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2013 State Grange Session

Come to the Land of Plenty June 16-21st in Canby, Oregon for the 140th Oregon State Grange Convention. There has been a venue change since the previously announced location in Gladstone, Oregon. We are delighted to share with you the Canby Grove Christian Center, located just a few miles off I-5 in Canby, Oregon. Canby Grove has just over 74 acres of land and some 150 buildings. It operates year-round with a full-time staff of professionals to accommodate groups in numerous cabins and bunkhouses, in addition to RV camping sites. There are 15 different meeting spaces on site, with seating capacities from 20 to 900. Meeting rooms are equipped with modern audio/visual equipment to make hearing and seeing actions of the Oregon State Grange Convention easy for all. Canby Grove also has a full-service dining facility to host our luncheon banquets, as well as, breakfasts and dinners. Meal information and advance ticket sales will be available with the March bulletin. Grange members will enjoy the peace and serenity of the outdoors in this woodland camp set on the banks of the Molalla River. Additional facility accommodations include a ball field, playground, hiking trails,

swimming pool, campfire, handicap access, Wi-Fi, and more.

The District 4 hosting committee apologizes for any inconvenience in changing locations if you previously made reservations for Gladstone. RV parking and cabins/bunkhouses are available on site. A reservation form is located in this Bulletin and at orgrange.org, and is required to reserve housing on site. We have also provided a list of hotels and motels, all located within 5 miles of the camp, for you to make your lodging reservations.

Many preparations are underway for a great convention this year. If you have not previously attended the Oregon State Grange Convention, we hope this will be the year you come. We are delighted to share our section of Oregon with you along with the fellowship, networking, banquets, degrees, policy work, and traditions of the annual session. We'll see you in June in Canby!

Leadership Conferences

The Oregon State Grange will be hosting Leadership Conferences throughout the State during the months of March and April. See the conference schedule printed on page 3.

All Grangers are invited to attend these conferences. Information will be included that discusses effective meetings, parliamentary procedure, Grange Q and A and resolutions to change policy. This also is being set up as a time to meet some of the Committee Directors for the Oregon State Grange and their District Chairmen. Bring your

questions, ideas, praise and complaints. Together we can and will grow stronger and healthier as an organization if we work together. Each Grange will be receiving a letter with more information, but remember you are all invited! The schedule on page 3 will give you the date, place and time for the conference nearest you.

Hands Across the Border Celebrating 25 Years!

It was 25 years ago, in 1988, when an idea was born for Oregon and Idaho Grangers to join together for a social afternoon to share fun, fellowship and – of course – food!! Every year since then a day in March has been observed with Oregon and Idaho taking turns hosting the event. The idea followed a chartered bus trip from Idaho and Oregon to National Grange in Redding, California. Idaho Grangers had chartered the bus and had a few available seats for Oregon Grangers. These Grangers had such an enjoyable trip that they decided to get together annually to renew friendships.

This year is Oregon's turn and the event will be hosted by Boulevard Grange #389 in Ontario beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 23. Those planning to attend need to remember that Boulevard Grange is in the Mountain Standard Time Zone....so set your clocks one hour ahead of Pacific Time.

Spokesperson Val Richmond said live entertainment is planned and the menu includes

ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls and desserts. (Editor's Note: From past experience, Boulevard Grange has some of the best cooks in Oregon's Grange Halls.)

Boulevard Grange is located at 3890 Highway 201, Ontario (5 miles south of Ontario, near Cairo Junction). For further information, contact Sister Richmond at 541-889-5790.

Legislative Report

It is time for the 2013 legislative session. The Grange is sponsoring two bills with representatives and senators regarding resolutions passed at the 2012 state session. The two concepts are regarding Newborn Drug Screening and Missing Angels and a Stillborn Birth Certificate. You can find more information in Lobbyist Jim Welsh's article in this month's bulletin.

We welcome you to come to the 2013 Grange legislative day April 24th starting at 10 a.m. Lunch will be available for \$5.00, watch for the order form in the March Bulletin. You will hear from State Legislators regarding the issues they will be working on this session. This is an opportunity for you to meet with your local legislators about issues you may feel are a concern in your communities and local Granges. I welcome all Grangers and non-Grangers for a day at the capital to participate in the legislative process.

Fraternally,
Dean High
Legislative Director

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Susan Noah
Master Oregon State Grange

The Master's Column

Happy New Year!

I missed the final issue of our Bulletin last year due to breaking my arm just before the deadline, but I am really on the mend now and anxious to start the New Year at the Oregon State Grange. I really appreciated all the cards, notes and calls from my Grange friends and family. Rest assured that Mark and Bailey took good care of me while I was recuperating!

Although the election seems a thing of the distant past I'm pleased to say that the 'Real' Grange let the State of Oregon know who we are and in the end, the casino simply cashed in their chips and folded. While Oregonians may not have been ready to embrace a private casino anyway, I truly believe that standing up for our good name really finished this group in the State of Oregon. Our members can be proud of working to keep the good name and reputation we have held for 140 years here in the State of Oregon. I hope all the Granges who received a "Real Grange" banner are displaying it proudly to continue to let the public know that the "Real Grange" is here to stay.

Immediately following the election we were getting ready for National Grange. I've attended many National Sessions, but of course this was my first as your delegate. It was certainly a learning situation and I've come away with more knowledge about the Grange and the way we develop policy. Since Oregon, as one of the Western States, was helping to host we had a few extra duties, one being the 6th degree. Representatives of Oregon on this team included Cookie Trupp, Flora; Phil Van Buren, Steward, Ruth Newman as the Musician and Mark and I as the Assistants. Paula Herrick and Louise Holst also took part as Flora's attendants. The degree was exemplified in the fashion of the Washington State Grange under the direction of June Hendrickson, former Washington State Grange Master. While we

all perform the degree a little differently in each state, it is always beautiful and all involved did a great job.

Jan Oleson took the week off from our State office and spent her time in Boise helping the National Grange staff. From working with Jan, I know they were happy to have such a dedicated and productive office worker. Connie Suing spent part of the week helping with the youth, but shortly before the convention when our hospitality room host had to back out, Connie said "I'd be delighted" when asked to help with the two days of hosting. She and Mark and Roger Wilson made a couple of trips to the local Costco to supplement the items provided by our local merchants and members to make sure that the delegates were well fed.

Three of our younger members had the great honor of being a National Youth officer. They were Breanna Hays, Overseer; Brandon Parker, Steward; and as a last minute addition Cole Wilson, Chaplain. They all performed beautifully (we would expect no less) and made Cat Thomas, our Youth Director as well as the rest of us very proud. Paula Herrick as the decoration chairman took great care that all the tables looked wonderful and representative of the western states. And Cookie Trupp, with helpers in tow spent many hours getting the costumes for the Seventh degree cleaned and pressed to perfection.

Liz Dehne took on the job of National Junior Chairman for the week and made sure that the juniors attending had a great week and that the delegates enjoyed a Wednesday night performance of the Junior Degree. The Junior team that exemplified the degree included many Oregon juniors and they did a great job. A big special thank you to all of the Juniors and especially to Liz for her determination in making sure the degree was presented. I know all of the delegates and visitors to the convention were as impressed as I was.

Finally, big thanks to John and Peggy Fine who stepped in a couple of years ago and took over as Chairs of the Hosting committee when Don and Mary Johnson stepped down upon Don's election as Master of the Idaho State Grange. John and Peggy took over without missing a beat and brought the session to life. I heard nothing but good comments about the session and all involved, so thank you to all from Oregon who stepped forward to help!

Now for the New Year! Leadership conferences have been scheduled in each Pomona and I'm looking forward to meeting and renewing friendships with our members. A complete list of the dates, times and places is printed on the front page of this paper. Some of the content will include: Effective meetings, Writing Resolutions to change policy, Parliamentary procedure and some "Grange" Q & A. Each conference will be about 4 hours and will include a lite meal. While I want to encourage each Grange member to attend, I hope that Grange Masters, and others in leadership roles will make certainly make the time to attend. For members new and old this will be a chance to ask questions about the Grange, discuss effective meetings to encourage attendance, and generally just to meet each other and exchange ideas for growth. I am excited about visiting with our membership and discussing our shared goal of having the Oregon State Grange continue on as a premier organization for the next 140 years.

Speaking of our age, did you know that the Oregon State Grange will be having its 140th Anniversary this year? We plan to kick off the summer to commemorate this event at State Session with a Birthday Celebration at the Sunday night Kick-Off Banquet. This celebration will be carried through the summer, including the State Fair and will culminate in September on our actual birthday of September 27th. So be ready for a Birthday Party at State Session!

I also want to take some time to welcome all our new and returning officers of our Community and Pomona Granges. Sometimes we take for granted the work that goes into running our Granges but I know that our people in leadership roles have displayed dedication to the Grange and to their community by taking on these roles, and should certainly be recognized for that dedication. Hopefully you will find the work of the Grange pleasant and rewarding!

I hope to see many of you at the Leadership Conferences – check the schedule for the one in your area.

Faternally,

Susan Noah

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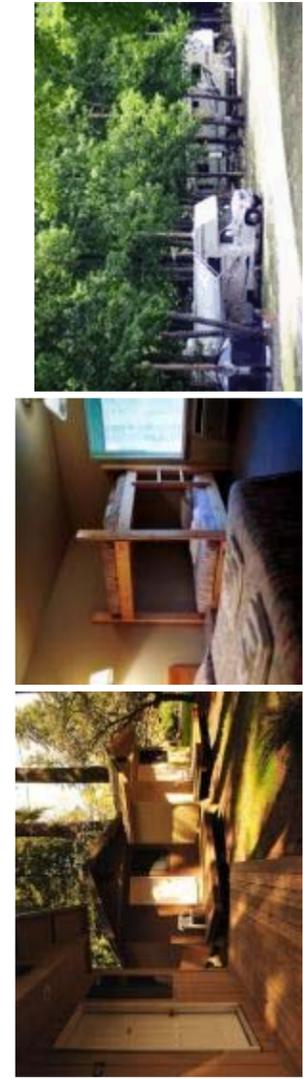
Canby Grove Christian Center has 74 acres of land including meeting rooms, cabins, RV parking space, river access, pool, campfire, playground, hiking trails, wi-fi, and more. On-site housing is available from Sunday June 16th through Saturday June 22nd.

RV parking provides 25 sites with 20 amps of power and a water spigot. A dump station and full restroom/shower facility is located within the RV area. No full hook-up sites provided. No open fires allowed in the RV area. Additional dry sites will be available on site with no hookups.

Woodland Cabins sleep up to 4 guests, are carpeted, heated, electricity, and furnished with a queen bed, 2 twin bunks, table and 2 chairs, small closet space. Linens are not provided – bring your own linens or sleeping bag. Restroom/shower facility is located closeby, no restroom in the cabin. No perishable food is permitted in the cabins.

Woodland Bunkhouses sleep up to 8 guests, are carpeted, heated, electricity, and furnished with 8 twin bunks. Linens are not provided – bring your own linens or sleeping bag. Restroom/shower facility is located closeby, no restroom in the cabin. No perishable food is permitted in the cabins.

Housing Options	Nightly Rate	X	# of Nights	X	# of sites /cabins	=	Total
RV Parking with electric hookup	\$22	X		X		=	
RV Dry Parking, no hookup	\$12	X		X		=	
Woodland Cabins	\$45	X		X		=	
Woodland Bunkhouses	\$25	X		X		=	
Grand Total						=	
Date Arriving:				Date Departing:			



Please return form with checks payable to the "2013 OSG Convention Committee".
Mail to: Sarah Kingsborough PO Box 1138 Molalla, OR 97038
Email questions to 2013OregonGrangeConvention@gmail.com

Space is limited on cabins & RV sites with electricity, please refer to orange.org for availability.



OSG 2013 Leadership Conferences

Pomona/District	Conference Date	Time	Grange
Clackamas	March 2nd	10:00	Abernathy
Multnomah	March 2nd	4:00	Pleasant Valley
Washington-Yamhill	March 3rd	10:00	Leedy
Columbia	March 3rd	4:00	Beaver Valley
Tillamook	March 9th	10:00	Sandlake
Lincoln	March 9th	4:00	Siletz Valley
Polk	March 10th	10:00	TBA
Marion	March 10th	10:00	Macleay
Benton	March 10th	4:00	Fairmount
Linn	March 10th		
Lane	March 16th	10:00	Willakenzie
Douglas	March 16th	4:00	Riversdale
Jackson	March 17th	10:00	Central Point
Josephine	March 17th	4:00	Fruitdale
Malheur	March 23rd	4:00	Boulevard
Coos, Curry, West	April 6th	10:00	North Bayside
Coos, Curry, West	April 6th	4:00	Sixes
Deschutes	April 7th	2:00	Pine Forest
Hood River	April 14th	10:00	Parkdale
Umatilla	April 20th	10:00	Stanfield
Union	April 20th	4:00	Fort Union
Wallowa	April 21st	10:00	Southfork
Baker	April 21st	4:30	Missouri Flat

State Session 2013

Lodging & Points of Interest

- A. Canby Grove Conference Center** – Convention Location, includes RV camping and cabins on site. Reserve through Convention Committee, limited availability. RV with electricity \$22 daily. Woodland Cabin \$45 daily. Woodland Bunkhouse \$25 daily. Details & Reservation form at www.orange.org or email 2013oregongrangeconvention@gmail.com
- Canby Country Inn** 463 Southwest 1st Avenue, Canby, OR (503) 266-5400 canbycountryinn.com
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 - Maplewood Grange** 25480 S. Hwy 99E Canby
 - Frogpond Grange** 27350 SW Stafford Rd. Wilsonville



Phyllis A Wilson
OSG Secretary

Secretary's Column

I could not become "inspired" to think of anything for this column, so wandered to the Oregon State Grange web page and opened the "calendar" link. It was amazing to find so many food events scheduled for February. There were many breakfasts, Pomona meetings with noon lunches, a potluck at a pinochle party, chili feed, Swiss steak dinner and a pie auction. On just one day, I could make it to a Valentine breakfast from 8 to 1 at a Grange, a Sweetheart breakfast from 10 to noon at another Grange and could get to the third Grange for a soup dinner between 11:30 to 3....all in the same county! But I am banking on the Dr. Seuss breakfast from 9 am to noon on March 2 at Beaver Homes Grange where GREEN eggs and ham will be served!!!

The month of March finds many deadlines for various forms. The web page calendar gives the dates, so be sure to check it out. The Volunteer of the Year, GIA scholarship application, community service reports, Oregon Legislative Experience application and 2012 Honor Grange form are just a few with March deadlines.

If you want to travel to Boulevard Grange in Ontario for a lunch, live entertainment and just plain ol' fun, plan on attending the annual "Hands Across the Border" where Oregon and Idaho Grangers join together for an old fashioned social afternoon. Just bring your

smile! The Boulevard ladies are among the best Grange cooks in the state. The event begins at 1pm on Saturday, March 23 (see separate story).

Dues Are Due

I am assuming that all secretaries have sent out the dues notices for their members. Those members who have not yet paid their 2013 dues now need to be sent the 2nd notice. The 3rd notice is the "Intent to Suspend" and should be sent out prior to your March meeting. Members with unpaid dues as of March 31st can be listed on the 1st Quarter Membership Report as being dropped for Non Payment of Dues (NPD). *(A member must be in arrears for one quarter to be dropped, since that report is not read and adopted until the April meeting a member can pay by March 31st and be OK.)* You then need to notify the "former" member with a "Notice of Suspension" that informs the person that they have officially been removed from the membership rolls. All dues forms are available from the OSG Office

Plan Ahead

Wednesday, April 24, is "Grange Day at the Capitol" (formerly Lobby Day). There will be a morning program and noon lunch. Reserve a time that afternoon to visit with your area legislators. We really need more Grangers to attend this event – it's informative and a visit to your state capitol in Salem is always worthwhile. Be thinking about car pooling....or get enough together to charter a bus.

Quarterly Report Information

I cannot stress how critical it is that accurate information be provided on these reports so that your membership totals will equal those totals maintained in the state office. Time after time, there is confusion on your totals versus the office totals. Members are NOT deleted or added on the office records UNLESS the information is provided on a quarterly report. If you do not indicate a member is to be dropped, that member's name

will remain on your member totals shown in the office and your Grange will be paying dues on that person. If you have concerns about any data on your quarterly report, please call Jan Oleson at the office. She is there from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Keep On Grangin'
Phyllis A Wilson
OSG Secretary

So you can see why I'm so excited, our Grangers might receive a prize and my friends at the shelter could receive some snacks and toys – it's a win, win!

For those of you who, as I say, "Pity the Kitties", there is also a "Here Kitty, Kitty Gift Bag Contest" with pretty much the same rules and the same goal of helping the felines who are in shelters.

I think we dogs can walk all over the cats in these contests so I'm challenging all the dog people to back me up and lets show those snooty cat people a thing or two!

That's all for now but remember "The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue" ~ Author Unknown



Bailey The Dog

Bailey Barks!

First off, no matter what anyone tells you, I was not the cause of my Mom falling and breaking her arm! Well not directly at least, you can get her version at the Leadership Conferences.

I'm so excited about my new contest my tail is just waggin! The GWA has many contests and this year I wanted to sponsor one, so our GWA Director, Mary Parrott, has helped me out with "Bailey's Good Dog Gift Package Contest". The gift packages must contain at least 4 items that will please a good dog. For example: canned food, snacks and toys. They may be purchased or homemade items. Judging will be on the appropriateness of the items included and the creativity in packaging. Prizes will be for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, but the best part is that the packages will be taken to a local humane society to be donated to those dogs who are waiting for their 'forever' homes.

Community Service Report

Counting those hours we put in for Community Service can be a real headache. I know, I have done it for several years. The biggest problem is getting the people doing the service to keep track of what they as a Granger have done. To that end here are some suggestions for keeping track:

Create a half sheet form for everyone to fill out at meetings to cover what they have done over the period since the last meeting, Or have them fill it out once a month or once a quarter.

Create a notebook with a page for each member and four columns: Event, Hours, Money, and Mileage. At meetings pass it around so they can fill in their page.

Make sure the forms, notebook or whatever you use are readily available. Put them out somewhere everyone passes by. Try gathering the information at social events such as potlucks. Keep track all year and let them know what a good job they are doing as part of your committee report.

There will be a new form to track Community Service hours at the subordinate level for your optional use, and I want to thank Ada Grange for the idea.

And don't forget to put all those wonderful Letters to The Editor on ballot measures 82 and 83 in your Community Service Notebook.

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National Grange News



kick-off to new Membership Campaign

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National Grange
Communications Director

In the Grange, 13 is a special number. Each Grange must have 13 members, and every Grange has 13 officers, plus its executive committee.

With 2013 just around the corner, and a serious need to see membership growth in the ranks of every local Grange across the nation, the Membership Department is rolling out a new, time-sensitive campaign using social media to encourage membership.

Called the 13Second Campaign, the initiative encourages all members using social media such as Facebook and Twitter to post a personal status or tweet on the 13th of every month from December 2012 through December 2013 – a total of at least 13 posts – that tell a personal story of what the Grange means to you and encouraging non-members to ask for more information or to join.

Membership / Leadership Director Michael Martin said the campaign allows every member to show their commitment and take ownership in growing the Grange.

"Growing our membership must be a priority of every Grange and every Grange member," Martins said. "This grassroots campaign will draw attention to the positive personal impact the Grange has made on our members' lives."

Martin said the campaign modernizes and works from the concept Granges have learned and discussed for years: the elevator speech.

"I ask that members across the country, that means you personally, take time – about 13 seconds – on the 13th of each month, starting today to post to your social networks a kind of social media elevator post," Martin said. "These posts should tell a brief anecdote about the Grange's importance in your community and in your life, and they should encourage your social media friends to ask you more about our Order."

Grangers who participate are encouraged to end each of their tweets or posts with #13Seconds so the National Grange can see how many messages were posted, shared and discussed, determine what stories and anecdotes seem to draw the most attention and assist in other areas of membership and recruitment.

"I challenge you to do your part by actively participating in this campaign. Actively tell people about your positive Grange experience and ask at least 13 people to join the Grange between now and December 13, 2013," Martin said.

If you participate and have success, Martin asks that you share the information with him by email at mmartin@nationalgrange.org. Include in the email your name and name and number of your Grange. Include the post that prompted the new member to join and the new member's name and Grange.

Martin said the National Grange will recognize everyone who reports success as part of this campaign during the 2013 Annual National Grange Convention.

"Over the next 13 months, if, together, we bring in 100 net new members each month, we will achieve a net gain in membership for the Grange as a whole. Together, in these next 13 months, we will grow the Grange," Martin said.



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Recipes for Success

As you may remember from Convention, the Communications Department seeks to gather information to create a "Recipes for Success in the Grange: A Resource Guide" 3-ring style notebook that includes information on proven lecturer's programs, membership recruitment efforts, fundraising, advocacy, media attention and other efforts.

We hope to produce this volume by the 2013 convention and have it available as a resource for every Grange at every level. Therefore, it's important that you work with local Granges in your State to identify successful programs that can be submitted for inclusion. I ask that you provide this information to your State Newsletter Editors/Information Directors.

These will be written as recipes, as the name of the book implies.

Each recipe should consist of at least the following:

Name of Project
Type of Project (fundraiser; advocacy effort; membership effort, etc.)
Grange Name, State, Number
Submitted By
of People: (a range is fine)
\$ Required: (again, a range is fine)
Other Resources Required (Ingredients):
Time Required:
Skills Necessary:
Mix: (This should be about 200-500 words and tell - as a recipe does - the steps of the process from brainstorming to completion)
Notes/Hints: (here is where you can put information like "if you try this project, it may be best to invite a State Deputy" or "You may have to learn about different types of insurance in your area for such an event" or whatever)
Yield:

I look forward to beginning to gather these. I hope to have several from every state and I promise I will bother you until you have at least one submission. I believe there is something positive happening in every State Grange across our country and it's time to showcase our efforts!

Please send all submissions to abrozana@nationalgrange.org. Submissions can come with digital photos (in fact, we encourage it) or links to websites that showcase the Grange in action. ALSO: If you are citing a fundraiser by an outside company/vendor, please include their website. If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to email me.

Thank you!
Amanda Leigh Brozana
Communications Director





Elizabeth (Liz) Dehne
Junior Grange Director

Junior Grange Report

2012 National Session

In November several of us helped host the National Session in Boise, Idaho. We had Juniors and Junior Leaders from all over the States. We put on the Junior Degree for the Session in full form and it was very well done. We had eight (8) Juniors from Oregon and the Master was Briana Herrick who was also our Master at State this past year. We did crafts and went on a field trip to the Boise Zoo.

2013 Plans

This coming year the Junior Department will be doing something new. Since it is a challenge to compete with school sports, clubs, I phones, I pads, etc., we are asking every Grange and Pomona to include the Junior(s) in your activities and meetings. We know that it would be preferred to have their own Junior Grange, but at least this way they get some exposure. They can help you with your meeting, fundraising, programs and events.

If you do have Juniors that will be doing entries for State Session we want to encourage the leaders to follow the categories in the **2013-14** Activity Guide. It is all new this year. If there are questions about what is acceptable in a category then the Leader needs to contact their District Junior Chair or me for clarification. We want to make sure that when their entry arrives at State that it meets the criteria.

We are going to try to get on board with the new social media by having a Junior Grange Facebook Page. Not only will it become a way for our Juniors and Leaders to contact each other and share good ideas, it will be used to do projects on a monthly basis and share what we are doing. I will post an idea for a project and if you do it you can share pictures and information with all the other Juniors. You can also visit the Oregon State Website where I will also be posting the project of the month.

Looking forward to guiding the Oregon State Junior Grange for the next two years.
Fraternally yours,
Elizabeth (Liz) Dehne

DAFH Report

Mark your calendar for a meeting Saturday, March 9, from 10:30 to 2:30 at Willakenzie Grange in Eugene. That is the date, time, and place for the first State conference for Deaf Awareness and Family Health. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Lunch will be served and the agenda will include a guest speaker and hand outs.

A topic for discussion will be the development of proposed programs for use by the chairmen of Deaf Awareness and Family Health Committee in each Grange.

A current health concern is pertussis, commonly called whooping cough. Since May 2012, confirmed cases total 890 in Oregon. Immunization is very important as it is a deadly disease, particularly infants and small children, and is communicable by personal contact. Symptoms are similar to flu, including a "whooping" sound cough.

Have you ever wondered what becomes of dogs that are chosen for the Dogs for the Deaf program, but prove un-trainable? Stay Tuned!

Iva May Van Noy
OSG Deaf Awareness and Family Health Chairman



Carol Everman
OSG Energy Director

Energy Report

In June, I highlighted Governor Kitzhaber's 10-year energy plan. There is now a work group of legislators and other interested parties coming together to offer alternatives. The Oregon PUD Association adopted the principles presented by this group at their January meeting. By the time we meet in June, most of these points will be won or lost. I hope to offer updates to the progress of this more reasonable approach to Oregon's energy future.

Below are the guiding principles of the Work Group on Oregon Energy Policy, offering environmentally sound, economically feasible, and providing adequate energy resources for the future:

- The Governor's 10-Year Energy Plan provides important insight into the future challenges of maximizing energy efficiency and conservation while ensuring adequate, reliable and affordable energy supplies.
- Oregon's energy policies should recognize Oregon possesses a world class utility system that is a leader in cost effective investment in cleaner energy resources and efficiency programs.
- Oregon's energy policies should recognize Oregon is a leader in biofuel introduction.
- Oregon's energy policies should recognize Oregon's role in national and regional markets and enhance areas where the state has unique competitive advantages.
- Oregon's energy policies should strive to ensure that energy will be affordable for all customers.
- Oregon's energy policies should treat ratepayers as ratepayers – **not tax payers.**
- Oregon's energy policies should not apply a "one size fits all" approach.
- Oregon's energy policies should implement policies or programs that create an equal playing field for Oregon businesses in a competitive world market, resulting in positive impacts on the citizens of the state and no loss in jobs.

Carol Everman
OSG Energy Director



Lecturer's Report

Brothers and Sisters,

How important do you feel the Lecturer of you Grange is? Our Subordinate Grange Manual states that the Lecturer is assigned the important duty of leading the literary program and the educational work of the grange.

In planning your program check with your Master/President, at least two weeks prior to the meeting to see how much time is allowed for your program. If he says there is no time, think of having Lecturer's program prior to the meeting, especially if you have an outside speaker who is not a Grange member. Also, remember always have a Grange application ready to hand to the speaker after question time. Never miss a chance to invite the speaker to attend a upcoming meeting or staying for the evening meeting.

Every Lecturer has to be creative to look for ideas for their program. There are many sources to assist you. First, ask your own membership wherein lies their interest, check with your own friends, and pay attention between meetings to interesting items you might hear via radio, television, newspaper or when you attend another meeting. There is no better appreciation than to have one of your ideas to be used by someone else. As the Lecturer you may search for games (such as a small quiz), or make one up. For example, ask members what is their favorite flower and then do a presentation on what that flower represents. You can ask members to write their favorite flowers on a piece of paper with their names on it at one meeting and give the meaning of the flowers at the next meeting. Have the attending member guess who said that was their favorite flower. You can read an essay, play music or prepare song sheets for singing, read theme (holiday) stories or appoint (ask) another member to think of and execute the next literary program.

We, the District Directors and State Lecturer, are always ready to assist you in planning your programs. Note: Below are the District Chairman's and State Lecturer information:

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Pl., Pendleton, OR 97801
Ph – 541-278-0615

Remember as Lecturer of your Grange, you hold a very important position and your members will greatly appreciate your efforts to enrich your Grange meetings.

Fraternally Submitted,
Iva May Van Noy
District 2 Lecturer's Committee
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Jim Welsh
OSG Lobbyist

The lobbyist's Report

The 2013 Legislature – Link to all Legislative Information <http://www.leg.state.or.us/>
Each Legislative Session has its' own challenges, and the 2013 Session isn't expected to stand alone in history. The Oregon House of Representatives will be populated with 34 Democrats and 26 Republicans, and the Senate will be populated with 16 Democrats and 14 Republicans. The House Republicans have chosen their leadership for the 2013 Legislative Session. Rep. Mike McLane (R-Powell Butte) was chosen by his caucus members as the new House Republican Leader along with Rep. Julie Parrish (R-West Linn) as the new Deputy Republican Leader and Rep. Vicki Berger (R-Salem) as the new House

Republican Whip. Co-Speaker Bruce Hanna has chosen to step down from a leadership role this Session.

The House Democrats have selected as their 2013 leaders Tina Kotek (Dist. - 44, Portland) who will also be voted in as the Speaker of the House by the Democrat majority in the House, and Rep. Val Hoyle (Dist. 14 – Eugene) was chosen as Majority Leader. The Senate Democrats have selected Senator Peter Courtney (Dist.-11, Salem) as Senate President and Sen. Diane Rosenbaum (Dist. 21-Portland) as Senate Democrat Majority Leader. Senate President Courtney made this comment after being selected again, *"I have always believed that the Senate President is president of the entire Senate," Courtney said. "We will face difficult challenges in the next session and it has never been more important for Democrats and Republicans to work together to address the issues that matter most to the people of Oregon." Senator Rosenbaum's comment after her selection, "...I look forward to working in the upcoming 2013 session to focus on the right priorities: jobs, quality education and standing up for middle class Oregonians and small businesses."*

OSG Legislation in 2013

Presently, OSG has sponsored two bills resulting from the 2012 Annual Conference as approved by a majority of Delegates. The first Bill will legislatively represent OSG Resolution HW #1: Newborn Drug Screening, with the intent that each newborn child, in Oregon, shall receive a newborn drug screening test within one month of the date of birth. The second Bill will legislatively represent OSG Resolution HW #2: Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth, with the intent that the legislation would grant a parent the ability to apply to the state Department of Health for the certificate, known as the Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth, for the child.

Several other similar Grange Resolution concepts will be sponsored by other Legislators, individuals, and organizations. Labor Commissioner, Brad Avakian is sponsoring legislation similar to Grange ED #2: Career and Technical Education Teaching Licenses. The District Attorney Organization may have a bill that we could convince Legislators to amend in our "No Contact" order violations (LE #1). There is a special O&C Joint Task Force Co-Chaired by Rep. Hanna and Rep. Hoyle which could include an opportunity to ask for action on OSG Resolution

Enforce the O&C Act on all O&C Lands (LE #2).

There are no Legislative Concepts at this time on OSG Resolution Tenth Amendment (LE #3). However, due to the escalating "Gun Violence" and "Obama Care" subjects nationally, there may be a renewed interest in States Rights issues. And, to note, our Governor could be described as one of the strongest States Rights Governors in office. With the escalation of action and emotion involving the gun issue nationwide the OSG Resolutions Concealed Carry (LE # 4 and LE #6) will be taking a back seat to efforts for more "Gun Regulation" this Session.

OSG Resolution for Veterans Preference for Low-income Housing (VE # 2) is included in a work group addressing this issue and we will have the opportunity to be a sponsoring organization to help move this forward. OSG Resolution Market Vendor Insurance (FI #1) received a response from the State Insurance Division that will be published in the Grange Bulletin this month.

More 2013 Legislative Issue Proposals

This first round of bills added up to around 1200 new bills. Some represent new tax proposals, one in particular introduced by the League of Oregon Cities, would require an Oregon constitutional amendment, and if passed would give Oregon a California style taxing system which amends Measure 50 tax law. Some of the other tax reform ideas floating around will also need changes to our Oregon Constitution. And, if you don't already suspect that most of these Legislative proposals will cost most of us more money on an annual basis, please be aware that they will.

Another Legislative proposal we have heard about which may or may not cost you more is the proposal for a "mileage tax" which would require you to pay a per/mile fee/tax for traveling on the roads of our state (not including private roads and maybe county roads). This proposal will be directed at the fuel efficient automobiles that attain 55 miles or more per gallon efficiency. They may be required to report their mileage, include GPS tracking technology, or pay a flat fee. These issues will be determined during the Legislative committee work.

The possibility of a "water right" fee/tax per each water right you hold on an annual basis is soon to be in bill form as proposed by the Water Resources Commission. After several task

force meetings with the Water Resources Department it is apparent they need to provide more information on whether or not there will be a cap on the amount assessed due to the number of water rights held or accumulative dollar amount. Also, just what they are going to use the money for, in detail, and whether or not this will be an ongoing fee or a stop-gap measure during our present economic recession? The answer, partially, to that question is whether or not we will be successful in placing a sunset provision in the bill. Most often, a new fee or tax, once instituted, is not eliminated in the future because the bureaucracy always has a way to spend your dollars. And, on the same subject of water fees and taxes, we are anticipating the proposal for a broader water fee/tax that will include everyone using water including those of us on wells.

For years the Oregon State Fair has been running in a deficit and now that the Fair, under the control and management of the State Parks & Expo-Center, has established some black ink financially, there is another piece of legislation to make some significant changes to move the Fair under the control and management of the Oregon Tourism Commission. This may be a good move, but there is always the concern no matter where the Fair is placed, for control and management, there needs to be full understanding of how important agriculture is to their future existence.

With the most recent hype and attention placed on Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) and Genetically Modified Crops (GMC), especially in Jackson County, we anticipate legislation to address growing GMCs in Oregon.

Some of the agriculture community will be supporting the proposal to roll back the Driver ID requirements that became law in 2008. The more stringent present requirements, some have said, are unduly restricting some employees from being able to drive to work. Governor Kitzhaber commissioned a task force to look into this issue to determine whether or not there is legislation that can be drafted to keep people safe on the roads and let employees travel to work. This may be a fairly difficult task to accomplish due to the recent work and resulting legislation on the subject.

Legislative Update: By Jim Welsh,
Lobbyist
January 2013

GWA Report

I hope your holidays were as wonderful as mine. Being with family and reflecting on the true meaning of holidays is so enriching to the soul and spirit. Saying good bye to 2012 and hello to 2013 is the start of a new adventure that is to be looked forward to. Here's to a great year ahead.

Please encourage members who are still in school to apply for the GWA Scholarship. You will find the application on line. Applications are due May 15th. The sooner they start to work on them the less stressful it should be.

A big thank you for all those wonderful Granges and individuals who volunteered to sponsor contests this year. There are some interesting contests to be found in the Activities Planning Guide. There are a few contests that were not sponsored this year. Then again, there are some new ones that might tickle your fancy. Be sure and check out decorated cakes, decorated cupcakes, and all you affected by wheat and gluten or have family and friends who are, try the GF baked goods, (yum) unbaked cookies, crocheted or knitted premie hats and quilts and K-9 and feline gift packages. The K-9 and feline contests are sponsored by some very important 4 legged Grangers. Bailey, Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn felt we needed to help out animal shelters and came up with a contest to help due this. It doesn't take a person with special skills only a person with a kind heart. With such a wonderful selection of contests there is sure to be something of interest. National Grange should be sending out more information on this year's block contest. The information I have so far is as follows: the pattern is the Christmas Star, the block size is 12 1/2 inch (finished size is 12 inches with a 1/4 inch seam allowance on each side), the colors to be used are red, green and white.

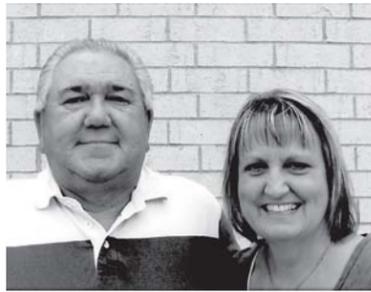
Don't forget those GWA donations: quillows, pull tabs, chemo hats, pillows and lap robes or money donated. When making your GWA related donations be sure to keep track, but even more important, be sure to have your camera ready to record those who did that labor of love and the donations they collected and created. If you have articles printed in the paper please send me a copy as well. We want to share these with our Grange brothers and sisters at our June State Grange session.

The GWA annual reports should be on their way to you. I hope I got the dates correct on

them. They are due no later than the end of March and the date they cover is from the first to the last day of 2012. Again, if you have any pictures or news articles or copies of thank you cards, please include them with the reports.

I will be looking for folks to help set up the GWA room. If you are planning to attend the State Grange session and would be willing to lend a hand, please let me know. There is plenty to do.

Mary Parrott
GWA Director



Membership Report

Many of us are diligent each year to make a personal New Year's Resolution that we strive to accomplish by year's end. That being said, how does this apply to your Grange? Well, January is the start of a new Grange year. Has your Grange made a New Year's Resolution? Getting your officers together for a planning meeting is a great way to make goals that your Grange officers would like to see accomplish. Brainstorming ideas for program topics, guest speakers, community service projects, fundraisers, and most importantly, planning membership drives to get new members into our Granges. Of course, all of these ideas that your officers' come up with will need to be brought up at your next Grange meeting for everyone to discuss and vote upon. The purpose of Officer's Meetings is to gather input in an informal setting so that when these ideas are brought up at the following Grange meeting, the meeting should run more smoothly and efficiently.

It was a privilege for us to attend National Grange Session for a few days. We attended a Workshop led by our National Leadership/Membership Director Michael Martin. He reported that there are 39 Grange states and that 9 states had a net gain in membership. He went on to say

that there are 2,048 community Granges and of those 461 of them had net gains in membership. Unfortunately, Oregon was not one of those 9 states with a net gain in membership, but it is a goal that our state will strive to achieve. At the Membership Luncheon on Wednesday three guest speakers shared how they traveled to 3 states last summer to promote Grange growth and revitalize interest in the Grange. The ideas that were suggested included: spreading the word through local newspapers, handing out flyers/pamphlets in the local area/neighborhoods, talking to people everywhere we go including museums, yard sales, or fairs to name a few. One of the speakers mentioned that it is important to wear the Grange logo, so people will ask questions. It's everyone's responsibility to get new members. Our National Master, Ed Luttrell reiterated, "This needs to be an organizational effort and necessity. We are all part of the team." We also attended a workshop led by our National Grange Communications Director, Amanda Leigh Brozana. She strongly urged Lecturers to ask guest speakers to come talk for their lecturer programs. We should advertise this in our local papers also. This is an excellent opportunity to get nonmembers into our Grange halls. She also went on to say she feels the Gatekeeper should be the Membership Chairman since he/she is the first person nonmembers talk to when they walk into our hall and thus gives the first impression of our Grange. E-Membership is also one way nonmembers can belong if they don't live near a Grange hall. All in all, attending National Grange was very informative and gave us a renewed energy as Membership Directors.

What is a good way to get new Grangers into the Grange? As was stated in the National Grange Bulletin recently, "Just Ask!"

Fraternally,
Sandi and Bob Ludi
State Grange Membership Directors



Grange Youth Campout July 12-14, 2013

Come one come all to the 7th annual Oregon State Grange Campout at Clear Lake Campground, Mt. Hood National Forest the weekend of July 12-14, 2013. The Youth Committee is delighted to sponsor this weekend of fun and fellowship for the 7th year in a row. The weekend is open to all Grange members, friends, and family. If you know someone you would like to introduce to the Grange, this campout is a perfect introduction! Tent camping is the norm, and you bring all your camping equipment, we take care of the cost for the campsite and Saturday night's dinner. Join us July 12-14, 2013 at Clear Lake Campground off Hwy 26 in the Mt. Hood National Forest. Space is limited so please reserve yours now by contacting Sarah Kingsborough by phone 414-510-0469 or email sarahkingsborough@gmail.com.

Youth Report

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

National Convention has come and gone. Our youth, Breanna Hayes (Overseer), Cole Wilson (Chaplain) and Brandon Parker (Steward) did an outstanding job in their responsibilities as National Youth Officers. Wish everyone could have sat with me to watch them open session, they were spot on. Just as important, they've brought back to Oregon energy, enthusiasm, new ideas and a commitment to continue growing our youth program. Lots of items to briefly touch on, so let's start typing.

- **There are two new national youth programs this year. Apathy Not Allowed** is a joint effort with the National Legislative Department to educate Grange Youth on legislative matters affecting them, their granges and our future. The program will educate youth on ways to advocate for

2013 OSG Legislative Experience Application

Mail to Cat Thomas, OSG Youth Director, 1649 NE Kane Dr, Gresham OR 97030-4538
OR eMail to OSG.Youth@gmail.com

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ eMail: _____

Grange: _____ County: _____

Member since (Month/Year ... best guess is acceptable): _____

If high school student, do you have your school's permission to participate? Yes No

Please provide response to the following ...use the back if necessary

Tell us about your interest in the legislative process

How do you see yourself using the knowledge gained from this legislative experience in the future?



Legislative Experience is April 22, 23 and 24th
Application Deadline: must be received by March 20, 2013

Oregon State Grange Youth Officer Application Due to the State Youth Director by April 15, 2013

Name: _____ Age (on June 1, 2012): _____

Address: _____

Grange: _____ Pomona: _____

Phone: _____ eMail: _____

What, if any, financial aide do you request from the Oregon Youth Activity Fund ?
(any financial aid acceptance implies you will participate in ALL youth activities)

Will you require youth housing Yes No

Will you accept banquet meal tickets Yes No

At this time, are you a delegate? Yes No

To assist the state youth team in making youth officer assignments, please share your preference for which offices to be considered.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Briefly explain your first choice

List current Grange Office(s) or Committee(s) held. Includes Subordinate and Pomona, please acknowledge any committee chairs.

List previous Grange Office(s) or Committee(s) held. Includes Subordinate and Pomona, please acknowledge any committee chairs.

What Grange contest/activities have you or are you planning to participate in?

What National Achievement Awards have you or are you planning to accomplish?
(Applications submitted with a completed National Trivia Challenge or two national achievement awards will receive preference in office assignments ... OSG financially supports the youth officers and, in turn, youth need to support the program at large.)

I agree that if I am selected to be a Youth Officer, I will attend all scheduled practice sessions and be prepared to open State Grange Session on Friday morning. I further agree that if I have a speaking part, I will have it fully committed to memory and recited to my Pomona Master by June 1st. Failure to prove memorization by June 1st can result in forfeiting your youth office. I will also wear the proper attire for the opening of the Oregon State Grange on Thursday morning. Dress code for men include: slacks, button-up shirt, jacket, tie and dress shoes. Dress code for women include: floor length dress (preferably with straps) and dress shoes. (Military dress uniform is allowed/ encouraged if serving on active duty). If you need help finding these items, please contact the Youth Director. You are expected to participate in the youth activities (delegate work is the priority) and lend a helping hand to any task requested.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

I affirm the first 4 degrees or the welcoming ceremony had been received when this application was signed (initials)



legislation they feel is important and how to shape public policy. **Grange Jeopardy** will bring youth and young adults who are interested in Grange trivia and history together in a competitive event. Individuals compete against each other earning points for correctly answering questions about the Grange and rural issues. Oregon will have a selection system which will consist of a written test to determine who will represent Oregon at regional competition. Watch for more details in the next bulletin.

- It's not too early to start encouraging your youth to consider applying for a place on the **State Youth Officer Team**. The application is printed elsewhere in this bulletin. Completing national achievement awards is important for the success of our program. For this reason, priority for offices is to be given to youth who complete the annual Trivia Challenge or complete two national achievement awards.
- Campsites for our annual **Clear Lake Camp Out** have been reserved and it's not too early to get these dates on your calendar: July 12-14th. As the date gets closer, we'll share more details.

By the time you read this bulletin, the first state youth team meeting for this year will be history. If you'd like to have a copy of the minutes visit the youth website page where they will be posted or you can eMail OSG.Youth@gmail.com to request a copy.

Grange Day at the Legislature hosted by our Legislative Department is April 24th. The **Oregon Legislative Experience** provides 3 youth the opportunity to learn how the government creates laws. Selected youth will spend three days at the capital working with the OSG lobbyist. They will attend hearings in committee, debates on the floor, visit their legislator and any other activity set up by the lobbyist. The experience will be April 22-24th. The participants will receive 2 nights lodging and dollars for meals. The application can be found elsewhere in the bulletin and the deadline for submitting to the State Director is March 20, 2013.

That is it for this edition. Until the next bulletin, keep encouraging the youth.
Cat



NOTICE OF 2013 ANNUAL POLICYHOLDERS' MEETING

The Annual Policyholders' meeting of the Grange Insurance Association will be held on Monday, March 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Grange Insurance Association, 200 Cedar Street, Seattle, Washington 98121.

All Grange Insurance Association policyholders are welcome to attend.

Signed at Seattle, Washington this 3rd day of December 2012.

Rodney A. King, CIC, AFIS
Corporate Secretary
GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

Grange Exchange

Columbia Grange #867

Columbia Grange 867, located in Hermiston Oregon, voted to become "Granger RV Friendly" at its regular December meeting. The idea originally was brought up by Randi Embree at the Oregon State Grange Session in Seaside, Oregon. Randi had stated that she and her family would like to explore more of Oregon, but with a limited budget that could be difficult. As a Grange Member, she was wondering if local granges would consent to allowing members to stay on their property if they were self contained. Columbia Grange is located on Diagonal Road just on the outskirts of Hermiston, Oregon. We meet the first and third Fridays, and offer a community breakfast on the second Saturday of the month from 7am to 10am. Grangers with self-contained units are welcome to stay on our grounds, and encouraged to attend our meetings and breakfast. For more information and specific directions, contact can be made with Master Tom Serface at: 541-567-9742.

Scot Jacobson

Leedy Grange #339

Leedy Grange has been gaining new members recently and our officer's roll call is showing them to be active members. Due to many of them having busy lives Leedy Grange recently voted to change the meeting time to the 3rd Thursday of each month beginning with the February meeting. The business meeting will start at 6:30pm. The Key Club and a few new members will be helping Leedy Grange with our annual sausage & gravy breakfast February 16, beginning at 9am.

Wishing everyone a healthy & prosperous 2013



2013 EVENTS @ HARDING GRANGE #122

21552 S. Fischer Mill Rd, Estacada

Ham Dinner: March 3, 11 am – 3 pm

Pancake Breakfast: March 30, 8 am – 10 am

Easter Egg Hunt: March 30, 9 am

Spring Craft Faire: May 10 & 11
9 am – 6 pm

Annual Flea Market & Garage Sale
June 28, 29 & 30
Fri & Sat: 9 am – 6 pm, Sun: 9 am – 4 pm

Fall Craft Faire in the Country
October 11 & 12, 9 am – 6 pm

Old Time Fiddlers: October 13th
Jam Starts @ 1 pm

Turkey Dinner: November 3, 11 am – 3 pm

EVENT INFORMATION: 503 631-2012
HALL RENTAL: 503 631-2160

Columbia Grange #267 Gets a Face-Lift

Look out the windows of Columbia Grange #267 and you will see one of America's most iconic places - the mighty Columbia River Gorge surrounded by wilderness. Columbia Grange #267, situated on a hill overlooking this scenic beauty, can now look inward as well. The 103 year old building has had another face-lift. Grange Master Brad McCarty viewed the finishing touches of the interior paint job this week saying, "It looks great, doesn't it?" Like so much at this Grange, the painting of the interior wall and ceiling was a volunteer effort undertaken by several individuals. Arnold Dufresne, director of the 501(c)3 *Columbia Gorge Helping Hands Food Salvage* program, was instrumental in bringing the painting renovation about. Dufresne is also the Grange's Building Chairman, and in a conversation with fellow Corbett resident, Ron Scott, the need for a new roof on the Grange building was discussed.

"What else?" asked Scott, mentally deciding that the immense work of a new roof might be beyond his volunteerism.



Ron Scott, volunteer painter

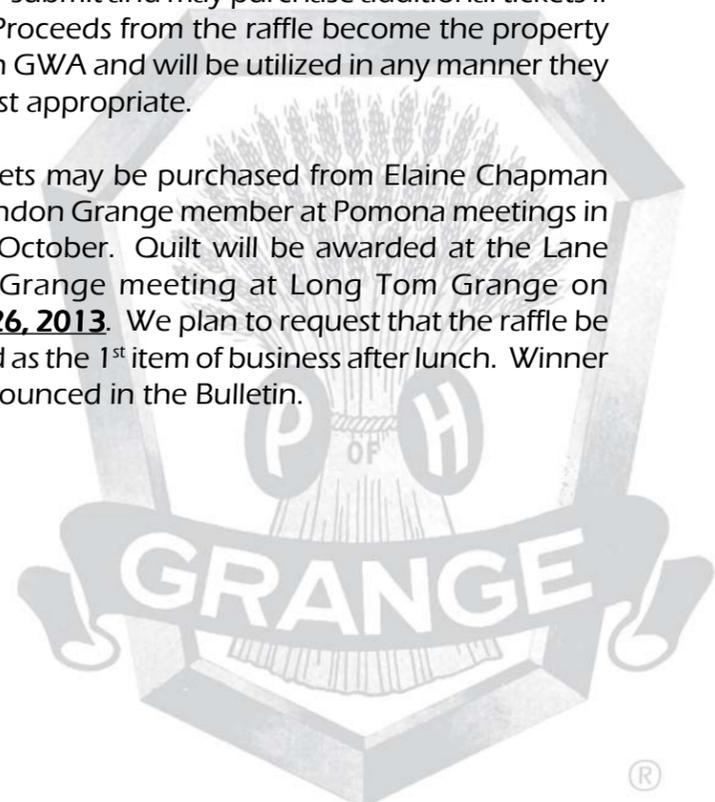
"Well, as a Grange, we have been talking about repainting the interior for years now.....even picked out the colors," replied Dufresne. The longstanding deep tan and brown interior had kept the Grange Hall looking dark and uninviting.

After a moment's reflection, Scott said, "If you can wait until January, I can help." Ron Scott enlisted the aid of two friends, Don Haevisher and Mike Thomas, and the three reappeared mid - January with paint and equipment. They transformed the interior space in one weekend. Now, the bright walls and ceiling, set off with a medium green for the trim, make the large space clean-looking and inviting. The Grange membership is now ordering comfortable cushions for the long wooden wall-benches.

Several years ago, Columbia Grange addressed the dilapidated state of the building's exterior in a large renovation. Now, just the roof and floors need attention. The membership - and the community - is grateful for the volunteer efforts of Ron Scott, Don Haevisher, and Mike Thomas in creating the welcoming, fresh look of the often busy Hall.

London Grange #937 QUILT BLOCK CONTEST

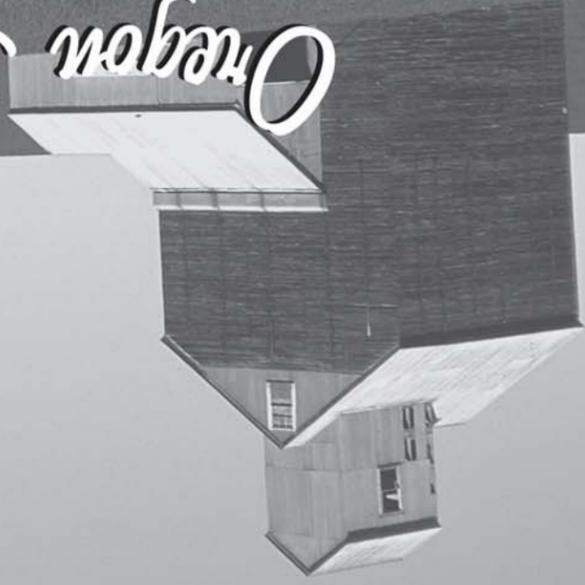
- ❖ We need to know how many folks want to participate in the 2013 Quilt Block contest by or before **March 1, 2013** so we'll have time to assemble fabric packets. London GWA will furnish you with a packet containing 5 pieces of fabric, each measuring about 10"x12"
- ❖ At the suggestion of the Pomona GWA the cost for each fabric packet is **\$10** to be paid to Elaine Chapman (for the London GWA) which will help pay for the fabric purchased. You can buy more than one packet and make more than one quilt block. Quilt Blocks may be made by any Grange member in Oregon.
- ❖ Fabric packets will handed out at the Lane Pomona Grange meeting at Lorane Grange on **April 27, 2013** or will be mailed to you if you can't attend that meeting.
- ❖ Quilt blocks may be pieced or appliquéd. However, no buttons, lace or other ornaments may be added. You must use **only** the fabric in your packet to make the quilt block. And, when the Quilt Block is completed it **must** measure **12½" x 12½"**
- ❖ Deadline for completion of quilt blocks is **July 13, 2013**. Quilt Blocks are to be brought to the Lane Pomona Grange meeting at Walterville Grange by 10:00 a.m. If you're not able to come to the Pomona meeting, quilt blocks should be mailed to Elaine Chapman, at 1534 Jason Lee Avenue, Cottage Grove, OR 97424 **at least one week before** Pomona meeting. If you need more information, Elaine's phone number is (541) 942-9681.
- ❖ Quilt Blocks become the property of London GWA and will be displayed at the **July 13th** Pomona meeting where we'll have a "People's Choice" vote on all the quilt blocks submitted. The maker of the winning quilt block will be awarded a prize.
- ❖ The quilt blocks will be made into a quilt by the London GWA. The number of blocks submitted determines size of the quilt. We'll use as many of the quilt blocks as possible. If extra blocks remain after determining the size of the quilt, they become the property of London GWA and may later be used in a donation to a worthy cause of our choice.
- ❖ We will hold a **Raffle** to determine the winner of the Quilt. Tickets will cost **\$1 each** or **six for \$5**. Grange members who make a quilt block and return it to the London GWA will be given **12 raffle tickets** for each quilt block they submit and may purchase additional tickets if desired. Proceeds from the raffle become the property of London GWA and will be utilized in any manner they deem most appropriate.
- ❖ Raffle tickets may be purchased from Elaine Chapman or any London Grange member at Pomona meetings in July and October. Quilt will be awarded at the Lane Pomona Grange meeting at Long Tom Grange on **October 26, 2013**. We plan to request that the raffle be scheduled as the 1st item of business after lunch. Winner to be announced in the Bulletin.



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