily Journal, Tuesday June 26, 2018**

The third day of the 145<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Oregon State Grange was opened in the Fourth Degree at 10:00am in due form by State Master Susan Noah. The State officers were wearing their red white and blue, including our iconic red tennis shoes, to show support to the Junior Grange and veterans.

Sister Nancy Murray, Attorney for the Oregon State Grange, was presented to the Master's station. Nancy has been our attorney and a member of Tigard Grange for approximately six years. She enjoys spending time with us at our convention and learning about activities at Granges throughout the state. Nancy highlighted a few of the legal issues she consulted on in the last year including trespassing, real estate sales, and other property management concerns. Nancy appreciates that the Grange offers good will and charity with our neighbors and communities and continuing this will help us keep common ground while managing legal issues.

The Oregon State Junior Grange officers conferred the Junior Degree and initiated all members present. They presented guests Susan Noah, Master of the Oregon State Grange and Pomona of the National Grange, Charlene Espenshade Youth Director of the National Grange, and Samantha Wilkins Junior Director of the National Grange. Susan commended the Junior Grange officers on their work this week and their impressive conferral of the degree. Charlene shared sound advice from her experience of learning ritual in her youth, practice the ritual with your cows, dogs, parents, or anyone who will listen. Samantha offered her congratulations and was delighted to observe the degree today. Elizabeth Williams, Oregon State Grange Junior Co-Director expressed her appreciation for her committee and all the support from the membership in their last 2 years as directors.

Roll Call of Officers found the following people absent: Agriculture Committee district #1 Jason Couch, Agriculture district #2 Randi Embree, Community Service Involvement Committee

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district #1 Darlene Anderson, Community Service Involvement district #3 Cindy Becker, Community Service Involvement district #4 Cathy Assad, Deaf Awareness and Family Health district #1 Lynn Johnson, Education Committee district #2 Toni Hoyman, Junior Committee district #2 Iva May Van Noy, Lecturer's Committee district #1 Carmel Valencia, Lecturer's district #5 Vickie High, Legislative Committee district #1 Harold Johnson, Legislative district #2 Martin McClure, Legislative district #5 Dean High, Membership Committee district #1 Jill Hamm, Membership district #6 Derrell Witty and Clarann Witty, Membership member at large Cat Thomas, Veterans Committee district #1 Bill Waggoner, Veterans district #3 Alan Becker, Veterans district #4 Kim Schettig, Veterans district #5 Richard McDonnell, Veteran's Committee member at large Richard Wyant, Youth Committee district #1 Erica Anderson, Youth district #2 Pat Heard, Youth district #3 Brenda Hoag, Youth district #4 Joyce Parker, Youth district #5 Teresa Brott.

Minutes from Monday June 25<sup>th</sup> were read and approved as corrected.

Announcements were read by Worthy Overseer, Celia Luttrell. Door prizes were won by Peggy Ivy, Phyllis Wilson, John Fine.

Lunch recess from 12:07pm – 1:35pm included the GWA luncheon.

Jesse O'Dell provided the results of the OSG officer elections. Master – Susan Noah is elected with 96 votes, Overseer – Jay Sexton is elected with 99 votes, Lecturer – Cookie Trupp is elected with 105 votes, Steward – Phil Van Buren is elected with 71 votes Lexie Suing received 37 votes, Assistant Steward – Tim Dehne is elected with 103 votes, Lady Assistant Steward – Maggie Schwartendruher is elected with 105 votes, Chaplain – Peggy Fine is elected with 63 votes Dan Le Brun received 46 votes, Treasurer – Paula Herrick is elected with 108 votes, Secretary – Sarah Kingsborough is elected with 106 votes, Gatekeeper – James Clute is elected with 100 votes, Ceres – Liz Dehne is elected with 99 votes, Pomona Mikela Heimuller is elected with 106 votes, Flora – Eva Frost is elected with 106 votes, Executive Committee #1 – John Fine is elected with 77 votes Jeff Dehne received 30 votes, Executive Committee #2 – Sam Keator is elected with 103 votes, Executive Committee #3 – Louise Holst is elected with 66 votes David McBride received 44 votes.

Environment and Ecology #2 Require the Use of Biodegradable Plastics, substitutes for EE#1. Committee action is favorable as amended, in the title change the word "plastics" to "products". The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Legislation, Connectivity section of the Master's Annual Address. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, this section of the address is adopted.

Legislation, Citizenship section of the Master's Annual Address. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, this section of the address is adopted.

Legislation #2 Enact Josephine County GMO Planting Ban. Committee action is unfavorable. A healthy discussion occurred. Aurora Del Val moved to substitute the resolution for the committee report. The motion was seconded and carried. Jeff Dehne moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded. Jay Sexton moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word Legislature "to change laws". The amendment was seconded and passed. The resolution is adopted as amended.

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Legislation #1 Mandatory Oregon State Licensing / ID for Service Animals. Committee action is favorable as amended, strike the last whereas on lines 46-52. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Federal Affairs #1 US Postage Stamp for 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Plymouth Colony. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Jim Clute, Director of the Veterans Committee, kicked off our annual tribute to veterans. He explained the blue star banner that many display in their homes or Granges in honor of active service members. Alan Becker explained the symbolism of the missing man table for MIA and POW servicemen and women which has been staged in the dining area this week. As theme songs for each military branch were played, Junior Grange members handed out stickers to veterans in the hall.

Federal Affairs #4 Oppose Cuts to FCC Lifeline Program for Low Income Consumers. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Transportation #3 Transportation Section of OSG Legislative Policy: Motor Fuels and Taxes, substitute for TR#2. Committee action is favorable as amended, a full rewrite of the resolution was distributed. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Federal Affairs #2 Reaffirm Prohibition of Gerrymandered Political Districts. Committee action is favorable as amended, a full rewrite of the resolution was distributed. Ed Luttrell moved to amend the first resolved by inserting "keeping communities together" after the word boundaries on line 20. The amendment was seconded and passed by a standing vote with 48 in favor and 21 against. Peggy Fine moved to put a period after National Grange on line 24 and strike the remaining words. The amendment was seconded and carried. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Education #1 Length of School Year. This new resolution was distributed. Committee action is favorable. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted.

Sarah Kingsborough moved to alter the program by closing the Grange session at 5pm today and cancel our evening session. The motion was seconded and discussion regarding the schedule followed. The motion failed.

Agriculture #4 Protect Farm Workers from Pesticide Drift. Committee action is favorable. Wayne Cabler moved to amend both resolved by substituting the word "minimum" in place of "300ft" in both resolves. The amendment was seconded and failed. Sonny Hays-Eberts moved to amend by striking "100ft" and insert "minimum" after 300ft in both resolves. The amendment was seconded and passed. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Federal Affairs #3 Renegotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Committee action is favorable as amended, a full rewrite of the resolution was distributed. Ed Luttrell moved to strike the last 2 bullet points on lines 59- 62. The amendment was seconded and carried. Bill Dodds moved to amend by striking "and other dumping measures" on line 58.

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The amendment was seconded and carried. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Natural Resources #1 Actively Support Healthy Pollinator Populations. Committee report is favorable as amended, a full rewrite was distributed. Edward Luttrell moved to amend line 40 by striking "actively" and replace "legislation" with "peer reviewed science". The amendment was seconded and discussed. Mark Schnetzky moved to amend the amendment by leaving the words actively and legislation, and then adding "by peer reviewed science" so the final resolved will read "OSG will actively support legislation supported by peer reviewed science that protects pollinators and creates safe pollinator habitat". The amendment to the amendment was seconded and passed. The first amendment passed. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Natural Resources #2 Jordan Cove LNG Facility / Pacific Connector Pipeline. The committee report is favorable as amended, a full rewrite was distributed. Riley Tucker moved to amend line 20 by replacing "permitting and" with "acquisition of private property by eminent domain for" before the word construction. The amendment was seconded and discussed. Judy Hays-Eberts moved to amend the amendment to reinsert "permitting and". The amendment to the amendment was seconded and passed. The amendment passed. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

The Worthy Overseer, Celia Luttrell, read the announcements. Door prizes were won by Judy Huey, Dolly Warden, Breanna Hays-McKay.

Dinner recess from 4:40pm – 7:10pm

Legislation #9 Remove an Inconsistency in OSG Legislative Policy. The committee report is unfavorable. Lyle Utt moved to substitute the resolution for the committee report. Seconded and carried. Celia Luttrell moved to adopt the resolution. Marilyn Reiher moved to amend by adding "The Oregon State Grange is against all taxes based on sales of products or services." The amendment was seconded. By a standing vote the motion to amend failed with 28 in favor and 34 opposed. Motion carries, the resolution is adopted.

Legislation #8 Liability Exemption for Small Sales by Non-Profits. The committee report is favorable. A healthy discussion occurred. Jay Sexton moved to amend by substituting after shall on line 26 "support policies to facilitate low value community markets" before sponsored on line 28 in place of "develop a policy to exempt from liability the participants in neighborhood bazaars, craft sales, flea markets and other similar events". Ed Luttrell moved to refer back to the Legislation session committee. The motion was seconded and passed to send back to the committee.

Legislation #7 Federal Affairs Section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book on immigration. The committee report is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Legislation #6 Financial Affairs Section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book on taxes. The committee report is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Legislation #5 Health & Welfare Section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book on crime. The committee report is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

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Sarah Kingsborough made a motion to change the official program to adjust the schedule for Wednesday. The motion was seconded. Sonny Hays-Eberts moved to amend to change the schedule only for installation of officers on Wednesday at 1:30 and no other changes be made to the schedule. It was seconded and discussed. The amendment failed. Don Kingsborough moved to postpone indefinitely. The motion was seconded and carried.

Louise Holst moved to change installation of officers to Thursday at 10am. The motion carried by a 2/3 vote.

The credentials report was provided by chairperson Louise Holst. Through Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> we have registered 17 state officers, 2 state deputies, 13 state directors, 40 district chairmen, 16 youth officers, 1 youth member, 12 junior officers, 1 junior member, 103 subordinate delegates, 22 Pomona delegates, 72 members, 8 visitors/guests, 15 judges, for a total of 234 attendees from 64 Subordinate granges and 13 Pomonas.

Announcements were read by the Worthy Overseer. Door prizes were won by Roger Williamson, Leila Dumolt, and Louise Holst.

The Grange closed at 9:00pm in the Fourth Degree by Marilyn Reiher, District #3 Hosting Co-Chair.

Fraternally submitted,  
Sarah Kingsborough  
Oregon State Grange Secretary

## **Daily Journal, Wednesday June 27, 2018**

The fourth day of the 145<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Oregon State Grange was opened in the Fourth Degree at 9:00am in due form by Youth Master Cole Wilson and the Youth Officer Team.

Guests presented included National Pomona and Oregon State Grange Master Susan Noah, Mark Noah first gentleman and Youth Director Connie Suing, Charlene Espenshade Youth Director of the National Grange, Samantha Wilkins Junior Director of the National Grange, and Riley Reynolds 2018 Junior Ambassador of the National Grange.

Roll Call of Officers found the following absent: Agriculture Committee district #1 Jason Couch, Agriculture district #2 Randi Embree, Community Service Involvement Committee district #1 Darlene Anderson, Community Service Involvement district #3 Cindy Becker, Community Service Involvement district #4 Cathy Assad, Deaf Awareness and Family Health district #1 Lynn Johnson, Deaf awareness district #4 Sen Speroff, Education Committee district #2 Toni Hoyman, Education district #3 Marcia Roberts, Education district #4 Paul Pat Eck, GWA Committee Director Margaret Clute, GWA District #3 Julie Schnetzky, Junior Committee Co Director Kegan Williams, Junior Committee district #2 Iva May Van Noy, Lecturer's Committee district #1 Carmel Valencia, Lecturer's district #4 Dan Le Brun, Lecturer's district #5 Vickie High, Legislative Committee district #1 Harold Johnson, Legislative district #2 Martin McClure, Legislative district #3 Orrin Schnetzky, Legislative district #5 Dean High, Membership

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Committee Co-Director Bob Ludi, Membership district #1 Jill Hamm, Membership district #6 Derrell Witty and Clarann Witty, Membership member at large Cat Thomas, Veterans Committee district #1 Bill Waggoner, Veterans district #3 Alan Becker, Veterans district #4 Kim Schettig, Veterans district #5 Richard McDonnell, Veteran's Committee member at large Richard Wyant, Youth Committee district #1 Erica Anderson, Youth district #2 Pat Heard, Youth district #5 Teresa Brott.

Connie gave her annual report as the Youth Director highlighting the activities of the Youth and Young Adult program throughout the year. Members can stay up to date on youth activities through the Grange Bulletin, Facebook, or connecting with any members of the youth committee. Connie expressed appreciation for the donations received throughout the year and how the support of all members allow youth to shine in our organization. Some of the activities at this year's state convention include donations and service projects contributing to the communities here in District 3.

Susan commended the youth on their opening of the State Grange session today. She mentioned that she sees these youth participating in their own local Grange meetings throughout the year and are true leaders in their communities. Riley is looking forward to his promotion into the youth department next year. Mark said thank you for the honor and making him feel old. Charlene expressed her appreciation for inviting her to her first state convention on the west coast and got her toes in the Pacific Ocean. She encourages all members to subscribe to the *Good Day!* magazine from the National Grange. Samantha congratulated the youth on their opening and shared part of her history as a lifelong Grange member. It is great to see our dedication to communities and passion around debating issues. Remember to stay connected through communications and with each other. She invited us to next year's Grange Camp Revival in the Ozarks in July. Samantha is very proud of our National Junior Grange Ambassador Riley Reynolds and has enjoyed working with him in the last year. This is the 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Junior Grange and Samantha invites us all to join the celebration at the National Convention in Stowe Vermont this November.

Minutes from Tuesday June 26<sup>th</sup> were read and approved as corrected.

Annual reports were provided by Jay Sexton Agriculture Committee Director, Jeff Dehne Executive Committee #1, Linda Helm Lecturer, Don Sether Executive Committee #2, Lexie Suing Steward, Lyle Utt Education Director, Celia Luttrell Overseer, Paula Herrick Treasurer, Mark Noah Communications Committee, Sandi Ludi Membership Director, Mark Noah Legislative Director, Eva Frost Flora, Carol Everman State Deputy.

We were greeted by brother John DeHaas, our Oregon State Grange Lobbyist. John is a member at Springwater Grange and has a history of political involvement in his community. He is delighted to start working with the Grange and enjoyed spending the week at our convention to get to know our membership and our process for setting policy.

Malcolm Trupp provided a report of the annual Oregon State Grange Foundation meeting from Monday. A new board of directors was elected: Member at large Alice Nowicki, Member at large Richard Wanker, Treasurer Carmel Valencia, Secretary Joyce Parker, Vice President Maggie Payton, and President Malcolm Trupp.



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The 2019 budget was brought to the floor, per a motion earlier in the week. Master Susan Noah provided an overview of the financial reports provided in the delegate packet. Peggy Fine moved to adopt the current budget as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

The Worthy Overseer Celia Luttrell read announcements. Door Prizes were won by Cookie Trupp, Shirley Naylor, and Eva Frost.

Lunch recess 12:00pm – 1:45pm

Officer Reports were received by Phil Van Buren and Louise Holst Assistant Steward and Lady Assistant Steward, Mikela Heimuller Pomona, Sarah Kingsborough Secretary, Peggy Fine Chaplain, Peggy Jillson Deaf Awareness Family Health Director.

The credentials report was provided. Through Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> we have registered 17 state officers, 2 state deputies, 13 state directors, 40 district chairmen, 17 youth officers, 2 youth members, 14 junior officers, 1 junior member, 105 subordinate delegates, 22 pomona delegates, 80 members, 10 visitors / guests, 15 judges for a total of 249 attendees from 65 Subordinate Granges and 13 Pomonas.

The Grange was put at ease for the recognition of past State Officers and Directors. We appreciate all of the time, energy, and devotion these individuals have contributed to the Oregon State Grange. Gail Wilson - Chaplain, Scot Jacobson – Gatekeeper, Junior Director, and Youth Director, Claire Jacobson - Youth Director, Linda Dorland - Pomona, Mary Parrott - GWA, Phyllis Wilson - Overseer Master, Secretary, and National Chaplain, Jeanie Force – Lecturer and Youth Director, Malcolm Trupp – AS, Exec Committee, and Membership Co-Director, Cookie Trupp LAS, Flora, and Membership Co-Director, Keith Colvin AS, Myrna Colvin LAS and Lecturer, Alice Nowicki Secretary, John Fine AS, Overseer, Master, Exec Committee, Ag Director, Education Director, and National Board of Directors , Doris Reed GWA, Maxine Smith GWA, Joyce Parker Treasurer, John Knox Ag Director and State Deputy, Sue Dumolt Youth Director Youth and Editor of Bulletin, Jim Dumolt Youth Director, Shirley Naylor Ceres, Ken Naylor Exec Committee, Brenda Hoag Junior Director, Edward Luttrell Gatekeeper, Master, Youth Director National Membership, and National Master.

Eva Frost, Director of the Community Service Involvement Committee announced winners of the yearbook contest. 1<sup>st</sup> place is Dorena Grange. 2<sup>nd</sup> place Spencer Creek Grange 3<sup>rd</sup> place London Grange. 4<sup>th</sup> place Lorane Grange.

Legislation #11 Hayley's Law. The committee report is favorable as amended on this late resolution. Lexie Suing moved to refer resolution back to the Grange. It was seconded and failed. Roger Williamson moved to amend line 24 to replace "cited or arrested" with "convicted". The amendment was seconded and passed. Peggy Jillson moved to amend line 23 that "the OSG supports investigation and prosecution of the person for additional charges relating to child welfare". The amendment was seconded. Jay moved to amend the amendment by adding after supports "Department of Human Services". The amendment was seconded and passed. The original amendment, as amended, has passed. Jim Dumolt moved to amend on line 23 the word "their" changed to "a". The amendment was seconded and carried. Sam Keator moved to amend on line 23 by changing after the word adult insert "while during visitation or while in" before custody. Seconded. Liz Dehne moved to send this resolution back to the committee. It was seconded and a division of the house was called for

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and failed 28 in favor 49 opposed. The amendment failed. Wayne Cabler moved to indefinitely postpone. It was seconded and lost. Lexie Suing moved to amend after person "suspected of such for additional charges relating to child welfare and put into custody of a responsible legal guardian". The amendment was seconded and failed. Ken Naylor moved the previous question, it was seconded and carried to end debate. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Wayne Cabler provided his retiring assistant Lecturer report regarding toting the totes.

Good of the Order #1 Legislative Policy. The committee report is favorable. David McBride moved to amend the resolution by replacing the resolved with "that any legislative policy over 10 years old that has not been reapproved will be brought before the delegate session for action to either remove or restore." The amendment was seconded and passed. The committee report is adopted as amended, the resolution is adopted as amended.

Good of the Order #5 is By Laws #5 Term Limits of Grange Officers. The committee report is unfavorable. Riley Tucker moved the previous question, it was seconded and passed. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is lost.

Legislation #3 Expanded Bottle Bill. The committee report is favorable as amended, a rewrite was distributed. Jay Sexton moved to amend by striking the words "personal size". The amendment was seconded and failed. Division of the House was called for and found 19 in favor, opposed 29. Dan Gregg moved to amend by changing "personal size" to "all size". The amendment was seconded and failed. The committee report is adopted as amended and the resolution is adopted as amended.

Door prizes were won by Gail Wilson, Sen Speroff, and Terry Honn.

Dinner Recess from 5pm-7pm

The membership committee led a demonstration of the Welcoming Ceremony and Draping the Charter

The annual auction took place at 7pm with the closing of the silent auction items and the oral auction. \$3652.00 were raised to support various committees and programs of the Oregon State Grange.

The Worthy Overseer Celia Luttrell read announcements. Door prizes were won by Sue Sether, Linda Pugh, Sandi Ludi.

The Grange closed at 9:30pm in the Fourth Degree by Jessie Jo Guttridge 2018 Horizon Leadership Winner.

Fraternally submitted,  
Sarah Kingsborough  
Oregon State Grange Secretary

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## Daily Journal, Thursday June 28, 2018

The fifth day of the 145<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Oregon State Grange was opened in the Fourth Degree at 9:00am in due form by Master Susan Noah.

Connie Suing, Youth Committee Director, provided a report on the Keeping Oregon Warm donation campaign. The youth received donations from over 30 Granges including: 472 hats, 316 pairs of gloves, 176 scarves, 12 miscellaneous items, and 85 pairs of socks. This is a total of 1061 items which will be donated to those in need here in District 3.

Elizabeth Williams and the Junior Grangers displayed their posters that they created about bees and pollinating. Learning about pollinators, and then presenting the information, was part of a merit badge project they worked on during this year's session. We have some very talented artists and agriculturists growing up in our Junior Grange.

Roll Call of Officers found the following absent: Executive Committee #3 Roger Wilson with Jay Sexton pro tem. Agriculture Committee district #1 Jason Couch, Agriculture district #2 Randi Embree, Community Service Involvement Committee district #1 Darlene Anderson, Community Service Involvement district #3 Cindy Becker, Community Service Involvement district #4 Cathy Assad, Deaf Awareness and Family Health district #1 Lynn Johnson, Education Committee district #2 Toni Hoyman, Education district #4 Paul Pat Eck, GWA Committee District #3 Julie Schnetzky, Junior Committee Co-Director Kegan Williams, Junior Committee district #2 Iva May Van Noy, Lecturer's Committee district #1 Carmel Valencia, Lecturer's district #2 Roberta O'dell, Lecturer's district #3 Theresa Thorud, Lecturer's district #4 Dan Le Brun, Lecturer's district #5 Vickie High, Legislative Committee district #1 Harold Johnson, Legislative district #2 Martin McClure, Legislative district #3 Orrin Schnetzky, Legislative district #5 Dean High, Legislative lobbyist John DeHaas, Membership Committee Co-Director Bob Ludi, Membership district #1 Jill Hamm, Membership district #6 Derrell Witty and Clarann Witty, Membership member at large Cat Thomas, Veterans Committee district #1 Bill Waggoner, Veterans district #3 Alan Becker, Veterans district #4 Kim Schettig, Veterans district #5 Richard McDonnell, Veterans district #6 Roger Wilson, Veteran's Committee member at large Richard Wyant, Youth Committee district #1 Erica Anderson, Youth district #2 Pat Heard, Youth district #3 Brenda Hoag, Youth district #5 Teresa Brott.

Minutes from Wednesday June 27<sup>th</sup> were read and approved as corrected.

By Laws #6 Combining of Oregon State Session Committees. The committee report is favorable. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Legislation #10 Support Safe and Proper Storage of Firearms. The committee report is favorable as amended, striking from the final resolved after the word firearm. Don Kingsborough moved to strike the second resolved. It was seconded. John Fine moved for the previous question on all pending business. The motion was seconded and passed. The amendment passed. The committee report is lost, the resolution is lost. A Division of house was called for finding 28 in favor, 54 opposed.

The Grange was put at recess to prepare for Installation of Officers for the 2018-2020 term. Jim Dumolt and his team from Clarkes Grange and Sunnyside Grange did an impressive job with the ceremony.

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Linda Helm, Jeff Dehne, Don Sether, Lexie Suing, and Celia Luttrell were presented to the Master's station and thanked for their years of service as officers of the Oregon State Grange.

District #3 representatives were presented to the front of the hall and thanked for their hosting of this year's convention. Co-Chairs Eva Frost and Marilyn Reiher greeted the membership and expressed their appreciation for all the volunteers who pitched in to make this year's convention a success.

Legislation #4 Placement of Solar Power Installations with Oregon. The committee report is favorable as amended, a rewrite was provided. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Good of the Order #4 Vote for Sunsetting Legislative Policies. The committee report is favorable. John Fine moved to postpone this matter indefinitely. It was seconded and passed. The resolution is lost.

Agriculture #5 Regenerative Agricultural Standards. The committee report is favorable as amended. A rewrite was distributed. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Agriculture #7 Opposing Re-Introduction of Grizzly Bears. This is a new resolution from the committee that was distributed, and it has a favorable recommendation. The committee report is adopted, the resolution is adopted.

Jay Sexton, Worthy Overseer, read the announcements.

Lunch recess 12:00pm – 1:15pm

Master Susan Noah introduced several of the directors she has appointed for the next 2- year term: Agriculture Director June Colony, Education Director Paula Herrick, GWA Director Margaret Clute, Junior Director Peggy Jillson, Legislative Director Mark Noah, Membership Director David McBride, Veterans Director Jim Clute, Youth Director Connie Suing.

Legislation #8 Liability Exemption for Small Sales by Non-Profits. Committee report is favorable as amended. Committee report is adopted, Resolution is adopted.

Sarah Kingsborough moved to permit the Executive Committee to approve Thursday's journal. Motion seconded and carried.

Sarah Kingsborough moved to allow new policies set in this convention of the Oregon State Grange to be shared publicly with the exception of Good of the Order and By-Laws. Motion seconded and carried.

Members from District #4 marched around the hall and officially invited us to join them next year for the 146<sup>th</sup> annual OSG convention at Molalla High School in Molalla, Oregon June 22-27.

Susan Noah expressed her appreciation to sister Marilyn Reiher, our retiring webmaster and volunteer office support person, for all of her work in recent years.

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Resolution of Thanks was read and adopted.

Door prizes were won by Jesse Jo Guttridge, Phil Van Buren, Linda Helm.

The 145<sup>th</sup> Oregon State Grange Convention closed at 2:00 PM in the Fourth Degree by Master Susan Noah.

Fraternally submitted,  
Sarah Kingsborough  
Oregon State Grange Secretary

## Silent Auction Winners

Item	Benefits	Winner	Amount
Child surprise toy box	Lecturer	Aislin McClain	\$30
Beaver stadium seats	Lecturer	Annette Naylor	\$55
4 <sup>th</sup> of July basket	Membership	Annette Naylor	\$50
Home Sweet Home basket	DAFH	Bruce Wallace	\$15
Newlyweds foods from Eastern Oregon	Legislative	Carol Everman	\$25
Coffee basket	Lecturer	Cathy Johnston	\$30
Mason jars & taffy	Legislative	Celia Luttrell	\$10
A drink from district #4	District 4	Charlene Espenshade	\$40
Angel earrings gold	GWA	Cindy Becker	\$5
Red, white & blue bandana	Juniors	Cindy Becker	\$35.50
Patriotic tote bag beach items	Membership	Cindy Becker	\$32
Angel earrings blue	Youth	Cindy Becker	\$5
Trellis with clematis	District #5	Cookie Trupp	\$55
Baby quilt and red shoe planter	Juniors	Cookie Trupp	\$20
Red lace shirt	Foundation	Darlene McDonnell	\$5
Green eagle vest	Foundation	Darlene McDonnell	\$5
Tie-dye shirt family pack	Juniors	Darlene McDonnell	\$30
Ed Luttrell book Farm Grown	Youth	Don Sether	\$35
Reading by candlelight	District #3	Gail Wilson	\$51
Popcorn machine	District #3	Grace Hays	\$50
Oregon T-shirt, book, taffy	Legislative	Heather Elliott	\$30
Oregon Ducks football tickets	Foundation	Jeanie Force	\$130
Handmade step stool	GWA	Joanne McBride	\$50
Wooden book holder by Frank Kula	OSG	John Fine	\$30
Tillamook County tote	GWA	Joyce Parker	\$75
Tent and two sleeping bags	Legislative	June Colony	\$60
Pink stripe bag set	Communications	Linda Pugh	\$20
Tie-dye T-shirt family pack	Juniors	Linda Pugh	\$30
Apple crisp baking set	Community Service	Linda Wetzel	\$15
Hummingbird feeder	Agriculture	Marilyn Reiher	\$30
Hand painted lady bug rocks	Agriculture	Marilyn Reiher	\$25
Watering wand	Agriculture	Marilyn Reiher	\$30
Game box and popcorn	District #4	Marilyn Reiher	\$45
Heritage collectable dolls	Youth	Mary Parrott	\$20
"A toast to you" basket	Lecturer	Peggy Fine	\$50
Tea set	Membership	Peggy Fine	\$50
Junior orange shirts & red shoe planter	Juniors	Peggy Jillson	\$15
Wine basket	Legislative	Phil Van Buren	\$40
Blue print bag set	GROW Club	Phyllis Wilson	\$35
Dish set	GWA	Roger Williamson	\$15
Garden hod, lavender, napkins	GWA	Sandi Ludi	\$35
OSU beaver football tickets	Foundation	Sarah Kingsborough	\$75

Green spring quilt	Legislative	Sue Sether	\$35
Red casserole bake and carry set	Membership	Sue Sether	\$37
Garden tool	Agriculture	Mark Noah	\$45
Boma silver leaf earrings	Agriculture	Susan Noah	\$30
Flower garden kit trowel gloves	Agriculture	Susan Noah	\$20
Outdoor picnic set, blanket, dishes	GWA	Susan Noah	\$45
Ducks 2 bottle cooler	Lecturer	Susan Noah	\$45
Junior green T-shirts & shoe planter	Juniors	Tim Dehne	\$20
Brown log cabin quilt	Legislative	Wayne Cabler	\$62
Avalanche deer sweatshirt	Foundation	Wayne Marshall	\$50

## Oral Auction Winners

Auctioneer John Fine and his team of spotters got these winning bids in the oral auction.

Item	Benefits	Winner	Amount
Red love seat	Lecturer	Annette Naylor	\$55
Harvest dinner for six	Legislative	Annette Naylor	\$310
GROW Club BBQ	Grow Club	Carl McGlothlin	\$180
Brown quilt National quilts blocks	GWA	Linda Helm	\$150
Rooster painting	Juniors	Liz Dehne	\$95
Harvest dinner for six	Lecturer	Louise Holst	\$310
Handmade tractor planter	Membership	Phil Van Buren	\$110
Quilt: blue & white queen size	Legislative	Sam Keator	\$110
Pendleton wool throw	Agriculture	Samantha Wilkins	\$110
Summer sausage	Youth	Scot Jacobson	\$210
Herrick Farms food basket	District #5	Sen Speroff	\$100

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## Master's Annual Address

Susan M Noah  
State Master

### Introduction

2018 marks only the third time we have held our annual meeting in the beautiful city of Astoria. In 1917 when we met here for the first time. State Master C.E. Spence touched on a variety of topics that year including our Nation's entry into the first world war. We met here again in 1948, shortly after the second world war and in both cases the Master's Address went on to remind our members of the duty they have to carry out the policies being set, regardless of whether those policies are popular or not. He advised the Grange to be cautious in the determinations of the public policies of the Grange and when you favor any measure be prepared to support your representatives in their efforts to carry out our instructions. As we meet here in 2018, I urge you to keep these thoughts in mind as we start our week of deliberations and to take seriously the job you have of establishing current policies for the Oregon State Grange.

### Agriculture

The region we are in this year is the home to an abundance of agricultural products. The area offers salmon, shrimp, Dungeness crab and more. And, we cannot forget dairy with the high-quality milk and world-renowned cheeses, and of course ice cream! But even with an abundance of agricultural products, this area is familiar with the food security issue. Following the 2007 storm Clatsop County was completely cut off from the more populated areas west of the coast range, which meant many were relying on the food bank to feed their families. Now this area is making efforts to make sure that the next time a storm or other extreme event happens, they are more resilient and better able to care for all residents. They have taken up the challenge to help educate their population about food insecurity, something that all of us need to pay attention to. The Grange should strive to educate urban populations as to the importance of supporting and building our agricultural community and take up our own challenge to help with food insecurity.

Food insecurity is a very real problem here in Oregon and across the US. Food security means access by all people at all times to enough food for an active, healthy life. According to the Oregon Center for Public Policy more than a half-million Oregonians now suffer from food insecurity. That means they either went hungry or didn't know where their next meal was coming from at some point during the past year. The Oregon State Grange has challenged each of our Community Granges to do something to support their local food bank this summer. As an agricultural organization we must do our share to shed light on this problem.

If you have been following the new farm bill, you will have noticed that one of the largest sections of this piece of legislation is the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP. Who knows if the farm bill will pass through congress this year, but if it does, the SNAP program may look quite different. One good thing about the program is the emphasis it places on nutrition education. When the original Food Stamp Act was amended to include a provision for an optional nutrition education program to be paired with the distribution of food stamps, SNAP education was born. Since then several states have taken the opportunity to teach



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SNAP beneficiaries how to buy low cost, healthy foods and live healthier lives. The SNAP program is not without flaws and there are many who believe that it should be changed substantially. Whatever happens to this program, there will most likely always be a need to help with food insecurity, and I know the Grange can rise to the occasion.

While reading about food security, I also ran across another issue that I found interesting and timely. In today's world with so much agriculture coming across our borders, the threat of agro-terrorism is growing. It used to be that pests or invasive species came into the country in an unintentional manner; now we need to focus on the deliberate introduction of these threats. One of the protections the US has against these threats, whether deliberate or accidental, is through the US Customs and Border Protection, and their most effective tool is the use of "detector" dogs. These canines are trained to screen passengers and cargo to prevent the introduction of harmful pests and foreign animal disease. A trained agriculture dog can scan a piece of luggage for forgotten or smuggled fruit in seconds as opposed to the time it would take a person to visually inspect the same. We have always known that dogs can be a wonderful helper on the farm, and now we see that they are helping the agricultural community in many ways.

### **Water Resources**

On December 7<sup>th</sup> of last year, a panel of seven people on Oregon's Water Resource Commission adopted Oregon's 2017 Integrated Water Resources Strategy. This is an update of a water resource strategy first adopted in 2012, with provisions for updates every five years. With the extreme weather events in recent years, the future events of possible climate change, and topographic catastrophes such as earthquakes, the panel desired to update the 2012 document to fill in gaps in information and strengthen ideas first set forth in 2012. Overall the commission worked to set policies that will support the population growth, protect wildlife and make our communities better able to endure climate change and extreme events including drought, fires, winter storms, floods and earthquakes. As our water infrastructure ages and the population grows, there will be more and more pressures put on our water resources. It is up to us as part of the voting public and as Grange members to make sure that Agriculture has a voice and a place at the table.

Since 2012 Oregon has made a number of advancements in the area of water management including dedicated funding for measurement and monitoring and expanded invasive species prevention efforts. Guidance Reports have been published to help customers with water-related permitting, allocations of conserved water, water management and conservation plans as well as long term demand forecasts.

Still, even with the advancements that have been made, there will be changes coming as a result of the aging infrastructure, a warming climate and a larger population. There is water scarcity in the eastern part of our State that is affecting ranchers and will eventually affect the price and very quality of our food supply. The Governor of our State has already issued a drought emergency in several counties in the eastern part of the state and recently in Douglas. Douglas is the first county west of the cascades to receive a drought declaration due to low snowpack and low stream flows

Along with the effect on agriculture, wildfire is a very real result of a prolonged drought, bringing damage to homes, farms and our natural resources. As we go into this season make

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sure that we are responsible with this most precious resource and that we constantly advocate for the agricultural uses that our farmers and ranchers so desperately need. And when necessary I hope that our Grange halls are open and welcoming to house, feed and take care of the firefighters who are called upon during the wildfire season.

### **Education**

This coming year the State Grange education committee will promote the programs and efforts of Ag in the Classroom to increase agricultural literacy. Many Granges have supported the Dictionary Project for many years, and I know that our support of that program will go on, but there are areas where the Dictionary Project is being served by other organizations. For those areas I propose that partnering with Ag in the Classroom would be an ideal way to serve our communities. Ag in the Classroom has several ways that our Granges could become involved. One is by purchasing agricultural books for classrooms, or by purchasing the *Get Oregonized* text books. We already have policy supporting the use of *Get Oregonized*; we should take the next step of providing these for classes in our areas. Taking part in their Literacy Project as volunteers is another way to become involved. Each year Ag in the Classroom selects a book that focuses on an aspect of Oregon's agriculture and a lesson plan is developed around that subject. The book and activity materials are provided by them and each classroom receives a copy of the book to keep for themselves. Trained volunteers then schedule times to visit schools throughout the state of Oregon and read to students grades K-4. The volunteer also leads a hands-on lesson that meets Oregon standards to reinforce the book's message. This year that book is Apples to Oregon. The 2018 year is already over, but now is the time for us to start thinking of this program and ways we can make a difference.

### **Connectivity**

The Grange has focused on rural access issues practically since we were established. First for rural free delivery, telephone service and electrification and now to broadband for all. Our National Master has been appointed to an FCC commission and is now working to see that every American in all areas have available to them technology that will facilitate education, health care, science and business. The Oregon State Grange has joined with a group called Connect Americans Now that is working in support of utilizing TV white space spectrum for broadband deployment. This group of concerned citizens, local organizations and rural advocates are committed to eliminating the digital divide that is holding back rural America. The goal is to bring rural Americans who currently lack connectivity, safe and affordable broadband access by 2022 so that they can take advantage of the economic and educational opportunities that exist in other communities.

### **Citizenship**

With our mid-term elections just finished in Oregon, we saw one of the lowest voter turnouts with only 33.6% of the eligible voters mailing or dropping off a ballot. This has been the lowest turnout since the 1970s. The Oregon Secretary of State website lists some of the reasons why people do not vote. Apathy is the number one reason; people don't care or don't feel a responsibility. Others don't believe there is a difference in candidates. Some don't vote for religious reasons, some are disenfranchised, like criminals, minors or those in the county illegally and finally those who are just against voting.

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Our Declaration of Purposes stresses that no one gives up the inalienable right and duty which belongs to every American citizen. On the contrary it says that every member should do all in his or her power to influence for good the action of any political party to which he or she belongs. So, while the Grange is and hopefully always will be a true nonpartisan organization, it is up to us to be leaders and to take a role in the civic awareness of our state and nation.

## **Master's Good of the Order Address**

**Susan M. Noah  
State Master**

### **Introduction**

The Master's Good of the Order Address is a report on the conditions, activities and progress of the State Grange over the last year. As such I urge our members to take it back to your Grange and to encourage all to become familiar with the actions of your State Grange.

### **Membership Programs**

I am so pleased to say that the Grange Up program was successful and for the first time in 26 years we ended the year with a net gain in membership! That taught us that it can be done, we can gain new members. Analyzing the Grange Up program figures shows that 75 Granges had a net gain, 28 Granges stayed the same and only 65 actually showed a loss. That means 61% of our active Granges last year held their own or gained members

The Grange with the highest percentage of net gain was New Bridge Grange #789 in Baker County with a gain of 105%! Second and Third place winners were both from Lincoln County, Siletz Valley Grange #558 with 90% and Salmon River Grange #516 with 85%. The top spots in each district aside from these Granges were: Live Oak #655 in district #1, Macleay #293 in district #2, Leedy #339 in district #3, Gresham #270 in district #4, Little Deschutes #939 in District #5 and North End #820 in district #6. These six Granges have earned an ice cream social put on by the State Grange at an event of their choosing.

There was one category that was not included in the Grange Up program and that was the Grange who gained the most members. We had one Grange who took in 28 new members in 2017, more than any other Grange and although they did not qualify for an award through the Grange Up program because their percentage of gain was lower, I felt that with that many new members they were very deserving of recognition so I have started an annual Master's Award for membership gain. I discussed the program with the Foundation, and they have agreed to make an ongoing fund, so that donations can be made and will benefit the Grange with the most new members each year. The 2017 winner was Marys River Grange #685 in Benton County.

Having a net gain in membership spurred on the Directors to come up with another plan for this year and Grange Connections was born. If Grange Up was about gearing ourselves up to gain members, Grange Connections is about sustaining that growth. It is about taking what we learned last year and using it to our advantage to further the efforts of the Grange.

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Connections are made in various ways. There is the connection we make with other members of our Grange. While we do not have to think alike, a healthy Grange will have members who are open to new ideas and new challenges and who readily discuss ideas and come to an agreement after listening to all thoughts.

The connections we make with other Granges, with our Pomona Granges and with the State Grange are also important. The exchange of ideas is one of the very foundations of our organization. Oliver Hudson Kelley saw the need for an organization that would bring people from the North and South together in a spirit of mutual cooperation and the Grange was born.

The most important connection is the one we make with our communities, for if we are not connected to the communities we serve, how will we grow and sustain the organization? If we are not connected how will we know what the community needs? If we are not connected where will the next generation of Grangers come from?

At this point in the year we have not attained a net gain, but that is normal following the first quarter. We all need to go home to our Granges though and strive to hit that mark by the end of 2018. Remember that any Grange that achieves a net gain by the end of the year will receive five dollars for each member gained this year. At this point we have not discussed what next year's membership program will be, but I hope that each Grange will continue to make the connections necessary to gain new members. One year of net gain would be considered an exception, two could be considered as a coincidence but if we can sustain the net gain for three years it will be a trend!

### **Finances**

The proposed budget shows that we are continuing to withdraw more money from the Leadership/Membership fund than comes into it each year, and while we do not want to deplete it, the Executive Committee also doesn't want to consider it as a "retirement" fund. This money was originally set aside to help with membership growth and to continue training our leaders for the future of the Grange. I believe we have stayed true to that original purpose to grow our organization and to build leaders. We have also made use of the training purposes of the Reverted Grange Fund to present the Grange 101 conferences statewide.

The proposed budget also shows a slight increase in the budget for our standing committees. Over the past two years the Directors and their committees have been asked to take on more responsibilities, which ultimately brings more cost to the State Grange. But I believe the benefits outweigh the increased costs. As stated in the Grange Connections program the connection we make between the levels of Grange is very important. The connection between the Community Grange and the State Grange can bring economic benefits to the Community Grange, through programs like the Grant Program and loans. Information is mostly circulated via the mail system, or by phone and email, but personal outreach always brings the most benefits.

Overall our finances have not changed a great deal within the last year, but one thing to note is that as our membership increases so does our income. It does not cost any more to take care of the paperwork for 10,000 members than it does for 5,000. The 213 members we gained last year would translate to just under \$10,000 for a full year. You can see how this can affect our budget. I hope that we are able to carry on and continue to show an increase.

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The second quarter report went out just before we closed the office for this convention. This is the first year that we have offset dues owed with the life membership payment instead of sending out separate checks. Last year the delegates voted to allow the state office to handle the Life membership payments this way, and we were glad to take advantage of it. Every year we had several life membership checks that were not cashed causing bookkeeping problems, so this will take care of that issue and give the Granges the money they have coming.

### Legislative

We come here each year to set new policies, but without our continuing efforts as individuals many times that work goes unseen. Last year we were represented very ably by Craig Loughridge, as our registered lobbyist. He fought on our behalf to stop the Senate Bill that may have been the first step in ending our property tax exempt status. Craig also started the Capitol Granger email service and kept us more up to date on the activities of our State Legislature. At the end of the year Craig notified me that he would have to step down from his position due to a change in jobs and so we were once again on the lookout for a new lobbyist. I am very happy to report that with the help of Brother Don Kingsborough I made contact with a new member at Springwater Grange, Brother John DeHaas. John subsequently agreed to take on the job and is now our registered lobbyist. John is here this week, so please take the time to introduce yourself. I'm sure that he can offer ways we all can help to further the policies of the Oregon State Grange.

Two years ago, we adopted a resolution that called for the sunseting of any legislative policy that had not been reaffirmed. Last year we saw over 40 resolutions that called for the reaffirmation of some of those policies, thus ensuring their continuance as a policy of the Oregon State Grange. Whether you are a fan of "sunseting" or not I think we can all agree that this has caused us to take a hard look at our policy handbook. By the end of the session last year we had cut our handbook nearly in half and what's more all of us probably have a better idea of the content than we did in the years leading up to this. As an organization we have been known to change our collective minds. In this age of rapidly changing technology and information we should constantly be scrutinizing what we support, much like the Gatekeeper whose sleepless watchfulness at his post scrutinizes "all who enter or pass out". We have always had the ability to change or withdraw sections of the policy handbook, but we seemed to be sadly neglectful of that right. I'm sure that our current lobbyist would tell you that having a more concise document makes his job easier.

In order to continue this examination of our policy I would like to recommend that each year we create a policy statement for each section in our handbook, based on the adopted policies contained therein. This document could more easily be given to legislators but would be in a friendlier format for the casual reader. It would not replace the Legislative handbook we currently have, but instead would augment it. I believe that our Legislative standing committee should take on this task, with a final approval from the Executive Committee. I want to stress that the standing committee would only be summarizing the policies this body had adopted, not setting any new ones. From this we should be able to set priorities for each year as well, a necessity if we are to make the best possible use of our legislative team.

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## Ritual and Culture

This spring I started a series of conferences focused on getting back to the basics of Grange. Growing up in this organization over the last 50 years I had the good fortune of joining at a time when the first four degrees were given at Grange meetings on a regular basis. I took the first and second one night and the third and fourth at the next meeting. Youth degree and drill teams were commonplace and Lane county took our share of the awards. I developed my love of our ritual during those years. The wonderful lessons were repeated many times, and I was constantly finding ways they related to my life. But as we finish the first 150 years of the Grange we have moved to a very quick and easy ceremony to initiate new members into our organization, and in the process, we have lost part of our culture.

New members come into the Grange without hearing any of the lessons that have perpetuated our culture. Not only that but typically they are left on their own to glean information wherever they can. How many Granges actually appoint the mentor that is referred to in the Welcoming Ceremony? I think a winning bet would say "not many." This does not have to be the way we remain. Part of the "Connections" program is connecting with our own members. Now is the time we should be promoting the teaching of the lessons of faith, hope, charity and fidelity as presented in our degree work. Work together to learn about our culture, mentor new members in our ritual and our meeting structure and we will have stronger Granges.

## Youth and Juniors

Our Youth and Junior programs are very important to the Grange, and not simply for the reason of having youth age members to continue on with the work of the Grange. I was intrigued by a recent article written by our National Master, Betsy Huber, regarding a research project at Penn State called FaceAge. Apparently, researchers have discovered that "young people don't tend to approach old people and older people don't tend to approach younger people." FaceAge is trying to help communities of people take the time to see each other differently. Research like this just confirms what many of us in the Grange already know, that by working together as a multigenerational organization we are improving the lives of all our members.

While writing this address, especially my thoughts on our culture, I was remembering my time within the youth program. As a teenager some of the most important people in my life were in their golden years. My knowledge of Grange came from the study I did then and from listening to many voices from all age groups. The fun I had with my peers brought me into Grange, but the lessons I learned from my mentors kept me involved and wanting more. So, when I say that these programs are important to the Grange I speak from my own experience.

Many of the people here today started in the Grange as young adults or even as Junior members, and we had the benefit of mentors. Are we committed to doing the same for the young adults and juniors we have now? And are our younger members taking advantage of the programs Grange has to offer? Only by working together will we be as strong in the next 150 years as we have been in the past. We must all make the effort to mentor and to be mentored.

## Pomona Granges

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A task force made up of volunteers and Pomona Masters has met three times since our last convention. Over the course of those meetings we discussed the purposes of the Pomona Grange, the barriers that keep us from accomplishing those purposes and ways to overcome them. Needless to say, there is no magic bullet to reinvent the Pomona Grange, but I believe we have come up with a path to improvement.

Communication and training figured in more than a few of the discussions by the task force. It becomes easy to forget that training is an ongoing process and over the years it has become a something that we simply hope will happen on the Pomona level. But if we expect the Pomona Granges to take care of the Community Granges within their jurisdiction, we need to provide some training in key areas. Developing a communications strategy; Creating a legislative/government affairs program; Ritualism; Team building and Effectively sharing information. To start this process, we have set a date in September to hold a first training session. The Master and Secretary of each Pomona as well as two additional members will be invited to this first training session. This will be a start, but we cannot go back to simply hoping that Pomona leaders train themselves, we need to continue this program each year and make it a part of our long-term planning.

We must also recognize that this training does not stop with the four people who attend. From there the Pomona leadership must also do their part to continue this process, and the Community Granges must make their own effort to attend their Pomona meetings and events. One interesting note from the Grange Up program is that 13 Grange counties lost members last year. If we had a strong Pomona Grange in each could we have prevented these losses?

The task force also set up an email list to make it easier for Pomona Granges to share their ideas and plans with others. Finally, thanks to Cat Thomas for starting development on a brochure that explains the Pomona role. With the input of the rest of the task force and the Executive Committee we have a finished product to be distributed this week. We still have work to do with the Pomona Grange, especially in the areas where Pomona Granges have gone dormant. I still see work for the task force, and plan on continuing it over the next year.

### **150 Years of Grange**

This past year we have seen many celebrations in honor of our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Mark and I were lucky enough to attend the Gala held by the National Grange at Washington D.C. on the Grange birthdate of December 4<sup>th</sup>, and then a week later the Oregon State Grange hosted our own event. Both were wonderful celebrations! Many Community Granges also held events to honor the occasion and helped to raise the awareness of the Grange in the process. On a state level, we had a traveling display in libraries across the state. Sister Marilyn Reiher spent many hours in planning and presenting this exhibit. She started in 2016 with the planning and installed the first exhibit on April 15, 2017 in Benton County. The last installation was set up at the Multnomah Central Library with the help of a team of volunteers at the end of April this year. 12 display cases on the library's third floor were filled with information on various aspects of the Grange. Marilyn and crew did a great job curating the items. Each case described a part of our history, our present and our future. Overall a variation of the display was seen in 24 locations around the state.

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## In Memoriam

It is fitting that every year we set aside time to remember brothers and sisters who are no longer with us. This year our fraternal circle has again been broken and we have said goodbye to family and friends. The Faith we practice helps us in our hour of need and is of comfort to those of us who remain on this earthly pilgrimage. These members will not be forgotten as their accomplishments will live on within all of us. We will remember them as we go about our duties within the Grange and we will appreciate all that they have brought to our lives. The legacy they leave will continue on in the lives of us all.

We must also take this opportunity to be thankful and to remember the men and women in uniform who serve our country. Many have lost their lives in defending ours and we must never forget that sacrifice.

## Conclusion

The state of our organization is actually pretty good, and I believe we are headed in the right direction. Granges are inviting new members to join and they are working in their communities.

The State Grange continues to try to raise awareness of the Grange as a whole. We are always looking at ways we can increase our visibility within the state and we are looking for ways that we can be of benefit to the Community Grange.

As you have heard this report you may have questions that have not been covered, you may have ideas that we have not thought of, if so please bring them to our attention. When being visited by one of the state leaders reach out and express your thoughts, let us know how we are doing and what more can be done. We are all in this together and we are all working toward an organization that supports communities, that is family friendly, nonpartisan, nonsectarian, with membership open to all. One with roots in the community who brings neighbors together to meet local needs. That is our mission.

## Overseer's Report

Brothers and Sisters,

As I write my final Oregon State Grange Overseer report, I want to take the time to recognize and thank all those members who have served with me on the State Grange Executive Committee over these last 6 years. These men and women donate their time and talents for untold hours to meet and make difficult decisions for the good of the Order. It is often a thankless and stressful job, but we've all served in this capacity because we believe in the Grange. To quote from the 5<sup>th</sup> degree "It is instituted not merely for amusement, but to accomplish great objects". Every member needs to share this conviction with us, that our Order has and still will accomplish great things.

The Grange Connection program has been in place for the last 6 months. I hope your Subordinate Grange has taken the opportunity to make new connections in your community,



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with your members and to become connected in some way with your neighboring Granges. Each Grange can and does amazing things, but together we can do so much more.

“Do good, hoping for nothing in return, and your reward shall be great. Love one another” (2<sup>nd</sup> degree). There are wonderful lessons that still have great meaning located throughout our ritual. We have become distanced from these lessons by no longer seeing or being involved with this side of Grange. I would suggest that members make our ritual part of a Lecturer’s program, use some of the more resonate passages to highlight the principles of the Grange to prospective members, or share your favorite sections with fellow members. This can make us feel more connected with each other. “Gather up memories of others’ virtues and pass by their faults in pity”. (3<sup>rd</sup> degree)

Since last convention I had the opportunity to work at the Great Steam Up, the log cabin at the State Fair and remain active in two Subordinate Granges and one Pomona. No matter what office I hold, or what activity I am involved in, it is my belief that the most important title any of us can ever hold is Grange member. I look forward to continuing service to the Grange holding this highest of titles.

Fraternally Submitted  
Celia Luttrell, Overseer

## Lecturer’s Report

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters,

This past year has been another learning curve for me. The honor of being a State officer is a heck of a lot of work. I was up for the challenge and found that I had “bitten off more than I could chew.” The saying that it “takes a village to raise a child” could also mean that it takes a village to run a committee.

Last August Alex Coe and I drove to Anaheim to attend Western Regionals, first stopping in the San Francisco Bay Area to meet my newest grandchild. We enjoyed the exercises and role playing, especially mummifying fellow Grangers in toilet paper.

Late September found me showing off some cooking skills at the Directors conference, bringing lasagna and desserts to share. Master Susan Noah headed us in the Grange Connections, a follow up to GrangeUp.

I visited several Granges in Jackson and Josephine County to present the Connections program, which seemed to be well received. I’m hopeful that I can revisit these Granges this fall and offer my help where needed.

In November of 2017 The Oregon State Grange Officers attended the National Convention in Spokane Washington and exemplified the sixth degree. We were awesome and looked beautiful!

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Thank you to all of my committee for all your hard work: Carmel Valencia, Roberta O'Dell, Theresa Thorud, Dan Le Brun, Vickie High, Melissa High. Thank you, Worthy Master Susan Noah, for all you do.

Thank you to all my brothers and sisters for putting your confidence in me. It's not been easy to get the time off from work to do everything that I wanted to do but as a Grange member persevere is the word.

And I leave you with a quote from a presenter at the honors assembly from Waukon Iowa High School, "A bad attitude is like a flat tire, you won't go very far until you fix it." I'm looking at a few flat tires and persevering!

It's been an honor to serve as Oregon State Grange Lecturer this past year

Fraternally,  
Linda Helm, Oregon State Grange Lecturer

## **Steward's Report**

Brother and Sisters,

Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to be your Oregon State Steward. This year has been in one word; busy. While I have tried to be as responsible as I can be being a youth officer as well as a State officer, life can get in the way.

During our Grange Connections mission this year for bringing our communities together, I had 2 assigned granges; Walterville and Elmira. Walterville Grange was my first stop and I was able to give them the information that they needed, maybe too much. What was supposed to be a 15-minute talk turned into about a half hour and Vernon was not shy about telling me. But I left that Grange knowing that I was able to give them that boost they needed to help perhaps in other ways than they normally do.

Visiting Elmira Grange was a different experience. Their meeting didn't feel like a normal meeting, more like you were being invited into someone's home. The information I relayed on them took the same amount of time, but they were very patient and full of questions. They also had a youth member there to which I extended an invitation to State, because I felt it is important for the youth to know about the political side of Grange, that they may not see normally. All and all, I felt I was able to sum up that your sense of community is all about "what can we do to help." no matter if its State, Pomona or in your local community.

My mission this upcoming year is to try to visit more Granges during events that they are putting on. I feel the best way to promote community in the Grange is to help and support other communities. Such as with their community service projects or pot lucks. My hope is that this act of kindness will encourage others to branch off and help other communities as well. I would also like to help out with any youth events going on or being put on for us throughout the State.

In conclusion, I want to again thank you all for believing that I do a great job as Oregon State Grange Steward and while I may not be able to help give what I believe is my 100%, I surely do try to give that 99%. I hope I do you all proud!!

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Your extra pair of hands,  
Lexie Suing, Oregon State Grange Steward

## **Assistant and Lady Assistant Steward's Report**

Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for the privilege to serve as your Assistant Stewards of the Oregon State Grange. It has been a pleasure, meeting new people, seeing friends that we may only see once or twice a year.

We enjoy the ritual work, so last year we participated in the first 4 degree exemplified at state session.

Then in November it was cold on a road trip to Spokane Washington to help as Oregon was one of the hosts of National Convention. Phil helped with the unloading and toting of items from set up, to decorating. Louise took on the task of the 7th degree laundry. She was able to talk some other Oregon members to help with the laundry. They worked on the laundry and ironing for 2 days, but nothing got scorched. Threats were made from our National Pomona Susan Noah about her court robe, but it was given special care for her to look the best. We enjoyed being part of the Oregon team to exemplify the 6th degree. What an honor for us as a state and personally.

Then time for the gala in Salem to celebrate 150 Years of Grange. None of these things happen without planning. Thank you to the planning team as it was a lovely afternoon.

We were able to do a small part of the Grange connections. We hope programs like this can continue.

Next, we had a little hiccup in our lives. (True it is that things can change in the blink of an eye.) Our Grange family and friends have surrounded us with love, prayer, cards, and love. Our many, many thanks. Phil has been and is a great nurse, chauffeur, and a steadfast partner. My many thanks and love to him as we move along this path together.

Thanks to Maggie Swartzendruber, who offered to pro-team for Lady Assistant Steward as needed for this state session. Thanks also to Linda Wetzell for keeping the beat for us.

Fraternally,  
Louise Holst  
Phil Van Buren  
Your Assistant Stewards of the Oregon State Grange

## **Chaplain's Report**

Brothers and Sisters,

I can't believe another year has come and gone. Most of us will still be here to gather in Astoria, but a few won't. We always grieve those who have left but we need to remember

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them and to celebrate all their wonderful contributions that have made this organization great. It is their legacy, what is the one you are building? I hope that you are celebrating a year of great Grange successes – those of good works, caring words and actions. The first thing I look at in the Bulletin is the many community service projects that the local Granges are doing – food banks, fund raisers for worthy causes, warm clothes for those in need, you all do so much and believe me others watch. Whenever I am asked about the Grange those are the things I talk about and those are the things that make people decide they want to be part of this organization so keep up the good work. I hope those are the legacy's that you are working on.

Our own Grange always adopts a family at Christmas, furnishing toys and clothes for the children and a complete Christmas dinner for the family. It gives us so much joy to do for others. We also just did a spaghetti dinner and the use of our hall for a variety show as a fund raiser for a woman who was in need of a double lung transplant (she got her transplant and is doing well). We provide clothes, underwear, socks, towels, soaps and other personal hygiene products for a local grade school. Many of the students in this poor neighborhood are in real need and we are happy to help. I would encourage all Granges to look into this project. Contact the local school principal and find out what you can do to help these kids. It's really hard to learn if you come to school and have an accident and no way to bathe and change into clean clothes. Sometimes there is no shower available at home due to lack of hot water or just no one caring. You will be surprised at how easy it is to help these kids and just how very rewarding.

I have had a great and very busy year as your Chaplain. I have had the chance to go to many Granges for a variety of reasons and always enjoy that the most. If any of you would like to have me at your Grange just ask. It is always so interesting to see what makes each Grange so unique and so vibrant in its community. About a month ago, John and I went to Kellogg Grange to play Bingo. So much fun and I almost won enough money to pay for my card. I encourage all of you to visit other Granges – maybe just to support their fund raisers or to help them with a project. I guarantee that you will get more out of the experience than you expected.

I send out a lot of cards through the year and am always willing to do so. If you know of someone who is ill, suffered a loss or just needs a reminder that other Grangers care, please call me (541-673-0369) or e-mail me at [johnandpeggyfine@charter.net](mailto:johnandpeggyfine@charter.net). I am always willing to pray for you or with you if you desire. I know God listens and answers our prayers.

I am facing some challenges of my own and will soon be starting dialysis. It's new and scary and I ask you to pray that I face this next challenge of my life with grace and courage. I love being your chaplain and look forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally,  
Peggy Fine

## Treasurer's Report

Another year has come and gone! I've kept busy with various Grange activities. In September we traveled to Enterprise, Oregon and had the pleasure in helping Hurricane Creek Grange at Hells Canyon Mule Days. Had a great time and I got pretty good at grilling onions if I do say so

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myself! I had the honor in November of doing decorations for National Grange in Spokane, Washington. Fun and busy week. Our grandchildren took their 7th degree so that was exciting. I participated in Ag Fest again this year. This was our 11th year of doing this event. Always a fun weekend. I had planned on working on the Grange Connection membership program but had hip surgery instead! I helped on the Oregon State Grange budget which is always interesting.

Thanks for letting me serve as your Oregon State Grange Treasurer. We have a great organization so let's strive to make it even better. Remember when you're asked to help say "I'd be delighted"!

Fraternally yours,  
Paula Herrick  
Oregon State Grange Treasurer

## Secretary's Report

Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for another year of serving the Oregon State Grange as a state officer. I enjoyed my first year and state convention as Secretary. In addition to the annual State Grange Convention, I also participate in the quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee and work on various other projects to support the Oregon State Grange. In 2017-2018 there were many events around Oregon celebrating the Grange's 150th anniversary. Thank you for inviting me and my fellow officers to participate in your community events. We are always happy to come lend a hand with our fellow Grange members.

While I don't work in the Oregon State Grange office, I do partner with our State Master and office staff on a regular basis. Know that they are available to help you with any questions you may have regarding forms, reports, membership, and anything else that might come up. Each Grange is asked to make your reports and payments promptly. This allows the state office to collect the data for reports to the Executive Committee and to the National Grange. We are all members of a larger organization that has incredible benefits, and responsibilities. If you need assistance, please just ask. The office of Secretary in a community Grange is one of high importance as all of the records of your Grange are in your care. If you are a Secretary, I thank you for all of the time you commit as a volunteer of the Grange. If you have not yet had the opportunity to serve as Secretary of your Grange, or another new office, please consider it. Change can be intimidating, but learning new things is oh so rewarding. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as Secretary of the Oregon State Grange and look forward to another term serving you.

Sarah Kingsborough  
Oregon State Grange Secretary

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## Gatekeeper's Report

Since session last year preparing for the new membership goals/activities has been top on our Master's list and the membership team has done an outstanding job with the Grange Connections program, growing the Grange is both exciting and encouraging.

As your OSG Gatekeeper I was privileged to present the Grange Connections materials to two subordinate Granges in Washington County, Dixie Mountain #860, Washington #313 plus two more Columbia #267 in Multnomah County and with Margaret (GWA Dir) to Ramsey Park #352 Wasco County.

Being able to visit Granges has always been enjoyable for me, and as usual being together with old friends is an added benefit.

Then joining the State Master down near the coast to present two of last year's membership overall gain winners, Siletz Valley and Salmon River.

In November 2017 up to Spokane Washington for National session and the exemplification of the 6<sup>th</sup> degree by the Oregon State Officers.

Thank you to the membership for the nomination to a second term as your Oregon State Grange Gatekeeper.

Fraternally  
James Clute  
Your Oregon State Grange Gatekeeper

## Ceres's Report

Brothers and Sisters:

It's been an honor to serve as your Ceres of the Oregon State Grange.

This year I had the opportunity to visit many Granges from Lane County and one in Benton County as part of "Grange Connections". Jeff and I enjoyed seeing how the Granges connected to their community.

At National last year in Spokane, Oregon State Grange officers presented the sixth degree. Briauna Herrick and Payton Miller were my attendants and wonderful in helping me put together my Court.

I enjoy working with my fellow Grangers and with the Community. I am looking forward to this year's 2018 State Session and seeing old friends and making new friends. We will have a wonderful celebration of last year's GrangeUp '17 success.

Fraternally,  
Elizabeth C. Dehne  
OSG Ceres

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## Pomona' Report

Brothers and Sisters,

The last year has been one of change for me. I wrapped up my time at Eastern Oregon University and moved back to St. Helens. While I have a couple terms left to finish online I can see the light at the end of the tunnel for my college degree. And I have often kept the lessons of the 5<sup>th</sup> degree in mind while persevering to get it done! I also accepted a job in Beaverton, but one thing I made sure of when in negotiations was that I was to be given the week for State Grange off.

This year I was able to attend Nationals and perform with my fellow State Officers the 6<sup>th</sup> degree, and we did a fine job of representing Oregon if I do say so myself. I was also able to attend a Grange Birthday party and several other events this year with different communities.

I cannot express how much of a privilege and honor it is to be your Oregon State Grange Pomona these last two years, and I am so excited to be able to serve you for the next two years as well.

Finally, I would like to thank my attendant Grace and Maggie for all of their assistance, and especially Eva Frost and Marilyn Reiher for all of their help and guidance; I would not be able to do it without them.

Fraternally,  
Mikela Heimuller  
OSG Pomona

## Flora's Report

Worthy Master, and Brothers and Sisters;

As your State Flora, I urge the cultivation of flowers and the beautifying of our home. Flowers remind us that we should cherish and love the virtue of others. I am grateful for these reminders to stop and smell the flowers.

This past year has been quite an adventurous journey for me. My granddaughter picked the date of June 16<sup>th</sup> to get married. It was not the simple ceremony, but it was a big backyard party on nine acres. She chose the "Alice in Wonderland" theme with the tea party with 13 tables, the tea cups and tea pot, six months of creating the path through the woods, the rabbit hole, and the rabbit that was late. With all of the other activities that never stopped, it is a wonder that I am still in one piece.

I want to thank Mikela Heimuller and Teresa Cernac for their help and support in pulling the behind the scene pieces together this year. They have taken my stage ideas and helped me to make them a reality.

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I would like to thank Margaret Clute, Roberta O'Dell, Mikela Heimuller, Julie Wheeler, Liz Dehne, Teresa Cernac and Cindy Becker for keeping me organized back stage, helping with flowers, *and helping us all get in and out of our robes during the Sixth Degree.*

I would like to thank Roberta O'Dell and Jessie Jo Guttridge for being my attendants during the Sixth Degree, and David McBride and Alan Becker as my ushers preventing me from falling off the stage. Jay Sexton, Jim Dumolt and Don Kingsborough for opening the stage curtains and securing them so they don't fall down.

I would like to thank the Rosebud Team for their awesome beautiful work. It was hard to round up available girls and as you may have noticed, some of the younger girls were 1+ Junior members. I believe in involving the youth and younger members. I would like to thank Julie Wheeler for her beautiful singing voice and Linda Wetzell for her piano talents.

This has been a year of extended education for me and it is an honor taking part in this most beautiful part of our State Convention.

Fraternally,  
Eva Frost  
OSG Flora

## **Executive Committee Position #1**

Dear Worthy Master, Sisters and Brothers:

This past year has been very rewarding. This year the "Grange Connection" and "Grange 101" were the follow up to the "GrangeUp '17" program and the "Healthy Grange" Conferences. These efforts are proving their value. We were able to increase our state membership by over 200. The plan is to continue to use the lessons learned this past year and a half to keep growing the Grange and serving our Communities. The Oregon State Grange is strong thanks to all the dedicated members and staff that work hard every day. I am looking forward to seeing my fellow Grangers in Astoria and sharing our successes of the past year.

The Grange offers one of the few places a community can come together as families and work on common issues based on our core values that help all people have healthy fulfilled lives. As we prepare for State Session this year and we practice the Degrees, it reminds us of what the Grange is based on. The Degree lessons are so valuable in our daily life. Faith, Hope, Charity and Fidelity can give us a reason to get out of bed each day and take us step by step through the day doing good for all. My favorite Degree lesson is the Fifth. Perseverance. "All through life, never let it be forgotten..." So many times, we are confronted with what looks like an impossible task. By staying focused and taking one step at a time, we can get it done. The dedication to the land, animals and people with an emphasis on learning and getting better every day is a strong foundation that everyone can use to make themselves better and the world better.

We don't know what the next year will bring, but we move forward knowing that we, as a family, can survive and grow. See you down the road on our next adventure.

Thank you and call me anytime.



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Fraternally,  
Jeffrey C. Dehne  
Executive Committee Position #1

## Executive Committee Position #2

2018 was another busy year as your State Executive member position #2. The grant program continues to prove successful and many Granges have taken advantage of it sprucing up their halls. We made many decisions and as always, I did my best for the health of the Oregon State Grange. This year's membership promotion "Grange Connections" seems to continue to make an impact on many Granges. As I visited some they expressed appreciation of having a State officer visit them again this year.

I have enjoyed being an Oregon State Grange Officer for over 20 years in various capacities. But I feel it is time for new people and new ideas to take the helm. I thank you all for the support that I have had serving. I will still be around but in a supporting role of the new officers.

Fraternally,  
Don Sether

## State Deputy's Report

Worthy Master, Brothers and Sisters:

It has been my pleasure to serve you as one of the State Deputies. It has been an interesting year, visiting Granges across the state at their request, at other members' request, and of course at the direction of the Worthy Master. I have found that most Grangers have a reversion clause...no, not in their deeds; in their behavioral contract with each other. I can make them move their meetings from the kitchen back to the main hall, or even just to the dining room...but they are likely to revert.

All of you here today, your Granges are doing things. It's the Granges next door you want help with. They tell you they're too old to do things at their Grange. Here's my suggestion. Visit them often, so they get to know you. Then, ask them for help with a project at YOUR Grange. Make sure there's something for them to do that's vital to your success, even if there are only two or three who are willing. Now you owe them and can offer to help with a project at their Grange. I know, I know, they can't get the community to come to their hall. The Post Office has a program, pretty reasonably priced, called Every Door Direct Mail (EDDM.) Take a few minutes at your computer to find the rules and the costs to send a flyer to every household on the delivery route around any hall. Don't be discouraged if the first effort is not successful. P. T. Barnum said, "If you're not willing to advertise seven times, don't bother to advertise at all." Help them pick a project that won't overtax them and won't scare the neighbors. If the hall is known for bad water, maybe a dinner is not a place to start. If the hall is in bad shape, can they do something outdoors? The best thing you can do for a struggling Grange is to keep trying.

I enjoy this work and would like to continue as long as the Master also enjoys my work.

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Fraternally,

Carol Everman  
Deputy to the State Master

## Agriculture Committee Report

2018 has been my fourth year as Agriculture Committee Director. Again, we had a busy year with traditional events, Grange visits, and active participation in the Oregon State Grange.

This year's Oregon Ag Fest in late April in Salem we had about 70 Granger volunteers, and this made it much easier on the core group of organizers. We greatly appreciate everyone's time who worked at this event with bright smiles and busy hands. Approximately 20,000 people attend this family-oriented celebration of Agriculture. Vern and Paula Herrick, of the Ag Committee, prepare over 5000 seedlings for the Grange to hand out to interested children and adults. Teufel Products Company donates organic potting soil which we use. Without the efforts of these groups our Ag Fest booth could not be the success it has been.

The State Grange had a table at the Oregon FFA conference in Redmond. Although I was not able to attend, the Grange message was warmly delivered by Master Susan, Membership Director Sandi Ludi and volunteers from Terrebonne Grange. The Oregon Grange again sponsored the FFA Prepared Public Speaking Contest, as we have for over 80 years, with the winner this year being Chloe Birkmaier from Imbler. Unfortunately, she is not able to travel to our convention to give her speech.

For the second year Oregon State Grange was a Silver Level Sponsor of the annual Oregon State University Small Farms Conference. Our people at the Oregon Grange table spoke with many young farmers. With over 1000 attendees, mostly young farmers and young families, this is a crowd of perfect future grange members. During two days we spent many hours chatting with small farmers and handing out contact and meeting information for Granges close to these people's homes.

At State Session this year will have three Agriculture Conferences. On Sunday morning Jessica Jansen of **Oregon Ag In the Classroom**, will speak about this organization, which is a perfect partner for Oregon Grange in promoting Agricultural education in schools. They provide complete lesson plans and kits for teachers, and Oregon Grange volunteers can bring these resources to local schools.

The second Ag Conference on Monday morning will feature Mike Seely of **Seely Mint Farm**, now entering its fourth generation. Mike will talk about the interesting details of bringing this unique crop to the international market.

A third talk on "Bees and Agriculture" was given by Phoenix Grange member Sharon Schmidt.

This year's Ag Tour visited Warrenton's Marina for a tour guided by OSU Extension experts on the commercial fishing fleet. We heard about the boats, technologies, products, and challenges of commercial fishing here. The next stop was the Columbia River Maritime Museum where we were guided through the museum displays. Finally, we returned to the

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Convention site where the Ag Tour participants enjoyed the Junior Lunch, courtesy of the Ag Committee.

I have enjoyed my time as Ag Committee Director and look forward to serving the Oregon State Grange in new capacities in the future.

Jay Sexton, Director  
Oregon State Grange Agriculture Committee

## Communications Team Report

### Introduction

*If you want something done, ask a busy person to do it. The more things you do, the more you can do. -Lucille Ball*

Marilyn Reiher, Sarah Kingsborough, Mark Noah and Suzy Ramm are those busy people who as your Communications Team were each able to find time to add more things to do, in support of the Oregon State Grange. Suzy's work on the Bulletin continues to be outstanding, and all four members of the committee did a share for the Grange Connections visitation effort, but the highlight of the year was the Grange 150 Library Project spearheaded by Marilyn. The communications team works as a resource for local Granges. All are encouraged to contact a member with questions and ideas. We might not be able to solve every problem quickly and easily, but we might have an idea or suggestion or connection that will help. Fly-fishermen break big waters down into smaller situations that are easier to fish, instead of flailing around out in the main stream just wishing for success. Take small steps and achieve what you can incrementally until all at once you realize the big issue isn't as intimidating as it seemed.

Following are some highlights of the work of the Communications Team for 2017-18.

### 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The 150 Years of Grange library exhibit has traveled to 24 libraries from Bandon and North Bend to Ontario and from St Helens and Rainier to Medford and Phoenix. Seven displayed only the timeline poster. The poster has also been displayed at county fairs, the Great Oregon Steam Up!, Log Cabin, and other events. The State Grange now has four copies of the poster that can be borrowed for your event.

The grand finale is the Multnomah Central Library exhibit. An opening reception was hosted by the library on May 5<sup>th</sup> and included refreshments, a brief program, and live music. There were over 50 in attendance, mostly Grangers, to hear comments from library staff as well as appreciation from exhibit coordinator Marilyn Reiher for the small army of helpers who made this possible. Visitors marveled at an entire room full of creative and informative display cases that captured, in words and pictures and artifacts, the Grange of the past and the present. The display concludes June 24 and the following week any loaned objects will be returned to their owners. All other info in the cases will be taken to the State Grange office. If you would like to borrow any items for your own display, talk to the State Grange office.

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## National Grange Good Day! Magazine

The quarterly magazine "Good Day" was launched in late winter 2016 by the National Grange and Oregon has continually had a presence in each issue. These are either submitted by individual Granges or from the Bulletin editor and former NG Communications Fellow who is always looking for stories that might appeal to a national audience.

Since the magazine's inception Oregon has had at least one story in each issue. It started out slowly with just a short blurb in each of the first two issues in the states' Roundup section, then came issue 3 with three stories: Oregon's Youth and Young Adults "Keeping Oregon Warm" project, a wrap-up article on our 2017 state convention and a story on Oregon's 2017 Agriculturalists of the Year.

Next was a double issue 4 and 5. Included in the magazine were articles on Oregon's Youth who served at the 2017 National Convention in the John Trimble Legislative Experience position, a photo and a few lines on the library display, the Silverton Grange Eclipse fundraiser, a picture of the new Junior Ambassador surrounded by past ambassadors and a ten-page article on Warner Grange's Cuddle Cot fundraiser and the Itami family. Issue 6, which came out this spring had an article on Oregon's own National Junior Ambassador.

Expect to see more articles in future issues, assuming the magazine continues. The future of the magazine is in question. While, overall, the reception has been extremely positive from the members who have signed up for a subscription, not enough members have signed up. Please check out the magazine at the Communications Team table during the tradeshow and consider subscribing. We will be happy to collect your subscription cards and money and forward them as a group to National.

### Grange Bulletin

This was a year of ups and downs for the Bulletin. The big "Down" was the hacking of the OSG office computers in January/February. For the Bulletin it resulted in a complete rebuild of the almost finished February/March paper. Overnight on Saturday February 3rd the bulletin computer was hacked and whoever attacked it destroyed everything on it. A lot was recoverable from backups, but the February/March paper was toast as well as all the files for the December/January, February/March papers and some of the October/November issue.

Later this year we hope to be converting the program used to layout the paper from PageMaker to InDesign. For many, many years we have been using PageMaker but it is no longer supported by the manufacturer. One of the things lost during the hacking was the ability to convert the paper into a pdf for the newspaper printer from PageMaker files. Luckily the print shop we use for other printing here in Salem can convert it to InDesign and then to a pdf the newspaper printer can work with, but it has added another day or two to the production schedule. Hopefully the learning curve won't be too bad when we switch programs. While the hacking was the main problem, we learned that the backup was not doing a complete job. The editor now has a portable hard drive that the editor's computer is backed up to regularly and goes home with the editor every day.

One of the positive things accomplished this year was the development of a "Letter to the Editor" policy. Approved by the Oregon State Grange Executive Committee at their July 2017 meeting, it is available on the OSG website.

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Again, this year two of the issues contained four color pages (back, front and middle section). These appeared in the August/September issue with pictures from state convention and we had hoped in the February/March issue to have the two-page middle section showcase how Granges celebrated the 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Grange but with the hacking it was not to be. Instead we used color in the April/May issue where the center section featured Oregon's Grange Legacy Families who were part of the first group recognized by the National Grange. This issue was used as the handout at Ag Fest and is available at the 150 Years of Grange Display at the Multnomah Central Library. It is hoped the budget allows these color issues to continue.

This being an election year there was an additional publication in March with the OSG Officer candidate statements. We were able to make it an 8-page paper for only 3 cent a copy more for printing and no extra postage. This allowed us to print all the National Grange Policy Statements from the 2017 National Convention in time for Granges to consider resolutions if they wanted changes.

We love being able to reprint stories about our Granges and Grangers from other sources. Most local papers are happy to give us permission to reprint as long as we give them credit. If a story appears in your local paper that might be of interest to Grangers around the state, please forward it to the editor with the name of the paper and date it ran. Efforts will be made to get reprint permission.

It is great to be able to supply extra papers for your special events so remember to ask before the publication date if you are wanting the upcoming issue. Otherwise if you can use back issues there are usually some at the office. We are unable to continually send out extras to a Grange for every issue. There are only so many extras printed, and we want to be able to spread them around to Granges throughout the state.

Each year the goal is to increase the number of stories/notices from different Granges that appear in the paper. This year we had 98 Subordinate/Community Granges which is the less than last year's 101 and 5 Pomona Granges up from 4 last year, which have submitted stories. Additionally, 8 Junior Granges or Subordinates with 1+ Juniors provided stories on their Juniors for the paper, that was down from 9 the previous year. Next year we hope to have even more Granges represented in the paper. Wouldn't it be nice if every Grange in the state appeared at least once each year in the Bulletin? And please more stories showing your Juniors, Youth and Young Adults participating in your Grange activities.

One thing that would be helpful to your editor is if Granges would submit only one subject or event per article. Your newsletters are excellent reading, but they are hard to convert to an article. If there is time, a Grange may be contacted for more information if a story jumps out. Also, if your Grange has a Facebook page and OSG Bulletin is not following it please notify Suzy at [gbulletin@orgrange.org](mailto:gbulletin@orgrange.org). By following pages Suzy can spot items of interest and request picture(s) and details for the paper.

A special Thank You goes to Marilyn Reiher for proofing the paper. The Bulletin would not be the quality paper it is without her expertise and hard work. Suzy is thankful that she is willing to continue proofing for us, but we are also looking for a backup, someone Marilyn can train to cover for her if she is not available.

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## Website

*by Marilyn Reiher*

It is with a mixture of joy and sadness that I write my last report as your Webmaster. In 2009 then State Master Phyllis Wilson asked me to take on the Webmaster role. At that time the website may have looked "state of the art," but it had little information and was rarely updated. My proposal was for 16 pages, which I estimated would take me 67 hours to construct. I don't remember how long it actually took, but I do remember that Phyllis was pleasantly surprised when I demonstrated the completed website.

I heard that some on the State Grange Executive Committee were concerned that my design was "too labor intensive." So, I tracked the time it took me to add events to the calendar and make meeting date/time changes. It averaged ten minutes a day. Recently I've been tracking my time for my successor, and in a 30-day period, I spent five minutes per day. Of course, when directors change and the Roster is sent out, the job can be labor intensive.

As time went on pages were added for forms, scholarships, State and National Grange, and how to join. Today the website has 35 pages, which is often challenging because updates may need to be made to multiple pages.

In 2014 the website was converted to WordPress, a popular and free editing tool. The downside of WordPress is hacker attacks, which we've dealt with a number of times.

Also, by 2014 most forms were made fillable, removing a frequently heard complaint. But fillable forms were the straw that made me say, "Technology has passed me by." I don't know why they don't work with Window 10, except that my computer doesn't have Windows 10. So, I've made fewer fillable forms in 2018, and I haven't heard further complaints. But my conclusion remains. It's time for someone else to manage the website.

My least favorite part of the job has been getting information from our Directors and the State Grange office. While I repeatedly told Directors that they are responsible for their webpage, they quickly forgot all about it. I deleted events that had already happened or added events I read about in the Grange Bulletin.

I also didn't like 80%. Before the press conference on Measures 82 and 83 (the casino), a member announced to all within earshot, "80% of the information on the website is wrong." I knew there were likely errors, but 80%? She was adamant on the amount. I make my share of typos, but it turned out that I had been sent the wrong phone number for the rental agent of the Grange where the press conference was held.

With social media, some may contend that we no longer need the website. According to Slimstat, the leading statistics plugin for WordPress, 893 computers accessed our website in the 30 days between April 19 and May 18, 2018. 487 of these computers were new visitors, i.e., they had not visited our website since September 2017. Most viewed two pages. Our most popular pages remain:

Find a Grange:	15%
Event Calendar	6%
What is the Grange?	6%
Alphabetical Listing of Granges	3%

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Contact Us	3%
State Grange Information	3%

As technology changes, our website needs to keep pace. That's why it is time for me to move on and let someone with up-to-date skills and training take over.

Thanks to all who have sent event flyers for the calendar, let me know of meeting date and time changes, and graciously pointed out errors.

*Marilyn*

### **Grange Promotions and Connections**

Our team works closely with the Oregon State Grange office and state committee directors. In the last year we provided support for both the GrangeUp and Grange Connections programs. We participated in developing these internal promotions that have caused a buzz in Grange halls around our state and led to new membership growth that we haven't seen in decades. Our team created print materials and training tools for the rollout of these programs to our members. We enjoy sharing our talents for the betterment of the Grange. We also appreciate connecting with so many of our members throughout the year.

Marilyn 'Connected' with Dorena Grange where she also collected their prize-winning Community Service Book, and at Spencer Creek where she picked up the pillow Jeanne Taylor made, from the same quilt block pattern that won first prize at National Grange and included both of those objects in the Multnomah Central Library exhibit. She also visited Live Oak Grange in Jackson County, who were winners of a Grange-Up ice cream social for highest percentage of member gain in District #1. Mark visited Union Hill in Marion County and Oak Grove & Buell Granges in Polk County, having previously connected with all three in last year's Grange Up! campaign. Suzy visited Macleay, and Sarah visited Forest Grove Grange.

### **Conclusion**

There are many talented people in the Grange and we know you have knowledge and ideas that would take the work of this Team to new levels and open the minds of Community and Pomona Granges to the amazing potential that exists in their own membership and their communities. Be a part of the Communications Team and 'experiment to discover new methods...and ascertain precisely what are the elements of success!' If you or someone you know is able to volunteer skills with web design, social media, marketing, graphic design, business communications, or public relations please contact the Oregon State Grange Master. Fraternal submitted,

Oregon State Grange Communications Team

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## Community Service Committee Report

Worthy Master, officers and members of the Oregon State Grange:

Community Service is a large part of my life, after playing with my Great Grandsons and watching Hallmark love stories in the evenings. A few of my activities include: Delivering "Love Food Baskets" to those in need; supporting the local Food Bank; helping the homeless teens that are surfing from couch to couch just to make it through school; taking the plunge for Special Olympics in support of young kids and adults with special needs; serving meals for the Senior Center; supporting the local fair; and working with the Grange Farm Museum.

Another very passionate project of mine, is working with my CERT group in preparedness training. I am pleased to hear that many of you have also been working on this project. Six years ago, I became interested in how the Grange can help with Disaster Planning. I felt very strongly that the Granges were in the ideal locations to be of help to their communities and we wanted to hear more. I think we now have the attention of some of our Emergency Management folks and our county officials. It has been mandated that every county in Oregon has a disaster plan. My county is including plans that involves the Granges helping out. I encourage each of you to push your county to be involved in their plan. Stop by the Community Service table at our tradeshow event and visit with my friend Vincent Aarts, the Emergency Manager for Clatsop County.

The **Annual Community Service Report** is very important. 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. So, we need to continue to show that we are in compliance and doing a good job of tracking our volunteer hours. Yes, I read **all** of the reports. From your Community Service Reports and your wonderful articles in the Grange Bulletin most of you are working hard in your communities and I want to thank you for taking your part. But I am sure there are busy Granges that are not reporting the great work they are doing. You all should be proud of the work you are doing for your community.

The Oregon State Grange receives prize money (\$250) from the National Grange, IF 25% of Granges send in their Community Service reports. All participating Granges will receive a recognition certificate for submitting an Annual Report. And **YES** we did make our 25% plus. Thank-you.

The first-place winner of the **Community Service Yearbook** will be sent to National Grange. The book should include pictures, documentation and/or news articles showing your Grange projects for the past year. If you did not do a Yearbook this year, I encourage you to visit the Community Service area during State Session.

The **Volunteer of the Year** program needs to be stepped up. I know we have a lot more outstanding volunteers in our Granges. Now is the time to identify the person you will nominate for next year's Volunteer of the Year.

**Firefighter, Law Enforcement Officer and Teacher of the Year Award** is a National Grange program and I had one application this year from Enterprise Grange #489. The winning Grange will be announced and presented with a certificate at the State Grange Convention.



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We all have one or more of these public officials in our community so I encourage you to plan an event around your Grange meeting or your Grange month event.

A **BIG THANK YOU** 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 the message from the State Grange Connections program. I know a few of them stepped out of their “comfort zone” to reach this objective. I am very **PROUD** of them all.

District 1: Darlene Anderson, Deer Creek Grange #371

District 2: Cookie Trupp, Spencer Creek Grange #855

District 3: Cindy Becker, Warren Grange #536

District 4: Cathy Assad, Redland Grange #796

District 5: Louise Holst, Midland Grange #781

District 6: Debbie deBoer, Boulevard Grange #389

This year will be my last year as your Community Service Director. I truly hope the next person taking this position loves working in the community as I do.

Fraternally,  
Eva Frost, OSG CS Director

### Community Service Awards

**Volunteer of the Year Award:** Malcomb Trupp from Spencer Creek #855

**Firefighter of the Year Awards:**

William Fuller – nominated by Enterprise Grange

Darren Bucich – nominated by Walterville Grange

**Community Service Yearbook Winners:** *first place winner will be sent to National Grange*

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dorena #835	\$100
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Spencer Creek #855	\$75
3 <sup>rd</sup>	London #937	\$50
4 <sup>th</sup>	Lorane #54	\$25

From the **Annual Community Service Reports**, we had 130,490 volunteer hours donated by 942 Grange members. The Oregon State Grange receives prize money (\$250) from the National Grange, IF 25% of Granges send in their Community Service reports. And **YES**, we did make our 25% and plus. 65 Granges sent in reports.

### Deaf Awareness and Family Health Committee Report

Entering summer 2018 with two years of experience as an OSG director, I’m struck by how hard it’s been to focus this committee’s efforts on any one area of health and community education. While there seems to be no shortage of information on any health issue we face, our ability to take care of ourselves and those who need us isn’t getting any better because of it. Our rates of self-destructive behavior when it comes to food, recreation, and relationships are dangerously high. Apparently, information isn’t the whole answer when it comes to family health.

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As so often happens, the advice the Grange has offered for over 150 years is just as relevant today: "We must avoid intemperance in eating, drinking, and language, also in work and recreation." This healthy balance must be taught and developed in our children and encouraged at every age.

Computers have transformed how we deal with health issues, not only for laypeople with access to WebMD but for our doctors and other providers who can share medical records in real time and constantly update their knowledge base for our benefit. Kudos to our National Grange for its work in making the Internet functionally available to all rural Americans, which is key for equal access to education, social connections, competitive shopping options, and particularly health care.

Meanwhile, individual Granges are throwing support lifelines to things that have local importance in their communities. Cuddle cots, veteran appreciation gestures large and small, free Zumba lessons -- the work we're doing is impressive. Thank you for doing it and thank you even more for sharing articles with the Bulletin. It's another way we "incite one another to good works," as the Overseer advises in the Fifth Degree.

I've had the pleasure of visiting a few Grange meetings in the course of making Grange Connections. As more and more Granges move away from the structure of opening and closing full form, please consider this nugget: Singing together promotes wellness. Not just woo-woo wellness arising from a positive and life-affirming message in a song -- although that's truly beneficial as well -- but increased oxygen intake and exercise of the mouth, throat, and lungs. Singing a familiar song, even when you need help remembering the words, is good mental exercise, too. So, keep your Grange singing and be healthy together. My sincere thanks to Lynn Johnson, Doris Thurston, Sen Speroff, Genie Harden, and most recently Darlene McDonnell for serving as District Chairs.

Peggy Jillson,  
DAFH Director

## **Education Committee Report**

I have enjoyed my time as education director and attempting to bring relevant information to grange members. I never figured out how to get timely information from subordinate granges to myself for inclusion in the bulletin or this report. I know granges all over the state are giving out scholarships, volunteering in school, doing words for thirds and other such activities.

For education in Oregon half the work is getting the right balance of money from the legislature and figuring out how to keep costs down. The major percent of the money in any school budget is people. The major cost of people are PERS and health insurance both of which have risen over the last few years. I do not want this to sound like a knock on PERS it is an important piece for all public workers, I just want is to be solvent for future workers and overcome past spending decisions. Healthcare costs are never an easy issue to solve and I will leave it at that. The major hurdle that I have heard of in the state in getting k-12 students where they need to be when they graduate is the length of the school year.

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Over the span of a student's time in Oregon schools they lose an average of at least one year over the national average. If we want to get the "Get Oregonized" book into classrooms we must convince schools to add this as a textbook for those classes already teaching Oregon History.

I have decided to not continue as education director, but I will always enjoy the dialog within the grange over education. One of the best quotes I have heard was like this. "Education is one of the only things that we all agree on the goal, we just fight over how to get there."

Fraternally yours  
Lyle Utt

## Grange Workers Activities (GWA) Committee Report

Dear Brother and Sisters of the Grange,

I have enjoyed serving as your GWA director this past year. I and the District Chairmen promoted the Connection program by visiting Granges in their districts. It is always nice to visit Granges and see what our members are doing for our communities and what they are doing to beautify the Grange halls and grounds. I traveled to Spokane, Washington for the National Grange Convention and Oregon can be proud of the quilt blocks they entered in the National Quilt Contest. There were over 300 squares submitted throughout the nation. The contest area of GWA is a large part of the program. I always look for sponsors and new contests. This year the Parker family developed contests for Dried foods, Sugar-free baked items, jams, jellies and canned fruit. Other new contests are Woodcraft larger than 12 inches sponsored by John and Peggy Fine, Hand-Dipped Chocolates sponsored by Catherine Johnston.

Amalgamated Sugar (White Satin) has been a supporter of GWA for over 70 years. This year I will present them with a plaque to recognize their support. I know everyone likes getting a bag of either white or brown sugar at our conference and luncheon.

Thank you to Susan Dumolt and Sally Clute for their support of the GWA program. This year their focus was the Junior Department. They designed earrings with the red shoe to support the juniors. Riley Reynolds our National Junior Ambassador presented a program for Junior passport.

GWA scholarship winners are Mary Mitchelldyer of Abernathy Grange #346 and Tina J. Parker of Springwater Grange #263.

I want to thank Eva Frost from District #3 for her help in obtaining judges for our contests. I want to thank the District Chairmen for their support for the GWA program and visiting Granges when asked. Thank you, ladies, for all your hard work during convention.

The district chairmen are:

District #1-----Linda Pugh  
District #2-----Liz Dehne  
District #3-----Julie Schnetzky  
District #4-----Leila Dumolt

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District #5-----Darlene McDonald  
District #6-----Joanne McBride  
At Large-----Diane Parrott

Fraternally,  
Margaret Clute, OSG GWA Director

### GWA Contest Winners

**Junior Drop Cookies** (No peanut butter or chocolate chips)

*Sponsor: Linda Pugh*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Evan Torres, Hurricane Creek #608

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Taylor Elliott, Ada #570

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Terry Elliott, Ada #570

*Sponsor: Greenacres #834*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Peanut Butter Candy**

*Sponsor: Goshen #561*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Junior Bar Cookies**

*Sponsor: Linda Pugh*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Terry Elliott, Ada #570

**Drop Cookies**

*Sponsor: Dorena #835*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Maxine Smith, Lacombe #907

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Shirley Gilman, Redland #796

**Bar Cookies**

*Sponsor: Jasper #532*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Chocolate Chip Cookies**

*Sponsor: Beaver Creek #276*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Patty Bunch, Central Point #698

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Alexandra Herriera-Clark, Fairfield #720

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Peanut Butter Cookies**

*Sponsor: Greenacres #834*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Maxine Smith, Lacombe #907

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Unbaked (skillet) Cereal or Made in Pan Cookies**

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**Candy ~ Fudge** (No peanut butter)  
*Sponsor: Beverly Doescher*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Candy ~ Divinity** (No peanut butter)  
*Sponsor: Beverly Doescher*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Candy ~ Peanut Brittle** (No peanut butter)  
*Sponsor: Beverly Doescher*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Hand-Dipped Chocolates**  
*Sponsor: Catherine Johnston*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Sweet Rolls**  
*Sponsor: Clarkes #261*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$10, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Muffins** (Any kind of muffin)  
*Sponsor: Clarkes #261*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$10, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$7, Patty Bunch, Central Point #698  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Linda Pugh, Ada #570

**Gluten-Free Baked Item**  
*Sponsor: Mary and Robert Parrott*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$10, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$7, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Heather Elliott, Ada #570

**Sugar-Free Baked Item**  
*Sponsor: Parker Family*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Patty Bunch, Central Point #698  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Fruit or Vegetable Bread** (No yeast breads)  
*Sponsor: Margaret Clute*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$10, Linda Pugh, Ada #570  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$7, Terry Honn, Parkdale #500  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Cupcake Challenge**  
*Sponsor: Susan Noah*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Decorated Cake**  
*Sponsor: Linda Helm*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**"What To Do With Worn Out Jeans"**  
*Sponsor: Sunnyside #842*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Susan McDonald, Pacific #413  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Vickie Cunningham, Fairfield #720  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Loren Vernoy, Non-member

**Jewelry**  
*Sponsor: Irving #377*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Angelica Herrera-Clark, Fairfield #720  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Barbara Hicks, Eagle Creek #297  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Debbi deBoer, Boulevard #389

**Pin Cushion**  
*Sponsor: Linda Pugh*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$10, Tracy Flaigg-Fairless, Pacific #413  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$8, Terry Honn, Parkdale #500  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Paper Craftsmanship: Cards**  
*Sponsor: Clarkes #261*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Lisa Paullin-Anzaldua, Abernethy #346  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Ruth Graham, Tigard #148  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Loren Vernoy, Non-member

**Paper Craftsmanship: Quilling**  
*Sponsor: Clarkes #261*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Barbara Hicks, Eagle Creek #297  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Alicia Nilsen, Goshen #561

**Other Paper Crafts**  
*Sponsor: Clarkes #261*  
1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Sue Dumolt, Clarkes #261  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Geraldine Gruchalla, Clarkes #261  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Barbara Hicks, Eagle Creek #297

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### **Small Wooden Articles**

*Sponsor: Phyllis Wilson*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Howard Huey, Abernathy #346  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$10, Lauri Williams, Non-member

### **Woodcraft**

*Sponsor: John and Peggy Fine*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Howard Huey, Abernathy #346  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Hank Wilt, Non-member  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$10, Robert Parrott, Parkdale #500

### **Metal Art**

*Sponsor: Phil Van Buren*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$50, Hank Wilt, Non-member  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$30, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$20, Tina Parker, Springwater #263

### **Recycle**

*Sponsor: Hurricane Creek #608*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Geri Gruchalla, Clarkes #261  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Loren Vernoy, Non-member  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Susan McDonald, Pacific #413

### **"Potluck"**

*Sponsor: Joanne McBride*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Alma Beaumont, Lacombe #907  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Barbara Hicks, Eagle Creek #297  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Elizabeth Keller, Russellville #353

### **Bailey's Good Dog Gift Package**

*Sponsor: Susan and Mark Noah*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Shirley Gilman, Redland #796  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Darlene McDonnell, Little Deschutes #939  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

### **Here Kitty Gift Bag**

*Sponsor: Tom Sawyer & Huck Finn (Parrott Family)*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Shirley Gilman, Redland #796  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Mary Parrott, Parkdale #500  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$15, Linda Litts, Goshen #561

### **Jam ~ Any Fruit Other than Berry**

*Sponsor: Phoenix #779*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Tina Parker, Springwater #263

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Jim Dumolt, Clarkes #261

### **Jam ~ Berry Only**

*Sponsor: Phoenix #779*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Cynthia Weber, Pacific #413  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

### **Jam ~ Sugar-Free**

*Sponsor: Parker Family*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5 Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263

### **Jelly ~ Any Fruit Other than Berry**

*Sponsor: Marilyn Reiher*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Cynthia Weber, Pacific #413  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Marilyn Van Natta, Fern Hill #592  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Jessica Vilhauer, Beaver Valley #306

### **Jelly ~ Berry Only**

*Sponsor: Marilyn Reiher*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Linda Pugh, Ada #570  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Jim Dumolt, Clarkes #261  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3 Terry Honn, Parkdale #500

### **Fruit Butter**

*Sponsor: Goshen #561*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Dorothy Key, Goshen #561  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

### **Pickles ~ Dill (cucumber only)**

*Sponsor: Springwater #263*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sharon Tracy, Beaver Valley #306  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Larry Farnsworth, Beaver Valley #306

### **Pickles ~ Bread & Butter (cucumber only)**

*Sponsor: Springwater #263*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

### **Pickles ~ Relishes (any mixture of vegetables)**

*Sponsor: Springwater #263*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sharon Tracy, Beaver Valley #306  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263

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**Pickles ~ Miscellaneous (any pickle other cucumber)**

*Sponsor: Springwater #263*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Jim Dumolt, Clarkes #261  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Shirley Gilman, Redland #796  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Canned Meats or Fish**

*Sponsor: Goshen #561*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Larry Farnsworth, Beaver Valley #306  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sharon Tracy, Beaver Valley #306  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Terry Honn, Parkdale #500

**Canned Vegetable ~ Beets**

*Sponsor: Margaret Clute*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sharon Tracy, Beaver Valley #306  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Julie Plummer, Beaver Valley #306

**Canned Vegetable ~ Tomatoes**

*Sponsor: Margaret Clute*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263

**Canned Vegetable ~ Other**

*Sponsor: Margaret Clute*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sharon Tracy, Beaver Valley #306

**Canned Fruit ~ Peaches**

*Sponsor: Marilyn Reiher*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Dorothy Key, Goshen #561

**Canned Fruit ~ Pears**

*Sponsor: Marilyn Reiher*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Terry Honn, Parkdale #500  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Dorothy Key, Goshen #561

**Canned Fruit ~ Applesauce**

*Sponsor: Marilyn Reiher*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Marilyn Van Natta, Fern Hill #592  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Tracy Flaigg-Fairless, Pacific #413

**Canned Fruit Sugar-Free ~ any fruit**

*Sponsor: Parker Family*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263

**Dried Foods ~ Fruit**

*Sponsor: Parker Family*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5 Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Tina Parker, Springwater #263

**Dried Foods ~ Vegetables**

*Sponsor: Parker Family*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Tina Parker, Springwater #263  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$3, Dorothy Key, Goshen #561

**Dried Foods ~ Jerky**

*Sponsor: Parker Family*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Tina Parker, Springwater #263

**Dried Foods ~ Fruit Leather**

*Sponsor: Parker Family*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Tina Parker, Springwater #263  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263

**Dried Foods ~ Herbs**

*Sponsor: Parker Family*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$5, Tina Parker, Springwater #263  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$4, Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263

**National Grange Quilt Blocks**

**Adult - Tender Heart Quilt Block**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Harriet Sparrows, Garfield #317  
2<sup>nd</sup> Claire Kellogg, Garfield #317  
3<sup>rd</sup> Yolanda Lins, Garfield #317

**Pillowcases for our Troops**

*Sponsor: Gail Wilson*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Susan Jacobs, Boulevard #389  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$10, Mary Parrott, Parkdale #500

**Crocheted Doilies**

*Sponsor: Spencer Creek #855*

- 1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Myra Boyd, Riversdale #731  
2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Anna Massingham, Jasper #532  
3<sup>rd</sup>: \$10, Tracy Flaigg-Fairless, Pacific #413

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**Premie Afghan & Hat ~ Crocheted or Knitted**

*Sponsor: Jan Oleson*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Lisa Pavllin-Anzaldua, Abernethy #346

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Anna Massingham, Jasper #532

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$10, Agnes Snauer, Dorena #835

**Crocheted or Knitted Afghan**

*Sponsor: Parrott Family*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Darlene Stephens, Hurricane Creek #608

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, John Fine, Riversdale #731

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$10, Elvaree Fine, Hurricane Creek #608

**Miscellaneous Crocheted or Knitted Items**

*Sponsor: Malcolm and Cookie Trupp*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Cherie Maurice, Greenacres #834

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Myra Boyd, Riversdale #731

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$10, Darlene Stephens, Hurricane Creek #608

**Table Runner**

*Sponsor: Ada #570*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$25, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$15, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Embroidery**

*Sponsor: Julie Schnetzky*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Doris Reid, Columbia #867

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Counted Cross Stitch**

*Sponsor: Parkdale #500*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Dale Worthington, Pacific #413

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Nadine Reed, Jasper #532

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Susan McDonald, Pacific #413

**Plastic Canvas**

*Sponsor: Beavercreek #276*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Robert Parrott, Parkdale #500

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

**Quillow**

*Sponsor: Forest Grove #282*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Apron ~ Juniors**

*Sponsor: Marilyn Reiher*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Alli Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Aprons ~ Adult**

*Sponsor: Beavercreek #276*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, JaDala Coyle, Lacombe #907

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Jeannie Alford, Hurricane Creek #607

**Hot Pad or Mitt ~ Crocheted or Knitted**

*Sponsor: Bailey Noah*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Nadine Reid, Jasper #532

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Myra Boyd, Riversdale #731

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Elvaree Fine, Hurricane Creek #608

**Hot Pad or Mitt ~ Any Kind of Fabric**

*Sponsor: Bailey Noah*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

**Purses and Totes**

*Sponsor: Malcolm and Cookie Trupp*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Sue Dumolt, Clarkes #261

3<sup>rd</sup>: \$5, Susan McDonald, Pacific #413

**Baby Quilt ~ Machine Quilted by One**

*Sponsor: Sauvies Island #840*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Jennifer Alford, Hurricane Creek #608

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Baby Quilt ~ Tied by One**

*Sponsor: Sauvies Island #840*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

2<sup>nd</sup>: \$10, Nadine Telschow, Fairfield #720

**Embroidered Baby Quilt**

*Sponsor: Walterville #416*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Quilts ~ Machine Quilted by One**

*Sponsor: Siletz Valley #558*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Cathy Mann, Greenacres #834



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**Quilts ~ Tied by One or Group**  
*Sponsor: Siletz Valley #558*

1<sup>st</sup>: \$15, Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

## 2018 Junior Contest Winners

**Photography:** What Life Means to You

1<sup>st</sup> Jade Naylor, Clarkes Grange

2<sup>nd</sup> Jade Naylor, Clarkes Grange

3<sup>rd</sup> Jade Naylor, Clarkes Grange

**Talent**

Vocal 1<sup>st</sup> Delilah Lantz, Mohawk-McKenzie Grange

### 1+ Junior Members as of December 31, 2017

County	Grange	# of Members
<b>Benton</b>	Fairmount #252	2
	Mary's River #685	1
<b>Clackamas</b>	Boring-Damascus #260	2
	Clarkes #261	1
	Molalla #310	1
	Warner #117	3
<b>Columbia</b>	Vernonia #305	2
	Warren #536	4
<b>Deschutes</b>	Terrebonne #663	2
<b>Douglas</b>	Riversdale #731	2
<b>Hood River</b>	Rockford #501	4
<b>Josephine</b>	Deer Creek #371	12
	Illinois Valley #370	1
<b>Lane</b>	Ada #570	3
	Crow #450	1
	Goshen #561	3
	Goldson #868	4
	Irving #377	1
	London #939	7
	Thurston #853	3
Walterville #416	3	
<b>Linn</b>	Morning Star #309	1

	Santiam Valley #828	1
<b>Marion</b>	Fairfield #720	2
	Macleay #293	3
<b>Multnomah</b>	Columbia #267	1
<b>Umatilla</b>	Columbia #867	3
	White Eagle	1
<b>Wallowa</b>	Hurricane Creek #608	3
	North End #820	5
<b>Washington</b>	Dixie Mountain #860	1
	Kinton #562	2
	Leedy #339	3
	Tigard #148	1
<b>Total 1+ Junior Members in Oregon</b>		<b>89</b>

## Lecturer's Contest Winners

### Talent

#### *Vocal*

- 1st Sarah Kingsborough, Sandlake #546
- 2nd Alexa Suing, Crow #450

1st Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263

2nd Mary Parrott, Parkdale #500

3rd Heather Elliot, Ada #570

### Overall Winner

**Sarah Kingsborough, Sandlake #546**

### Art

#### *Acrylics and Oils*

- 1st Ann Rawlins, Mohawk-Mckenzie #747
- 2nd Tracy Flaigg-Fairless, Pacific #413
- 3rd Heather Elliott, Ada #570

#### *Watercolors*

- 1st Alicia Nilsen, Goshen#561

#### *Pen and Ink*

- 1st Alicia Nilsen, Goshen #561
- 2nd Lavonna Appletree, Goshen #561
- 3rd Emily Blankenship, Goshen #561

### Photography

#### *Scenic*

- 1st Vldn Taylor, non-member sponsored by Abernethy #346
- 2nd Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263
- 3rd Mary Parrott, Parkdale #500

#### *Close Ups*

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### *Family*

- 1st Heather Elliot, Ada #570
- 2nd Loni Schofield, Ada #570
- 3rd Heather Noble, Macleay #293

### *Pets/Farm Animals*

- 1st Alayna Roberts, non-member
- 2nd Megan Schofield, Ada #570
- 3rd Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

### *Wild Animals*

- 1st Linda Litts, Goshen #561
- 2nd Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720
- 3rd Emily Blankenship, Goshen #561

### *Oldies/Goodies*

- 1st Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263
- 2nd Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263
- 3rd Roger Fiscus, Fairfield #720

### *Grange Activities*

- 1st Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500
- 2nd Loni Schofield, Ada #570

### *Holidays – no entries*

### *Potpourri*

- 1st Laren Vernoy, Fairfield #720
- 2nd Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263
- 3rd Diane Parrott, Parkdale #500

### *Black and White*

- 1st Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263
- 2nd Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263
- 3rd Debbie Fiscus, Fairfield #720

**Best of Show - Linda Litts, Goshen #561**

### **Flyer**

#### *Handmade*

- 1st Alicia Nilsen, Goshen #561

#### *Computer Generated*

- 1st Elizabeth Williams, Fairmount #252
- 2nd Suzy Ramm, Springwater #263
- 3rd Linda Wetzell, Creswell #496

### **Poster**

#### *Handmade*

- 1st Lavonna Appletree, Goshen #496
- 2nd Alicia Nilsen, Goshen #496

### **Pamphlet**

#### *Computer Generated*

- 1st Tracy Flaigg-Fairless, Pacific

### **Program**

- 1st Cookie Trupp, Spencer Creek #855
- 2nd Loni Schofield, Ada #570

### **Pen in Hand**

#### *Poetry*

- 1st Cathy Assad, Redland #796
- 2nd Heather Elliott, Ada #570
- 3rd Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

#### *Tell the Story*

- 1st David Wilson, Greenacres #834
- 2nd Sara Wilson, Columbia #867
- 3rd Alicia Nilsen, Goshen #561

### **Skit Writing**

#### *Humorous*

- 1st Sara Wilson, Columbia #867

## **Legislative Committee Report**

The committee for 2017-18 has been Harold Johnson, District 1; Martin McClure, District 2; Orrin Schnetzky, District 3; Don Kingsborough, District 4; Dean High, District 5 and Scot Jacobson, District 6. During the 2017 full session of the Oregon legislature we were represented by lobbyist Craig Loughridge, but he was unable to continue past the end of the year. Don Kingsborough recommended Springwater Grange member John DeHaas and John was appointed as OSG lobbyist at about the same time the Oregon Legislature met for the off-year short session this February. The Oregon State Grange can look forward to a productive and informative 2019 legislative session with John watching out for our interests in Salem.

This year's short session turned out to be a very short session indeed, and the few highlights included passage of a firearms bill that expanded the number of domestic violence abusers

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who are prohibited from owning a firearm; laws requiring more transparency in drug pricing and the operations of coordinated care organizations (CCOs); approval of funding to hire 200 more child services caseworkers at the Department of Human Services; and an adjustment to Oregon's taxes to update connections to the federal tax code to offset a change at the federal level that would have hurt Oregon disproportionately compared to other states because in the absence of a sales tax we rely more heavily on income tax for state revenues. Some said this last item imposed a new tax, others said it simply cancelled out a federal tax break that would have caused a major hurt in Oregon's budget.

As a result of a resolution passed by the delegates at the 2016 state session that created a 10-year sunset rule for OSG legislative policies, the 2017 delegates were tasked with the first major review of our legislative policy handbook in a long time. A significant number of older resolutions were reaffirmed by delegate action but many more were eliminated. This was a positive step to keep our policies relevant and at least somewhat focused. A much smaller batch of resolutions is set to expire at this 2018 convention unless positive action is taken to reaffirm them. We hope all delegates have reviewed the Oregon State Grange legislative policy handbook (available at the OSG website) with a view towards consideration of these sunset resolutions.

2018-19 will be a busier term for the OSG Legislative Committee. Planning needs to start soon for Grange Day at the legislature in March or April; also, cooperative planning with the Agriculture Committee for the biennial beef BBQ luncheon at the capitol building. And of course, we need to focus our attention on the legislative activities of the full session in 2019. Our Oregon State Grange legislative 'policies' are simply a collection of resolutions from years gone by, some more relevant than others and in no order of priority or significance. We should provide our lobbyist John DeHaas with clear direction as to how his limited time may best be used on our behalf. The National Grange develops annual policy statements summarizing their positions on current issues that are priorities, or that are expected to come before Congress. Oregon should do the same.

Don Kingsborough deserves special recognition for the level of legislative interest and activity he has encouraged and facilitated at Warner Grange and in Clackamas County. Don regularly organizes issue and candidate forums and is an effective communicator and networker. These types of activities inform us and bring people with differing viewpoints together as members of the same organization and community and show us that we all have much more in common than politics might lead us to believe. This committee is here to help Granges organize these types of events by providing advice, direction and support, and we have a successful example to follow in Don. Call your local District Director for more information.

Committees exist at the State Grange level to help organize and facilitate the activities of the subordinate/community/Pomona Granges, to serve as resources for them, and to proactively develop new ways for Granges to interact with their members and with their communities. The Legislative Committee highlights and promotes Grange policy within our organization and the larger community and we try to keep Grangers up to date on the activities of government. Equally important is our role in helping Granges develop or revise policies by raising awareness of available resources in government and in the Grange at every level. There are state and federal bill-tracking websites that make following an issue easy, and your legislative committee is available to come and assist your Grange with the steps for writing a resolution for the state

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Grange session or for an issue in your local community. Our goal is to keep Grangers connected to and actively involved with government; working together, we can do great things!

'Decisions are made by those who show up.' That line has been attributed to everyone from Ben Franklin to Josiah Bartlett (on the TV show The West Wing) and it applies well to Grangers, especially to Legislative committees at every level who are working to get people involved in the process. Be proud of the fact that you belong to an organization of people who show up!

Mark Noah, Director  
Oregon State Grange Legislative Committee

## Membership Committee Report

Dear Grange Friends,

Grange Up'17 was a success! 733 new members were brought into our Order. After some losses we ended up with a net gain of 213! That's 213 more than we had before Grange Up'17 began. Great job everyone! Now is the time to keep the momentum going. "Grange Connections" does just that. It's important to CONNECT with Grangers in your own Grange. Get together to brainstorm activities, events that your Grange would like to accomplish? This can be done at Grange Officer's Meetings, Lecturer's Programs, or by emailing all members on your Membership List to get feedback. Your Grange should have a copy of "The Sea of Possibilities" booklet that gives your Grange ideas of many kinds of activities/events (Fundraisers, Fun, and Community Service type) and how to plan for them. It is a very valuable resource so take advantage of it and put it into action! The events or activities you promote will CONNECT your Grange with the community. We want the word Grange to be a Verb not just a Noun! Verbs are action words!! We LOVE hearing nonmembers say, "Oh, that building that's always busy?" instead of "We hardly ever see anyone at that hall." Let's strive to make our Grange's VERBS!!

This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year that the State Membership Committee collaborated with the Lecturer's Department to again sale calendars as a fundraising project. Photos from the 2017 Lecturer's Photography Contest were selected to use for the 2018 calendars. Big thanks go to Cat Thomas for again getting this calendar to production. It is a huge job and we can't thank her enough. Special thanks also goes to those who allowed us to use their photo for the calendar. Sales were down this year, but each committee still received a little over \$350.00. It was suggested to possibly forgo printing a 2019 calendar and instead use pictures from this year's Photography Contest to then use for a 2020 calendar. This would give more time to sell the calendars as they could start to be sold at the 2019 OSG Convention. This decision will be up to the new Lecturer's and Membership Departments. Many thanks to those Grangers and Granges that have supported this fundraiser. The money raised helps with the cost of printing the calendar and for sending our Talent winner(s) to perform at the National Grange Evening of Excellence every November.

Jeff Dehne, District #2 Membership Committee Chairman attended the Western Regional Conference in Los Angeles, CA last August. He attended some very informative workshops.

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Many of us on the State Membership Committee worked one or more shifts at the Log Cabin at the State Fair. It is a great opportunity to CONNECT with nonmembers and share with them what the Grange is all about.

Last September Sandi attended the Friday evening and Saturday morning session of the Director's Retreat in Lincoln City, Oregon as Bob was having health issues. Lots of discussion revolved around GrangeUp" 17 and how the State Grange Leadership Team could help Granges keep the gain in membership growth going? Hence, "Grange Connections" was launched the beginning of 2018.

The State FFA Convention was held March 24-25, 2018 at the Deschutes County Fairground in Redmond, Oregon. We again were delighted to have help manning the Grange booth from members of Terrebonne Grange (Myrna and Keith Colvin, Veronica Ford, Teresa Brott, and Mary Brott) as well as from Susan and Mark Noah and Sandi Ludi. It is fun speaking to FFA members about how the Grange is similar to FFA and how it can play a part in their lives once they aren't an FFA member anymore. Our hope is that a seed is planted that hopefully will come to fruition in the near future.

Ag Fest was held April 28-29, 2018 at the State Fairgrounds in Salem, Oregon. Special thanks to Jeff Dehne for helping set up the Membership table. We also want to thank those Grangers who volunteered to help promote the Grange that weekend—Bob Ludi, Jeff and Liz Dehne, Sally Clute, Riley and Tina Reynolds, Dan LeBrun, and Katrina Bowser. It is always a very well attended event.

Our goal as OSG membership Co-Director's was to provide ways to promote the Grange and to provide items that have the word Grange on them to take or wear in public. Encouraging members to share their Grange story or what they like about the Grange and making Grangers feel more comfortable asking nonmembers to join the Grange. Remember the slogan— "Just Ask." You may hear several No's before hearing a "Yes!" Don't be discouraged. Hope and Persevere. Those words from our degree work are so relevant today. Keep persevering to GROW our Grange membership.

Our State Membership Committee met 4 times this past year. Each committee member reports how their district is doing membership wise. Many Granges have been visited by them and they have also been connecting with Granges to promote "Grange Connections." We as Co-Directors have been blessed to be able to work with such a great group of hard-working team members. Recognition goes to District #1 Jill Hamm, District #2 Jeff Dehne, District #3 Sam Keator, District #4 Linda Short, District #5 Myrna Colvin, District #6 Derrell and Clarann Witty, and Member at Large Cat Thomas. It has been a pleasure and an honor to have them on our team. Thank you all for your dedication to our order. All of you have helped to make our job so much easier and a lot more fun!!

We want to thank our Oregon State Grange Master, Susan Noah for her leadership and trusting us to fulfill her vision for Membership Growth and Development in Oregon. Your support has truly been appreciated and welcomed. We have grown to be better ambassadors for the Grange.

It has been a privilege serving as Oregon State Grange Membership Co-Directors for the past 6 years. We have had so many wonderful opportunities to promote the Grange. A special highlight was being able to attend conferences at several Granges around the state with our

past National Leadership/Membership Directors Michael Martin and Joe Stefenoni. They inspired us to go outside of the box and look deeper inside ourselves to make Grange fun and more inviting to nonmembers. Instead of asking Why? to Why not? To change the idea of—" We have always done it that way" to " Let's try it this way?" Change our attitude of saying "We have to go to Grange tonight" to " We get to go to Grange tonight!" Our attitude about Grange needs to be positive otherwise who wants to belong to a negative organization? Food for thought—What is your reflection of the Grange to others?

We want to wish the new Membership Director, David McBride well as he continues the journey to promote membership growth for the state of Oregon. Our hope is that he will enjoy the ride as much as we have.

Thank you, members of the Oregon State Grange, for your support and guidance and for the opportunity to serve in such a meaningful capacity.

Fraternally,  
 Sandi and Bob Ludi,  
 OSG Membership Committee Co-Directors

### 2017 Oregon State Grange Membership Awards

Highest % Gain	New Bridge #789	Baker Co.	105% Gain
Second Highest % Gain	Siletz Valley #558	Lincoln Co.	90% Gain
Third Highest % Gain	Salmon River #516	Lincoln Co.	85% Gain
Fourth Highest % Gain	Leedy #339	Washington Co.	70% Gain

These Granges had a 15% gain or higher in membership:

North End #820	Wallowa Co.	70% gain
Live Oak #655	Jackson Co.	66% gain
Brownsmead #822	Clatsop Co.	61% gain
Macleay #293	Marion Co.	61% gain
Goshen #561	Lane Co.	60% gain
Fort Union #953	Union Co.	60% gain
Creswell #496	Lane Co.	53% gain
Quincy #321	Columbia Co.	52% gain
Mary's River #685	Benton Co.	51% gain
Netel #410	Clatsop Co.	50% gain
Hope #269	Benton Co.	46% gain
Missouri Flat #612	Baker Co.	42% gain
Fern Hill #592	Columbia Co.	40% gain
Gresham #270	Multnomah Co.	40% gain
Silverton #748	Marion Co.	38% gain
Scholls #338	Washington Co.	38% gain
Hurricane Creek #608	Wallowa Co.	36% gain
McMinnville #31	Yamhill Co.	34% gain
Columbia #267	Multnomah Co.	26% gain
Maplewood #662	Clackamas Co.	25% gain
Kellogg #811	Douglas Co.	23% gain
Deer Creek #371	Josephine Co.	23% gain

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Sunnyside #842	Clackamas Co.	22% gain
Milwaukie #268	Clackamas Co.	21% gain
Mohawk-McKenzie #747	Lane Co.	18% gain
Fairview #273	Tillamook Co.	18% gain
Pacific #413	Clatsop Co.	17% gain
Wolfcreek #596	Union Co.	17% gain
Greenacres #834	Coos Co.	16% gain
Goldson #868	Lane Co.	16% gain

## Veterans Committee Report

The Grange election cycle rolls around again, and all too soon (because there is so much more we wanted to accomplish) we will be starting anew. As committee chair I would like to thank the Veterans committee:

D1	William Bill Waggoner	D4	Kim Schettig
D2	Lee Cornforth	D5	Richard McDonnell
	Howard Gabel	D6	Roger Wilson
	Mike Cantell	AL	Phil VanBuren
D3	Alan Becker	AL	Dick Wyant

for their heartfelt dedication to Veterans issues and our comrades. For several of us the spirit and mind are still willing, but the body just doesn't have the endurance that it used to. Likewise, our spouses who have encouraged us, reminded us, and made sure we were presentable, a world of thankyou's is not enough.

Throughout the state there are Granges and Grange members that have supported, encouraged, created new venues, activities, and means of support that lift Veterans up mentally, spiritually and physically. Thankyou one and all for all that you do. For the Veteran a word of encouragement, the thank you for your service, that says a Veteran's time away from home and family was effort well spent.

To all you veterans out there, not all of us were in a direct line of fire or dangerous field or occupation, and not all of us served during a "time of war" because congress passed some resolution that said so. But we all [ALL SIGNED] on the line that put our personal lives on hold, SENT US DOWN A DIFFERENT PATH, that had consequences and forever tribulations we did not understand at the time, and then when we were done, some of us came back home and continued where we left off.

Since session last year preparing for the new membership goals/activities has been top on our Master's list and the Directors has done an outstanding job with the Grange Connections program, growing the Grange is both exciting and encouraging. Granges already do so much for our Veterans by making Pillow cases, sending Christmas cards, supporting Veteran legislation, recognition on the floor, letters to Veterans from Juniors, participation in Veterans Day activities, Memorial Day, Albany Veterans Day parade and much more.

Being able to visit Granges has always been enjoyable for me, and as usual being together with old friends is an added benefit.

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James Clute, Director  
Oregon State Grange Veteran Committee

## Youth & Young Adults Committee Report

First, I would like to Thank our National Youth and Young Adults Director, Charlene Shupp Espenshade for joining us for our State Convention. We hope you have had the opportunity to meet many new Grange friends and see a little bit of our Oregon Coast.

It has truly been a pleasure to be a part of this wonderful group of Oregon Youth and Young Adults. Everything I hear about them from their own Subordinate Granges to their Pomona Granges to Grangers coming up to me at State Convention and saying what a nice, polite, and respectful group of young people we have, all of this makes me beam with joy, wanting to say "I know" with a wink, but just saying Thank You and smiling the biggest, cheesiest smile I have.

These Grangers have had a busy year.

Soon after our own State Convention in Florence we had 4 of our Youth and one of our Youth sponsored contestants made the trek to Buena Park, California for Western Regional Conference. We were pleased to have Jessie Jo Guttridge and Gracie Hays compete in the Jeopardy Challenge. We also had a 3rd surprise contestant, our JR Ambassador, Riley Reynolds. He is going to catch these Youth soon with his Grange knowledge. The overall winner was Jessie Jo Guttridge, for the 2nd year in a row, and she had the privilege to compete at national Convention in November. We also had Alex Coe from Phoenix Grange join the group as they all participated in a community service conference and they all came up with ways to help our homeless (young and old). Suzy Ramm was also part of this group as she performed her "Radio Spot", did very well, winning her contest as "Best of Show" and also had the opportunity to travel to National Convention in Spokane. Congrats to all of you. I know you had a little fun too, something about Knotts Berry Farm...

So many of our Youth take part in their own County fairs and community festivals during the summer and we try to highlight as many as we can get photos and articles from, hint, hint...

I appreciate everyone who took time out of their busy week to come up and work in the Log Cabin during the Oregon State Fair. Not only did we have a full group help on the "Youth Day" but some also helped with shifts during the week. it is so much fun to see the kids and adults alike come in to the log cabin and get to talk to them about the Grange and possibly show them how to play Grange Corn Hole.

Among the 60 plus Grangers from Oregon that came up to National Convention in Spokane Washington in November were 4 very special Grangers.

Jessie Jo Guttridge was chosen as the John Trimble Legislative Experience recipient. She sat in with Legislative Director Burton Ehler and talked in committee and in session on quite a few resolutions. This very capable Granger is going places. Maggie Swartzendruber was chosen Lady Assistant Steward for the National Youth Officers Corp (again). She leads her side with grace and sass and has a lot of fun doing it. Two of our State Officers, who happen to be

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Youth, assisted in exemplifying the 6th degree on Saturday Morning. Mikela Heimuller is the OSG Pomona and Lexie Suing is the OSG Steward. They show that you can be a part of the team at any age. Congrats to all of you on jobs well done.

We had a Spring Conference at Warner Grange in Clackamas County the last weekend April. We want to thank Warner Grange for hosting us and Orrin Schnetzky, Suzy Ramm, Joyce Parker, and Brenda Hoag for helping stuff all the Goodie Basket envelopes that go out to each Grange.

As we come in to this State Convention I want to thank everyone who again donated to "Keeping Oregon Warm". District # 3 will be able to donate many usable items to those in need. Thank you to all of you who donated money to purchase items for the Goodie baskets and of course to all of you who generously purchased Goodie basket Tickets. You keep our Youth and Young Adults traveling so they can shine as leaders of our group.

I want to thank my committee that keeps me on my toes with suggestions and support. They are:

Erica Anderson - District 1  
Pat Heard - District 2  
Brenda Hoag - District 3  
Joyce Parker - District 4  
Teresa Brott - District 5  
Gail Wilson - District 6

As always, remember to ask a Youth. I know they will "Be Delighted"

Fraternally submitted,  
Connie Suing  
OSG Youth/Young Adults Director

## **National Grange Youth Achievement Award Recipients**

### **William Saunders Agricultural Achievement Award**

*Entries at fairs and State Grange GWA and Lecturer's contests, serve as hosts in the Log Cabin, Ag Fest & FFA Convention*

Mary Brott - Sapphire, Emerald  
Veronica Ford - Sapphire  
Allison Forester - Sapphire  
Jessie Jo Guttridge - Sapphire, Emerald,  
Ruby  
Kara Guttridge - Emerald, Ruby  
Kendra Guttridge - Emerald, Ruby  
Briauna Herrick - Sapphire, Emerald  
Chloe Lacrosse - Sapphire, Emerald  
Payton Miller - Ruby

Mary Mitchelldyer - Emerald  
Tina Parker - Emerald  
Orrin Schnetzky - Sapphire  
Maggie Swartzendruber - Sapphire  
Austin VanHouten - Emerald, Ruby  
Elizabeth Williams - Emerald  
Morgan Eipp - Sapphire  
Kellen Pollard - Sapphire  
Jessica Fortmiller - Sapphire  
Stacy Clute - Emerald

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**John Trimble Legislative Achievement Award**

*Emerald - wrote and supported a resolution, Silver - served as delegates from their Granges to state convention.*

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Emerald, Silver  
Orrin Schnetzky - Silver  
Maggie Swartzendruber - Silver  
Elias Utt - Silver

David Wallace - Silver  
Kailey McKay - Silver  
Kiri Schnetzky - Silver  
Cole Wilson - Silver

**John Thompson Ritual Achievement Award**

*State and National Youth Officers*

Alex Coe - Gold  
Jessie Jo Guttridge - Gold  
Grace Hays - Gold  
Mikela Heimuller - Gold  
Briauna Herrick - Gold  
Payton Miller - Emerald, Gold  
Orrin Schnetzky - Gold  
Lexie Suing - Gold

Maggie Swartzendruber - Gold  
Elias Utt - Gold  
Elizabeth Williams - Gold  
Brandon Anglin - Emerald, Gold  
Courtney Croy - Gold  
Kailey McKay - Gold  
Kiri Schnetzky - Emerald, Gold  
Nicole Shattuck - Gold

**Drill Achievement Award**

*Emerald - Youth Officer opening and closing drill, Rosebud drill or Memorial Service drill team. Silver - regional youth drill team, Ruby - drill writing*

Alex Coe - Emerald  
Jessie Jo Guttridge - Sapphire, Emerald,  
Ruby  
Grace Hays - Emerald  
Mikela Heimuller - Emerald  
Briauna Herrick - Emerald  
Payton Miller - Emerald  
Orrin Schnetzky - Emerald, Ruby  
Lexie Suing - Emerald

Maggie Swartzendruber - Emerald  
Elias Utt - Emerald  
Elizabeth Williams - Emerald  
Brandon Anglin - Emerald  
Courtney Croy - Emerald  
Kailey McKay - Emerald  
Kiri Schnetzky - Emerald  
Nicole Shattuck - Emerald  
Morgan Eipp - Emerald

**Caroline A. Hall Achievement Award**

*Sapphire - Grange plays, Emerald - community service projects, Silver - Grange or community talent contests, skits, Veterans Day Parade*

Alex Coe - Emerald  
Matthew Dehne - Emerald  
Jessie Jo Guttridge - Sapphire, Emerald  
Maryann Hanks - Emerald  
Cody Hanks - Emerald  
Grace Hays - Emerald

Mikela Heimuller - Emerald  
Briauna Herrick - Emerald  
Cameron Herrick - Emerald  
Carly Itami - Emerald  
Chloe Lacrosse - Emerald  
Jacob Luttrell - Emerald

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Tyler Manthei - Emerald  
Payton Miller – Emerald  
Tina Parker - Emerald  
Brian Schofield - Emerald  
Orrin Schnetzky - Emerald  
Jennifer Souders - Sapphire, Emerald,  
Copper  
Lexie Suing - Emerald  
Maggie Swartzendruber - Emerald,  
Copper

Elias Utt - Emerald  
Austin VanHouten - Emerald  
Brandon Anglin - Emerald  
Courtney Croy - Emerald  
Kailey McKay - Silver  
Nicole Shattuck - Emerald  
Davy Jones - Emerald  
Tomy Jones - Emerald  
Stacy Clute – Emerald

### **Oliver Hudson Kelley Public Speaking Achievement Award**

*Silver - participation in State Grange public speaking contest, Ruby - participation in regional public speaking contest*

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Sapphire, Emerald  
Kara Guttridge - Sapphire

Mary Mitchelldyer - Sapphire  
Lexie Suing - Sapphire  
Stacy Clute – Emerald

### **Francis McDowell Trivia Challenge Award**

*Completion of Trivia test with at least 80% score*

Jessie Jo Guttridge

Maggie Swartzendruber

### **Aaron B. Grosh Mentoring Award**

*Ruby - Worked with Juniors at State Grange, Gold - lead Junior State Convention*

Jessie Jo Guttridge - Ruby  
Briauna Herrick - Ruby  
Payton Miller - Ruby  
Elizabeth Williams - Ruby, Gold

Kegan Williams - Ruby, Gold  
Kailey McKay - Sapphire  
Cole Wilson – Ruby

### **2016 National Grange Leadership Award for Outstanding Youth Recipients**

*Must earn Achievements awards, complete the Grange Trivia Challenge with at least 80%, serve on Grange degree team(s), participate in Grange Promotional events and demonstrate Grange leadership*

Jessie Jo Guttridge

## **Youth & Young Adult Contest Winners**

### **Grange Jeopardy**

1st: Lexie Suing, Crow

2nd: Maggie Swartzendruber, Riversdale

3rd: Grace Hays, Abernathy

4th: Cole Wilson, White Eagle

5th: Briauna Herrick, Walterville

6th: Payton Miller, Lexington

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place will represent Oregon in the Jeopardy Challenge in Olympia.

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## Prepared Public Speaking

14-21 Years of Age: 1<sup>st</sup> -Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater Grange #263

## Sign-a-Song

1<sup>st</sup>: Suzy Ramm. Springwater Grange #263; will compete at Western Regionals

## 2018-19 Oregon State Grange Youth Ambassador

Jessie Jo Guttridge, Springwater Grange #263

## Youth Goodie Basket Winners

District Basket	Winner
#1	Paula Herrick, Walterville Grange #416
#2	Paula Herrick, Walterville Grange #416
#3	Central Point Grange #698
#4	Aloha Grange #773
#5	Sunnyside Grange #842
#6	Charlotte Gray, Willamette Grange #52

## Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting - June 3, 2017

The meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Master Susan Noah. Present included Sarah Kingsborough, Celia Luttrell, Roger Wilson, Don Sether, and Jeff Dehne.

Prior meeting minutes from April 1<sup>st</sup> were read and approved.

### Financial Reports

- Celia – Current reports are in progress as we are working toward the end of our fiscal year.
- Scott Barker – Barker Wealth Advisors – Current Investment reports
  - Scott provided us with detailed reports on our current investments. Rather than the typical quarterly reports, he went into analytics on the funds that we are invested in. The funds are performing well, and have solid historical data which Scott looks at when determining where to invest. The variety of funds keeps us in line with our adopted investment policy.
- Jan's reports – we reviewed the membership reports based on the quarterly reports received to date. 183 new members joined in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. We are seeing the impact of the GrangeUp program coming to life!
  - Loan update – Granges with outstanding loans to the OSG were reviewed.
  - EC to look over Visa & Master Card bills for audit purposes.
- Thank you notes received from FFA for public speaking sponsorship & Columbia Grange (Multnomah Co) for banner.

### 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. Sarah will take Tillamook today, and Don will work on some when the harvest is done.

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- Employee Handbook and Employee Evaluations are still in progress. Susan and Sarah will work on these before the next Exec Meeting.
  - Deer Creek Grange – No updates yet as they are still in discussions with the Fire Department regarding their lease.
  - Grange Up '17 – All boxes were delivered to either the Grange or a member of each Grange. Numbers coming in show quite a few new members, but still not quite a gain. First quarter is always hard because Granges tend to drop due to nonpayment of dues. We will have a membership celebration at State Grange Convention.
  - A Policy for virtual attendance at Subordinate Grange meetings was adopted at National Grange last year, allowing states to set their own policies. Jeff moved, Sarah seconded to adopt the presented policy as modified. Motion passed.
  - Lobbyist – Craig Loughridge was retained on a contract basis, and has been giving us good representation. We are impressed with the email updates he has been providing from Salem.
  - Netel Grange received a bid for replacing their septic system. They are looking for a couple more bids before deciding on the project, as well as, obtaining a loan from us for funding.
  - Salem Heating will be adding the new draft inducer to their next scheduled maintenance at the office.
  - Don came down and cut the ivy off the roof, but we still need to contact the people in the house around the corner to get permission to remove the ivy before it does any more damage. If they are not home today, we will send them a letter.
  - Library Presentations – there are 3 presentation boards that have been printed and are now being displayed at libraries across Oregon. We may have a presentation at the Multnomah Main Library next spring with a reception and opportunity to promote the Grange.
  - Gold Hill has sold and we received \$121,080.00
  - National Database – Jan has worked extra time to get all the OSG members and Granges input into the National database. The database seems correct for each Grange and member. National was pleased!
  - Audit – should be finished up by June 15<sup>th</sup>, allowing us enough time to make copies. They will present their report at our next exec meeting.
  - Mohawk-McKenzie Grange hall use contract has been completed.
  - National Grange had previously encouraged State Granges to provide information on grants available to improve kitchens at local halls. Jeff researched grant opportunities through the USDA, which some Granges might qualify for. Susan will talk with Betsy to ensure this meets the National Grange guidelines, and we will hopefully prepare some information before State Grange.

We adjourned for lunch from 12:00-12:30pm

### New Business

- Budget – The budget committee met on May 30<sup>th</sup> to prepare the proposed budget for 2018. It's based on membership of 4900, which incorporates our GrangeUp goal of 3+ members per Grange.
  - **Don moved, Jeff seconded, to present this proposed budget to the delegates. Motion passed.**
- Insurance – Members have brought up a concept of the Oregon State Grange providing liability insurance for all subordinate Granges, and we would collect payments from them. We discussed the benefits and weaknesses of this blanket coverage, and don't feel that this serves our needs now. Most of our Granges have sufficient coverage. There will be an article in an upcoming bulletin to educate

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Granges on insurance companies that others are using. Our focus will be on helping the few with the greatest need.

- Division of Labor – We received 81 resolutions prior to the deadline of May 26<sup>th</sup>. The resolution assignments are listed below.
- Spence Scholarships – The Exec Committee reviewed and scored the applications for the Spence scholarship.
- Packing State Office – Wednesday June 21<sup>st</sup> will be the big packing day to go to State Grange Convention. The Dons have volunteered to help, others are welcome. The office will be closed from 6/21 until 7/5.
- Matching Grant Program – The program overall is going well and has helped many Granges make improvements to their halls. In the next round, we will offer assistance with paperwork to those who find the grant application daunting.
  - Communications going out to those who are not completing their agreements or reports as required in the program.
- Legislative bill tracking software is available for \$1000-\$3000 annually. We will consider this for future legislative sessions, and plan to speak with Craig more in the fall.
- Franklin Property - we have an offer at \$60,000 that is firm and well below the sale price of \$119,000. They declined our counteroffer of \$90,000. We have not received any other offers, but the realtor indicated there may be another interested party.
  - **Jeff moved that if we have not seen movement by Thursday 6/9, then we authorize Buzi to accept the \$60,000 offer on Franklin. Don seconded. Motion passed.**
- North Howell property was sold in January, but the buyer is not happy and wants to sell the property back to us. Before making a decision we will inspect the property with a contractor to understand all of the changes that have been made.
- Stanfield & Columbia Grange have proposed a consolidation.
  - **Sarah moved that we approve the consolidation plan of Stanfield and Columbia Granges. Jeff Seconded. Motion passed.**
- Nancy's letter to auditors was reviewed. The letter is in response to a request from Moss Adams in regards to any litigation or claims.
- Macleay Grange – needs extension on sign program due to late shipping. This is covered with the program extension.
- Sign program – We approved 50% reimbursement for 16 Granges in this program, spending half of our \$10,000 budget.
  - **Roger moved to extend the sign program to May 31, 2018. Don Seconded. Motion passed.**
- Fernwood Grange – A neighbor is interested in the property, but it is not currently listed for sale. The Grange recently went dormant.

#### **Decisions made via email were reviewed and affirmed.**

- Decision to allow Springwater to donate some of the trust funds to Clarkes Grange for the Cuddle Cot purchase.
- Decision to allow Terrebonne to spend trust funds for new floor.
- Decision to counter the \$60,000 offer on Franklin at \$90,000.
- Decision to allow Fruitdale to spend trust funds on miscellaneous repairs.

#### **Grange Reports**

- North Howell – sale issue as listed above.
- Roxy Ann - Community members have shown some interest in reorganizing the Grange. We will discuss with them our values as an organization to determine if this is a good fit.
- Redwood – The Grange is struggling with membership and activities.
- Stanfield/Columbia – approved to consolidate

- Goldson – Is exploring the idea of getting a FEMA grant to become an emergency shelter, but significant funds are required to be contributed by the Grange.
- GrangeUp Program – The visits by state leadership has exposed that there are more Granges struggling than we realized. We gained 183 new members but did not have a net gain due to the significant drops in 1<sup>st</sup> quarter due to nonpayment of dues. Our hope is that 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter sees more gain from the effort of all the visits. The leadership team is supposed to follow up with the Granges they visited and offer continued support.
  - A Pep Rally is planned for State Grange and will be so much fun.
- Healthy Grange Conferences took place this spring. Some were well attended while others were not, which happens with conferences every year. It's still important to get out and connect with our members.
- Regional Grange Conference will be at Knotts Berry Farm Resort in August. If interested in attending, please contact the state office.

### Deputy & State Officer Reports

- Azalea
- Gresham – Carol is attending every meeting at Gresham to help them come together to clean up the hall and focus on their Grange.
- Mapleton
- Pleasant Valley
- Salmon River – Carol is a regular visitor at Salmon River and is still working with the member relationships.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm

The meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Fraternally Submitted,  
 Sarah Kingsborough  
 Oregon State Grange Secretary

#	Resolution Title	Committee
1	Resolution about SB 181	FiA
2	Oregon State Grange Lobbyist	GO
3	State Grange Annual Session	GO
4	Amend OSG By-Laws References to Community Service Committee	BL
5	Adopt the Youth Fair Program	GPA
6	Update Deaf Awareness/Family Health Committee Names	BL
7	Textbook 'Get Oregonized' for Oregon Classrooms	ED
8	Election Board for Preferential Election	BL
9	Nomination Deadlines for State Officers	BL
10	Life Membership Minimum Fee	BL
11	Life Membership Interest Returns	BL
12	Pomona Grange Dues	BL
13	Support Oregon HB 2469	AG
14	Revise State Officer Installation Date Exec Declared Resolution Out of Order	



15	State Fair Log Cabin Maximization	GPA
16	Resolution Opposing Common Core State Standards	ED
17	High Stakes Testing	ED
#	<b>Resolution Title</b>	<b>Committee</b>
18	Support Labelling Genetically Engineered Foods	AG
19	For Local Seed & Crop Protection from Genetically Engineered Crops	AG
20	Hold Patent Holders Liable for Damages Due to Contamination by GE Crops	AG
21	Support for Community Rights Ordinances	FA
22	Supporting Health Care for All Children Living in Oregon	HW
23	Fact-checking Resolutions Prior to Publication	GO
24	Update the National Grange's 1975 Declaration of Purpose	GO
25	For a Pipeline Moratorium and Divestment from Fossil Fuels	FA
26	For Active Support for Ending Neonicotinoid Use by the General Public	AG
27	Lottery Funds for Veterans	VET
28	Senior Healthcare in Oregon	HEEW
29	Support for Increased Bottle Bill Deposit	EE
30	Support for Increased Aluminum Recycling	<del>LE</del> EE
31	Prohibition of Gerrymandered Political Districts	<del>ED</del> LE
32	Support for the Oregon FFA Association and Agricultural Education	ED
33	Resolution about SB 181	FiA
34	State Executive Committee Members	BL
35	I-5 Donald/Aurora Exit	TR
36	Cooperative Extension Service and 4-H	LE
37	School Expenses and Funding Problems	LE
38	Schools	ED
39	Subjects Taught in Schools	ED
40	Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) & Public Utility Districts (PUD)	UT
41	Energy Sources and Energy Conservation	UT
42	Telephones and Television	UT
43	Chemicals, Toxins, and Waste Disposal	EE
44	DEQ Regulations (i.e., wood stoves, brush)	EE
45	Endangered Species Act	EE
46	Preservation and Management of Our Environment	EE
47	Recycling	EE
48	Congress, Judges, and the President of the United States	FA
49	Federal Monetary Affairs	FA
50	Federal Services – Social Security	FA
51	Foreign and Domestic Services	FA

52	National Elections and Electoral College	FA
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#	Resolution Title	Committee
53	Postal Service	FA
54	US Flag, Anthem, and Pledge of Allegiance	ED
55	Banking Institutions & Governmental Structure and Expenses	FiA
56	Taxes – Establishment, Collection, and Distribution	FiA
57	Controlling and Dispensing Food	HW
58	Crime, Victims of Crime, Criminal Sentences, and Parole	LE
59	Firearms	LE
60	Health Care & Health Care Providers	HW
61	Police Officers, Correction Officials & Criminal Facilities	LE
62	The Use of Alcoholic Beverages	HW
63	Insurance Coverage and Settlements	IN
64	Administrative Rules	LE
65	Legislative Session & Passage of Bills	LE
66	Miscellaneous Resolutions	LE
67	Political Candidates, Ballot Measures, & Elections	LE
68	Regional & County Government, Appointed & Elected Officials	LE
69	Unpopular Legislative Laws & Proposals	LE
70	General Transportation Concerns on Roads & Rivers	TR
71	Mass Transit	TR
72	Motor Fuels & Taxes	TR
73	Road Hazards & Road Work	TR
74	Vehicle Regulations & Fees	TR
75	Veterans	VET
76	Oregon State Grange Lobbyist	GO
77	Oppose Use of Carcinogens on Food Crops	AG
78	Oregon Veterans Lottery Funds	VET
79	Resolution about SB 181	FiA
80	Translating Information & Brochures sent from National & OSG Granges	GO
81	Lower Mileage Reimbursement Rate	BL

## Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting - July 23, 2017

The meeting called to order at 1:00pm by Master Susan Noah. Present included Sarah Kingsborough, Jeff Dehne, Roger Wilson, Don Sether, and Celia Luttrell.

Prior meeting minutes from June 3<sup>rd</sup> were read and approved.

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OSG Convention Minutes for Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup> were read. Celia moved to approve the minutes. Jeff seconded and motion carried.

### Financial Reports

- Current Financial Reports were reviewed.
- Jan's reports – loans, dues owed to State Grange, and membership reports were reviewed. In our early 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter reports we are seeing an increase of 28 members thus far. We need our state officers and state committee people to continue engaging our local Granges.
  - EC audited the Visa & Master Card bills

### Unfinished Business

- Audit. We had a conference call with representatives from Moss Adams LLP to review our audit of financial statements from 2015 and 2016. We received an “unmodified” report which is a clean bill of health for the Oregon State Grange. A few best practices regarding documentation were recommended and will be implemented.
- North Howell Grange sale was discussed. The property was sold in February and the buyer wants us to purchase it back. **Jeff moved to respond to the buyer that, “the Grange will only consider purchasing the property if it is sufficiently restored to be used as a Grange hall.”** Don seconded and a discussion was held with our attorney regarding the pros and cons of purchasing this property which the Grange previously sold because we are not interested in using it. The motion failed. **Sarah moved to respond to the buyer that, “The Oregon State Grange is not interested in purchasing the property of the former North Howell Grange Hall.”** Roger seconded and the motion passed.
- Western Regional – 8 people from Oregon will be traveling to California at the beginning of August. Jessie Jo Guttridge, Gracie Hayes, Suzy Ramm, Jeff and Liz Dehne, Linda Helm, and Mark & Susan Noah.
- State Session Recap. Feedback was received regarding the schedule, conferences, and meals. We'll be looking at ways to make our schedule and activities more efficient while still providing value. Please send feedback to Susan. A deposit has been made on the Clatsop County Fairgrounds for June 23-28, 2018.
- Netel Grange loan request for \$12,000 – new bids were received from contractors for the septic work. **Don moved, Jeff seconded to approve the loan request of \$12,000 for a 10-year term with 5% interest and payment of \$127.00. Motion carried.**
- Evergreen Grange sale – the buyer has financing so the title restriction will be removed for the sale.
- Franklin Grange property - Deal fell through so the property is still on the market. Malcolm will continue to mow.
- Roxy Ann – They are still interested in reorganization. I have told them the middle of August may be a good time to meet again.
- Grange property title restrictions – Tillamook County completed, the Exec Committee will help with completing the filings.

### New Business

- By-Law changes are being made and will be distributed just before September 1<sup>st</sup> when they take effect.
- Coos-Curry-West Coast Pomona closed as of June 30<sup>th</sup>. I have sent letters to the two Granges in Lane County and the one in Douglas asking if they would like to be redistricted to the Pomona of the county they reside in, or did they wish to reactivate West Coast Pomona. The letters went out on July 12<sup>th</sup>, but I have not heard anything back yet. No other Granges in the Coos-Curry-West Coast Pomona were in these special conditions. Does the EC back a specific outcome? **Don Moved to notify the**

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**former Granges of West Coast Pomona that unless they want to reorganize their Pomona, we will redistrict the Granges to the counties in which they reside, ie. Douglas and Lane.** Roger seconded. Motion carried.

- Pomona Task Force will begin meeting October 7<sup>th</sup>. The intention is to implement ideas to rebuild the Pomona program to provide support to Granges throughout the state. Susan is looking for volunteers to serve on the task force along with Pomona Masters.
- Grant Committee – Looking for two new members to join Don Kingsborough, Don Guttridge, and Mike Gaber. The Grant deadline is September 15 so the team needs to be in place next month. Grange members with expertise in construction or grant writing are preferred.
- Accounting system. A new system is needed and will cost approximately \$450. **Don moved to allow up to \$500 to upgrade the accounting system. Jeff seconded. Motion passed.**
- Directors retreat is scheduled for September 22-24 in Lincoln City. The retreat will focus on continuing the outreach to Subordinate Granges. Cost is covered by the training money in the reverted Grange Funds.
- Lobbyist report for June was received.
- Oversight of all monies being raised and spent. Committees and officers need to ensure expenses are preapproved prior to being incurred. We are all responsible for managing appropriate use of funds within our budget.
- Log Cabin – Directors recommend handing out backpacks containing a few school supplies to grade school kids. The back pack would say “The Oregon State Grange “Backs” Education” and have the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo. Cost estimate is \$1,975 for backpacks and \$1,300 for supplies. The current budget for the Log Cabin is \$1,800 which is used for prizes, pictures, display items, water, etc. This year we will have new displays and incentives for volunteers. **Celia moved to allow the increased State Fair promotional budget for the backpack giveaway for our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. Don seconded. Motion passed.**
- Policy for Letters to the Editor was reviewed and approved as amended.
- State Officer Practice 1pm Saturday 9/30/17 at Walterville Grange or another location in Lane or Linn County area.

#### **Decisions made via email were reviewed and affirmed.**

- Agreement to allow Fruitdale to withdraw additional funds of \$11,842 for roofing job.
- Agreement to allow Riversdale Grange to accept the offer of \$150,000 for the Evergreen property.
- Agreement to allow Williams Grange to withdraw \$941.33 from their trust funds for paint and ceiling repairs.
- Approval of revised Employee Handbook which will be presented to employees in the coming weeks.
- Agreement to allow Sandlake to withdraw \$2,332.54 from their trust funds for supplies and maintenance of building and Grange promotion work.

#### **Grange Reports**

- Roxy Ann still looking at reorganizing.
- Redwood is growing in membership.
- Macleay is working on their member relationships.

Next Meetings Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.

## Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting - October 15, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 1:05pm by Master Susan Noah. Members present included Jeff Dehne, Don Sether, Roger Wilson, Celia Luttrell, and Sarah Kingsborough.

Minutes from the previous meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup> were read and approved.

### Financial Reports

- Celia's accounting reports were reviewed. We are almost current with the financial reports.
- Jan's office reports detailing Subordinate Grange quarterly reports including past due balances.
- GrangeUp reports show a net gain of 58 members year to date. Woohoo!
- Investment reports from our advisor, Scott Barker, were reviewed. Our YTD rate of return is 7%.

### Unfinished Business

- North Howell property sale went to mediation and has still not been resolved. This will continue to be worked through our attorney.
  - **Executive Session – to not be published in the paper**
  - **End Executive Session**
- Evergreen property has sold for \$145,000.
- The accounting program software upgrade is still in process. Old issues have been corrected.
- Employee handbook revision was presented to the staff. Additional documentation is being worked on for the office staff including job duties and office procedures.
- GrangeUp is showing great traction, keep encouraging activity in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to drive our membership and meet budget goals.
- Director's retreat was held the weekend of 9/22. Annual planning took place and a new mission statement was created. The next phase in our GrangeUp program will be focused on Grange Connections! Look for more activities taking place in 2018.
  - **Don moved to allocate up to \$5000 in promotional items for the Grange Connections program in 2018. Roger seconded and motion approved.**
- Backpacks were given out at the state fair. We did not give out as many as anticipated. Leftovers are available for sale in sets of 30 backpacks for \$30. Volunteers who won the visa cards were Kim Schettig and Rowena Miller.
- Roxy Ann Grange was reorganized 9/26/17 with 24 new members.
- Library exhibits have been placed in 13 libraries around the state. Nine more are scheduled, including the Multnomah County library next spring with a kickoff event on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

### New Business

- Ada, Mapleton, Smith River – could need redistricting for Pomona since Coos/Curry/West Coast has dissolved.
  - **Don moved to move Ada and Mapleton into Lane Pomona and Smith River into Douglas Pomona. Jeff seconded. Motion passed.**
- Pomona Task Force met on October 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss strengths and opportunities for Pomona Granges. Additional meetings are set for February 3<sup>rd</sup> and March 17<sup>th</sup>.
- National Grange Celebratory Gala

- **Jeff moved to send \$50 as a sponsor for the Celebration. The motion was not seconded.**
- Fernwood property – request for easement from the Werth family.
  - **Jeff moved that we respond to the easement request to have a meeting with the Werth family and understand their request more. Roger seconded. Motion passed.**
- State Masters conference is being hosted in Oregon in March 2018.
  - **Don moved to sponsor the meals for the weekend out of the Master Convention fund and National convention fund. Sarah seconded. Motion passed.**
- 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration will be December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Willamette Heritage Center.
  - **Don moved to fund the 150<sup>th</sup> celebration including facility, food, invitations, decorations, etc. Roger seconded. Motion passed.**
- GROW club is working on a 5<sup>th</sup> degree team for Wallowa County.
- 2019 convention in district 4, plans are underway. They have proposals from several venues.
- Ag in the Classroom Program has their annual fundraiser dinner and auction is October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- OSG Loan Policy proposal per audit recommendation.
  - **Don moved to approve the loan policy presented, to be added to the loan criteria on the OSG website. Roger seconded, motion passed.**
- National Grange schedule was reviewed, and raffle tickets are available for sale.
- Community Service project for Western Region is “Animal Husbandry” or pet products. Encourage Granges to donate for National Convention.
- Grant Committee report was reviewed. Roger moved to approve the committees report as amended, for \$41,720.94 in grant funds. Don seconded. Motion passed.
  - Fairfield \$4959
  - Sunnydale \$5000
  - Kellogg \$1778.12
  - Redmond \$2825
  - Macleay \$0
  - Silverton \$4972.18
  - Skyline \$4267.64
  - High Desert \$2000 conditionally approved pending budget.
  - Coburg \$5000
  - Tigard \$0
  - Pacific \$4419 – clarify work plan in approval letter
  - North End \$1500 – clarify work plan in approval letter
  - Pine Valley \$5000

#### **Decisions made via email**

- Agreement to accept \$50,000 for the sale of Crowfoot Grange
- Agreement on possible additional loan to the National Grange for repair of their HVAC
- Agreement to allow Fruitdale to withdraw \$1,733.15 from their trust funds for additional painting.
- Agreement to counter the potential buyer on the Franklin property to \$60,000.
- Agreement to sign over one-acre parcel on a Grange that went dormant in the 30’s. The family that has been working this land have asked for a quit claim deed.
- Agreement to counter the offer of \$50,000 on Mud Springs to \$95,000.
- Agreement to again counter the new offer on Mud Springs of \$75,000 to \$80,000. Mud Springs sold.
- Agreement to again counter the offer of \$50,000 on Franklin Grange to \$55,000.
- Agreement to move to a new storage unit across town.

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- Agreement to allow Riversdale Grange to accept \$5,000 less on Evergreen Grange due to termite damage.
  - Agreement to sell the Grange back packs left over from the State Fair.
  - Agreement to allow Terrebonne to withdraw \$8,000 from their trust funds to replace heating system, replace curtains on the stage and putting down laminate on the stage.
  - Agreement to allow Lexington to withdraw the remainder of their trust funds to partially pay for an upgrade in electrical.
  - Jeff moved to ratify all agreements made via email. Roger seconded. Motion passed.

### **Grange Reports**

- Creswell – other members from Lane county are supporting membership growth.
- Roxy Ann – reorganized in September with 24 people.
- Salmon River – latest visit was very positive.

Next meetings: Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup> at 9am, Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am

Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm

## **Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting - January 20, 2018**

Meeting was called to order at 9:10am by Master Susan Noah. Celia Luttrell, Sarah Kingsborough, Don Sether, and Jeff Dehne were present. Roger Wilson was absent.

Previous meeting minutes were read and approved.

### **Financial Reports**

- Current financial reports including balance sheet and fund balances were reviewed. We had good discussion regarding funds that have not been used in recent years. In the future we may consider proposing changes to the funds, so they are working better for the Grange.
- Grange membership reports were reviewed. 2017 final numbers are not available until all quarterly reports are received. Thus far we have a net gain of 183 members. Yippee! This is the first year we've shown a net gain in membership in many years.
- Past due reports, dues, and loan payments were discussed.
- Scott Barker our financial consultant provided us with an investment update. He walked through the Charles Schwab outlook for 2018. The OSG in 2017 has an unrealized 10.87% return on invested funds. We discussed realized and unrealized gains, and how our bookkeeping is tracking these for the many funds we have.
  - Susan and Celia will check with the accountants for their recommendation on how to show gains and losses on these funds going forward. We will discuss again at the next Executive Committee meeting.

### **Unfinished Business**

- North Howell sale is finalized. We have purchased the property back from the owners at \$165,000. This was sold last January for \$210,000.
  - Don will change the locks on the building and place a temporary barrier on the lot.
  - Sarah moved to have Buzi Nelson list the property for sale as is. It shall be listed on a commercial form, for at least \$165,000, with the zoning spelled out. Don seconded the motion. Motion carried. We will ask her to speak with the adjacent property owners to determine interest.
- Library exhibit – still on track for Multnomah Central Library. It will start the last weekend in April. An open house is planned for the first Saturday in May.

- Douglas and Lane Pomona redistricting changes have been communicated.
- Pomona Task Force meeting scheduled for 11am February 3<sup>rd</sup> at Sunnyside Grange.
- Fernwood Grange remains dormant and the property continues to show interest.
  - Werth Family is still reaching out with a request for easement. Jeff and Carol Everman met with representatives from the family regarding their requests. The easement decision was postponed to our next meeting.
  - Another neighbor and the Newberg VFW have expressed interest in purchasing the property.
  - Jeff made a motion to respond to the Newberg VFW and ask them to submit a proposal to purchase. Sarah seconded. Motion passed. Susan will also ask Buzi to provide a cost estimate.
- State Master's Conference – Oregon is hosting this year's annual conference for State Masters at Sunnyside Grange the first weekend in March. Meals will be provided by Sunnyside and Clarkes for approximately \$20/person; \$1000 total cost to the OSG. Drivers, guest speakers, and other details are in the works. An Oregon welcome pack will be provided for each state.

### New Business

- 2018 State Grange Convention
  - Deposit sent to Clatsop County Fairgrounds and reservations finalized.
- Resolution proposing the OSG provide a group insurance policy. We discussed the complications and significant expense of managing a program like this.
- Connect Americans Now – coalition for broadband expansion.
  - Jeff moved that the OSG join CAN. Don seconded. Motion passed.
- State Grange Office
  - Maintenance – outdoor lighting is an issue. Don will look at it later this month.
  - Staffing – We will have decisions to make this year for key positions including lobbyist, website administrator, clerical work, bookkeeping, etc.
- Grange Advocacy Inc funds received as a thank you from our legislative efforts.
  - **Don moved to split the funds between our Grange connections program costs and a donation for the organization that provides the speaker at the Master's Conference. Jeff seconded, motion carried.**
- Grange 101 Conferences planned for this spring. Training funds coming from the Reverted Dormant Grange Fund.
- Franklin Grange – Lane County Assessor's Office has contacted the OSG regarding the property that has been dormant for several years.

### Grange Report

- Carol Everman emailed her report with updates on the following Granges: Gresham, Salmon River, Brownsmead, Wickiup, Charity, Roxy Ann, Pleasant Valley and Azalea. The Granges she has been visiting recently are responding positively.
- Susan provided a report on additional Grange visits: Skyline, Siletz Valley, Union Hill, Charity.
- Jeff shared information on a few Granges as well: Creswell and Elmira.

### Decisions Made Via Email

Emails were reviewed. Jeff moved to ratify the decisions. Don seconded. Motion passed.

- Agreement to allow Springwater to withdraw \$1,931 from their trust funds for various projects
- Agreement to purchase a new computer for the Master's office
- Agreement to become a silver sponsor at the Small Farms Conference
- Agreement to allow Mt. Vernon to withdraw \$4575 from their trust funds to start work on a remodel



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- Agreement to allow the State Master to withdraw approximately \$166,000 for the repurchase of North Howell Grange, per the agreement made between OSG, Mt. View Realtors, Berkshire-Hathaway Realtors, and Joanne and Daniel Traeger
  - Agreement to allow Springwater Grange to withdraw \$4,317.96 from their trust funds for purchase of commercial refrigerator/freezer unit
  - Agreement to counter the offer received on Fair Oaks to \$120,000
  - Agreement to fund Subordinate Grange membership awards for 2018 with the plan laid out by the Master

Next Meetings: Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup>

Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm  
Sarah Kingsborough, Secretary

## Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting - April 5, 2018

Call to order at 10:15am by Master Susan Noah. Celia Luttrell, Sarah Kingsborough, and Jeff Dehne were present. Roger Wilson and Don Sether were absent.

Previous meeting minutes were read and approved.

### Financial Reports

- Current financial reports including balance sheet and fund balances were reviewed.
- Grange membership reports were reviewed. 2017 final numbers reflect a net gain of 213. Our GrangeUp program was a success! 2017 is the first year we've shown a net gain in membership since 1992. Congratulations to all the Granges with a gain in membership and those winning awards.
- Past due reports, dues, and loan payments were discussed.

### Unfinished Business

- North Howell Grange – request to re-list the property.
- Library exhibit – Multnomah Central Library open house is 2-4pm May 5<sup>th</sup>. National Grange Master Betsy Huber will be here for the event. The exhibits around the state have been wildly successful.
- Pomona Task Force – The task force had several meetings throughout the year and came up with several ideas to promote member participation in Pomona. A conference is planned for State Grange. A Pomona training is planned this fall at Terrebonne Grange. Options for a guest facilitator are being considered. Lunch will be served. Redistricting so all Subordinates are included in Pomonas still needs to happen.
  - **Jeff moved to reimburse mileage for the Pomona training conference. Celia seconded. Motion passed.**
- Fernwood Grange – Sarah cleaned up garbage. Susan will be responding to community members interested in the hall.
- State Master's Conference – Thank you to Sunnyside Grange and Clarkes Grange for hosting meals for the event. The participants from other states had a great experience in Oregon.
- 2018 Convention – Clatsop County Fairgrounds June 23-28. A visit of the grounds is planned for May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Set up will begin on Friday. Get comments regarding conferences and schedule to Susan in the next few weeks. Mailings go out to Granges soon. Resolution deadline is May 24.

- Resolution from Mohawk-McKenzie on insurance. Don & Sue Sether will provide some cost information prior to State Grange.
- New Lobbyist – John Dehaas has been hired and will be at State Grange Convention.
- Franklin Grange – sold for \$70,000. It will close on 4/6.
- Grange sign matching grant program.
  - **Jeff moved to make the sign program permanent until the Mandel Hall Improvement Fund is used. Celia seconded. Motion passed.**
- Willamette Grange – The title of the hall is now 100% under ownership of the Grange per vote of the community organization.

### New Business

- State Grange National Reps at OSG Convention – Youth & Junior Directors will both be invited.
- Bank Accounts were discussed.
  - **Celia moved to increase the dollar limit to requiring 2 signers to anything greater than \$5000.00. Jeff seconded. Motion passed.**
  - **Jeff moved that we request proposals for a new bank and consider changing with new officers/signers 7/1. Sarah seconded. Motion passed.**
- Furniture/Building upkeep needs. Office chairs and Log Cabin tables are in need of replacement. A few pieces of office furniture would be more useful if moved or changed.
  - **Jeff moved that the State Master is approved to purchase 6 new 8' tables for the log cabin. Celia seconded. Motion passed.**
  - **Jeff moved to allow for purchasing new office chairs, and a conference table from the building fund. Celia seconded. Motion passed.**
- Investment strategy was discussed regarding how we are reporting realized vs unrealized gains for those Granges that have chosen to invest in us. We will ask Scott for his recommendation on the frequency of how to manage investment sales to realize our gains/losses. We'll review again at our next meeting.
- Aloha Grange loan request for siding their hall. \$76,000 for 15 years at 5% with monthly payments of \$601.
  - **Jeff moved to approve the loan as presented. Sarah seconded. Motion passed.**
- Goshen Grange title restriction has caused confusion with the Historic Goshen Grange Cemetery. We will be researching the property descriptions and listings with Lane County, as well as, statutes regarding cemetery plot sales. Per our by-laws any Grange property sales require funds to be held in trust at OSG. Sarah will respond to Goshen and let them know we are researching this.
- Willakenzie Grange – letter sent to us with information regarding the property corner marking. It will be added to the Willakenzie file for consideration if property is ever sold.
- Western Star Grange – voted to disband.
- OSG Officer Elections – some ballots did not have proper names listed on all ballots with the rotation. The Chaplain position had errors on 1/6<sup>th</sup> of the ballots, making these invalid. Per our by-laws we cannot have another vote of all members prior to State Grange. Multiple ideas were discussed of how to handle this error, meet the guidelines in our by-laws, and make an equal playing field for both nominees for Chaplain.
  - **Susan moved to send a letter to Granges to notify them of the error and explain that both names will be placed on the ballot for Chaplain at the State Grange Convention. Jeff seconded. Motion passed.**

- Upper Applegate Grange – The McKee Bridge Historical Society has requested to purchase 50 metal chairs from the hall.
  - **Celia moved to sell the 50 chairs at \$10 each to the McKee Bridge Historical Society. Jeff Seconded. Motion passed.**
- Resolutions received in the state office as of 4/5/2018. Committee Assignments.
  - Unrestricted Dues Allocation – By-Laws
  - Group Insurance Policy – Insurance
  - Legislative Policy Boring Damascus – Good of the Order
  - Legislative Policy Clackamas Pomona – Good of the Order
  - Mandatory Oregon State Licensing/ID for Service Animals - Legislation
  - Highway Improvement - Transportation
  - Exclude Seeds from Patenting - Agriculture
  - Enact Josephine County GMO Planting Ban - Legislative

### Decisions Made via email

Emails were reviewed. **Jeff moved to ratify the decisions made via email since our last meeting. Sarah seconded. Motion passed.**

- Agreement to allow Riversdale to withdraw \$53,120.53 of their funds for a kitchen remodel.
- Agreement to allow Springwater to withdraw \$1,000 of their funds for kitchen improvements.
- Agreement to allow Fruitdale to withdraw \$4556.07 of their funds for Insurance.
- Agreement to allow Columbia Grange to accept the \$40,000 on Stanfield.
- Agreement to allow the Ag Committee to offer \$5 off membership certificates at the Small Farms conference.

### Grange Reports

- Keizer – Looking at reorganization possibilities. Ag Fest would be a great time to promote this local Grange.
- Western Star – voted to disband.
- Charity – considering options to close or consolidate with another Grange.
- Jackson Pomona – had not met in approximately 2 years, but recently had a meeting with 21 people representing 4 Granges. Great news!

Next Meeting: Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup>  
Meeting adjourned at 4pm

Sarah Kingsborough, Secretary

## Subordinate/Community Grange Delegates at 145<sup>th</sup> Convention

### *Benton County*

Willamette #52  
Fairmont #252  
Marys River #685

Tim Dehne  
Kailey McKay  
Judy and Sonny Hays-Eberts

### *Clackamas County*

Frogpond #111  
Warner #117

Stephen and Sabra Miller  
Don Kingsborough

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Boring-Damascus #260  
Clarkes #261  
Springwater #263  
Beavercreek #276  
Eagle Creek #297  
Molalla #310  
Abernethy #346  
Redland #796  
Sunnyside #842

Celia Luttrell  
Jim Dumolt and Ken Naylor  
Jessie Jo Guttridge and John DeHaas  
Francis "Bud" and Leila Dumolt  
Dan Le Brun and Cody Dunsmuir  
Don and Suzan Sether  
Howard and Judy Huey  
Richard and Annette Wanker  
Sandi Ludi and Jeanie Force

***Columbia County***

Beaver Valley #306  
Beaver Homes #518  
Warren #536  
Fern Hill #592  
Deer Island #947

Carol Everman and Sharon Tracy  
Marcia and Lyle Roberts  
Eva Frost and Mikela Heimuller  
Bruce Wallace  
Julie Wheeler

***Coos County***

Greenacres #834

Phyllis Wilson

***Deschutes County***

Terrebonne #663  
Little Deschutes #939

Myrna Colvin and Veronica Ford  
Darlene McDonnell

***Douglas County***

Riversdale #731  
Azalea #786

Maggie Swartzendruber  
Judy Lee

***Hood River County***

Parkdale #500  
Rockford #501

Terry Honn and Diane Parrott  
Aurora del Val and Cecelia Goodnight

***Jackson County***

Lake Creek #697  
Central Point #698  
Bellview #759

Diane Schofield and Wayne Marshall  
Wayne Cabler  
Danny Gregg, Christy Hardy, Kristina LeFever, Dolly Warden

***Klamath County***

Midland #781

Phil Van Buren and Louise Holst

***Lane County***

Lorane #54  
Irving #377  
Walterville #416  
Crow #450  
Creswell #496  
Jasper #532  
Goshen #561  
Ada #570  
Santa Clara #746  
Mohawk-McKenzie #747  
Dorena #835  
Thurston #853

Sean and Misty Burris  
Peggy Jillson  
Jeff Dehne and Vernon Herrick  
Lexie and Connie Suing  
Linda Wetzell and Patrick Dearth  
Nadine Reed and Anna Massingham  
Riley Tucker  
Heather Elliott and Linda Pugh  
Carl McGlothlin and James Stutz  
Liz Dehne and Ann Rawlins  
Loreen Huffman and Carolin Pettit  
Mary Lambert

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Spencer Creek #855  
Goldson #868  
London #937

Malcolm and Cookie Trupp  
Becky Cornforth  
Alice Nowicki

***Linn County***

Santiam Valley #828  
Lacomb #907

Roberta O'Dell  
JaDala Coyle and Maxine Smith

***Malheur County***

Boulevard #389

Debbi DeBoer and Valerie Richmond

***Marion County***

Macleay #293

Janice Hallman and Roger Williamson

***Multnomah County***

Multnomah #71  
Russellville #353  
Skyline #894

William Dodds and Paul "Pat" Eck  
Wanda Colman  
Sen Speroff

***Tillamook County***

Sandlake #546

Cindy Green and Sarah Kingsborough

***Umatilla County***

White Eagle #683  
Columbia #867

Brandon Anglin and Cole Wilson  
Doris Reid and Sara Wilson

***Wallowa County***

Hurricane Creek #608

David McBride and Elveree Fine

***Washington County***

Tigard #148  
Winona #271  
Forest Grove #282  
Washington #313

Mark and Julie Schnetzky  
Marilyn Reiher and Norm Parker  
Jim Clute and John Knox  
Linda Dorland and Margie Belnap

***Yamhill County***

McMinnville #31

Ed and Doris Thurston

**Pomona Delegates at 145<sup>th</sup> Convention**

Benton #36

Jay Sexton and Lyle Utt

Clackamas #1

Ed Luttrell and Annette Naylor

Columbia #18

Jeff Van Natta and David Wallace

Deschutes #25

Keith Colvin

Douglas #13

John and Peggy Fine

Jackson #27

Linda Helm

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Lane #14	Mike Cantrell and Ken Schwieger
Lincoln #10	Rose Esbenshade
Linn #12	Jesse O'Dell
Marion #4	Anne Startin
Umatilla-Morrow #26	Scot and Clare Jacobson
Wallowa #22	June Colony and Inez Locken
Washington-Yamhill #2	Sam Keator and Peggy Ivy