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An Evening with Nedra State Master to Dedicate New Hall 75 Years with the Barlow Gate Grange

On the evening of August 6th, the Barlow Gate Grange #157 of Wamic, Oregon was privileged to host a very special event: Award and recognition of 75 years of Grange membership to Mrs. Nedra Faught.

Many friends, neighbors and Grange members were in attendance to honor this very popular woman with several delightful tales of past accomplishments and activities.

After several tables full of food, Dan VanVactor acted as emcee sharing a long and varied history of Nedra's accomplishments and dedication to community and Grange alike replete with her history, life accomplishments and contributions throughout these 75 years, followed by the presentation of the unique certificate commemorating her continued membership.

Of significant note, the Oregon State Grange Master, Susan Noah traveled from the Salem area to further enhance the proceedings. Nedra was indeed humbled and proud.

She was born and raised in the South Wasco County area, married the local Wamic school teacher, raised two wonderful daughters (Theresa Barber and Vicki Matthew) and has been involved with community activities and Grange events during these past 75 years.

OSG Master Susan Noah presents Sister Nedra Faught with her 75 years of membership certificate.



Admitting that she became a member a little before the authorized age limit, she is justifiably proud of her service to this great organization.

Nedra, always with quick wit, tickled the gathering with many Grange related remembrances sprinkled with humor and that special twinkle in her eyes. Many shared stories of their association with Nedra, often interrupted with her cautions "Keep it clean, young man, there are a lot of youngsters here!" (it should be noted that no one under the age of 50 were in attendance.)

A modest, graceful and very active woman, Nedra has earned the respect and esteem of those who have enjoyed her company. Truly a wonderful woman who has contributed much to her every endeavor, to the community and especially to the Barlow Gate Grange.

It is not often we can pay homage to any member with a 75 year membership, and not often we can enjoy special people like Nedra Faught.

Congratulations, young lady...a job very well done indeed.

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New Digs For South Fork Grange The new Grange hall will be ready to dance in by Founders Day.

Kathleen Ellyn, Wallowa County Chieftain, published Sept. 20, 2015

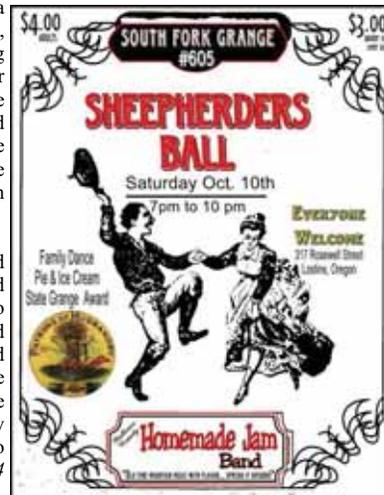
LOSTINE — The South Fork Grange is rising from the ashes and planning a Founders Day to beat all. When their Grange hall burned to the ground in February 2014, the 22 Grangers of South Fork Grange vowed to be back — and now they'll be hosting the "The Shepherd's Ball" on Founders Day, Oct. 10, in the new digs.

The new hall is on Rosewell Street in Lostine and is a house expansion gone wrong for the original builders, but just right for the Grangers. "We did a lot of looking at other places and then working on this one to see if it was usable," said Grange secretary June Colony.

The "house" began life in the '50s as a tiny dwelling with nothing much to recommend it. It was expanded upon in the '80s and at that time an excellent foundation was put in and the inside of the large expansion was framed, but not finished. Then, it sat for 30 years.

The property was a good bargain for the Grange. It started as eight lots (1.5 acres) and a number of buildings, but after a very long negotiation, the seller agreed to split off the house/expansion and two lots for the Grangers. Two usable outbuildings came in the deal.

The Grangers had limited funds — they'd sold their old lot to Norton Welding and the state Grange had held funds from the sale of the Wallowa Grange in trust for them. They had enough money to



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The Master's Column

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Master ~ Oregon State Grange

As usual, when the time comes to write this article I find that my mind is blank! Of course dozens of ideas have come and gone, things I know need to be addressed, great ideas I have had, and words of wisdom that I know you are all waiting for. Instead I sit at the computer and struggle to remember a single item. But this month I had the wisdom to make a note of one thing that struck me as being insightful. I read a line in a journal I hope always sticks with me. It was:

"Notice that the most fascinating people are in the habit of talking about what they are for rather than what they are against. Their optimism attracts support and propels them forward"

It reminds me that we, as Grangers, should always be optimistic in our outlook and in our efforts to keep our organization alive and well. If we speak of the great things that we do, the wonderful times we have, and the remarkable and talented family we belong to, who would not want to join with us? However, if we say that we are a dying organization, who really needs new members just to pay the bills – would you join? A good attitude goes a long way in life.

As an accountant I was always the one in the office who reined in the salesmen. Talk about optimistic people! Now I see a little more of the other side. In order to "make the sale" or "close the deal" with new members, we have to be optimistic. And in reality that optimism is nothing more than remembering what is good about the organization and relating those stories, rather than the difficulties we are having or have overcome. I want to hear that the small Grange I'm joining has been giving the local school a small amount of school supplies, or has been donating paper products to the local women's shelter, rather than hearing about the great things they did in the past, but are now too small, too old,

or too tired to do. So let's give ourselves a push forward and remember the good times, those in the past and those yet to come.

A few weeks ago we opened the Log Cabin at the State Fair and welcomed over 2,000 people. Each year we make use of the opportunity afforded us by the State Fair management and recruit volunteers to spend a few hours working in the Log Cabin in return for a ticket to the fair. This year we had over 70 members volunteer, and they met people from all over the State, some Grangers, some who were interested in joining, and a lot with stories about the Grange in their community. Our theme was "We're in your neighborhood," and most people who came in took the time to look through the pictures of Grange halls hoping to see one of the Grange near them. The State Fair runs for ten days, and it is a time of pure public relations for us. Put the Log Cabin on your calendar for next year and join as a volunteer to promote the Grange.

And while you are putting things on your calendar, please note that the Oregon State Grange office will again host a Holiday Open House. This year's is on December 13th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Jan, Suzy and I are all looking forward to visiting with you while enjoying snacks and desserts, and if we are all good perhaps we'll have an early visit from Santa Clause! More information will be mailed soon.

As we transition from the warm and wonderful days of summer to the crisp colors of fall remember to let your optimism show in all you do and say. Be a salesman for the Grange and close the deal with those potential members. Then as we celebrate the holidays at the open house you can relate your stories of what your Grange is doing and how your new members are loving their new Grange family!



Bailey Barks!

You know a lot of the time I seem to be left home while Mom and Dad travel, but in September I got to go to a great meeting at Barlow Gate Grange. They were having a barbeque dinner and an auction fundraiser to support their scholarships. Funny thing about the dinner, Mom and Dad both wanted to take me for a walk during that time. Mom ate, then Dad ate, but where was my pulled pork sandwich? All I got was exercise!

Actually just kidding, I did get a "doggie bag" from Mom. But during the auction I was the center of attention, although maybe cause I was laying in the middle of the aisle asleep while all the bidding was going on. Oh well, I did get another nap in while Mom was trying to fit a vase with manzanita limbs into the trunk of the car – Dad was keeping out of the way. It was a nice drive and I met some very nice people at Barlow Gate, and they are good cooks!

Hope to see you all at the Holiday Open House at the State Grange office and until then here's a Christmas joke to start the holiday season.

Question: What do you get when you cross a pointer with a setter?

Answer: A poinsetter, a traditional Christmas pet.

Woof, Bailey



Master Susan Noah honored those Brothers and Sisters with 50 years or more of membership who were present at the Kick-Off Banquet at this year's state convention.

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Rockford Grange Sponsors Crop Talks

Rockford Grange #501 in Hood River county sponsors a gathering of food producers, farmers and gardeners called Crop Talks. Crop Talks have been meeting for the last two years starting in February, where folks come to have informal conversations about growing food. Ideas are shared, issues discussed, problems solved and a general supportive community has formed.



In the foreground, Grangers Aera Atkins and Robbie Lapp visit and dish up during one of this summer's Crop Talks.

During the summer months, Crop Talks moves out into the farms and gardens for tours and potluck. This has netted Rockford several new members and even more interest in the Grange. Over 30 attended the last Crop Talk tour and potluck on Monday August 24.

The Agricultural Report

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You all know *EVERYONE* is involved in Agriculture, some as producers and all as consumers. The Patrons of Husbandry was founded on the improvement of agriculture and rural communities, and in the last few decades there has been a strong renewal of the awareness of Americans of their relationship to agriculture and new understanding of the connections between food quality and health.

This can be an important growth period for the Grange, if we work, and if we answer the common questions "What is the Grange?" and "What does the Grange do?" with answers that show our Granges share peoples' interests in healthy food and healthy communities. We also provide real life social contact with neighbors, and fun activities like meals, entertainment, and interesting presentations. Our halls also do good works, strengthening their communities.

Farmers Markets, Community Supported Agriculture (CSA – farm boxes), and the locally grown foods being highlighted in large chain grocery stores, all demonstrate that people are paying attention to subtle differences in taste, freshness, and perceived health benefits, and are willing to expend time and additional cash to support these options, and to share in the benefits.

"Food System" in a way that was nearly unimaginable 30 years ago. Our "Food System" includes all processes and infrastructure involved in feeding a population: growing, harvesting, processing, packaging, transporting, marketing, consumption, and disposal of food and food-related items.

One example of the food system just walked up to my door. A man working for the local Gleaners group had left us a note on our door, earlier, asking if we would possibly allow the gleaners to pick the apples of our street-side tree. Our local gleaner organization is a community based, all volunteer program that gleanes food locally and redistributes to local food banks and qualified recipients (perhaps the fatherless and the widows mentioned in our Grange closing?).

We offered our apples and showed the trees in our backyard, from which we have picked our fill, for their use as well. Even the spoiled fruit on the ground can go to a pig farmer, with whom they work, trading pig food now for pork later, to be distributed, the man told us.

Our Community Granges should be ready to welcome these agriculturally interested neighbors. Welcome them into our halls with open arms and into our Grange family.

People are interested in their "Food

UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS

Pomona Secretaries are to send in meeting information to the Bulletin Editor as soon as date, time, and location are determined and/or changed.

Pomona	Date	Time	Meeting Place
Baker #24	Nov 7	10:30 AM	Pine Valley
Benton #36	Oct 17	10:30 AM	TBA
Clackamas #1	Oct 24	10:00 AM	Boring-Damascus
Columbia #18	Nov 7	10:00 AM	Yankton
Coos-Curry-West Coast #30	Oct 24	10:00 AM	Smith River
Deschutes #25	Nov 14	10:00 AM	Pine Forest
Douglas #13	Oct 24	6:00 PM	Riversdale
Jackson #27	Nov 9	10:00 AM	TBA
Josephine #20	Nov 31	10:00 AM	Fruitdale
Lane #14	Oct 10	10:00 AM	Walterville
Lincoln #10	Nov 21	10:30 AM	Siletz Valley
Linn #12	Oct 10	10:00 AM	Lacomb
Marion #4	Oct 17	10:00 AM	Fairfield
Polk #3	Oct 17	10:00 AM	Oak Grove
Tillamook #9		10:30 AM	TBA
Umatilla #26	Oct 24	10:30 AM	White Eagle
Wallowa #22	Oct 10	10:00 AM	North End
Washington-Yamhill #2	Oct 24	10:00 AM	Washington

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- Prepare for professional advisor meetings

Two locations to choose from:

Medford: Friday, November 6th, 2015 & Saturday, December 12th, 2015

Klamath Falls: Saturday, November 7th, 2015 & Friday, December 11th, 2015

All sessions run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Lunch is provided.

Seminar registration fee is \$40 per person which is used to cover meal costs. Please note at least one person from the current (owning) generation and one person from the next generation must attend both workshops.

Registration Deadline: October 23rd, 2015
For more details, or to register, visit www.osgrange.org or call 800-859-7609

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We wish to thank everyone who took time to sign the card at state session. It meant so much to us. We wish we could have been there but our health won't allow the travel.

Fraternally,

Wayne and Cathy Johnston



The Lecturer's Column

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Brothers and Sisters,

Fall is just around the corner! It is time for cooler weather and less vacationing; time to come to Grange meetings and visit other Granges.

I visited a Grange the other night and their Lecturer had such a fun program. Each member put their name on a piece of paper. The Lecturer asked them to answer questions: 1) What is your favorite color? 2) What car best describes you? 3) Famous person you admire? 4) A nick name someone calls you?

The Lecturer picked up the papers and read some aloud, not saying the person's name and the rest of the members tried to guess who she was talking about. It was a fun activity and you found out things about your fellow Grangers. You can change the questions to suit your group.

September is the beginning of school and learning new things. Lecturers

please include educational topics in your programs: winterizing your home, protecting your home against burglary or preventing fires in your chimney to name a few. Better yet invite the fire department or police department to speak at your meeting.

We are happy to announce the calendars are going to the printers. Letters are being sent to all Granges and there is an order form included in this Bulletin. Cost is \$12.00; each calendar month has a photograph from the Lecturer's photo contest. Proceeds from the sale will be split between the Membership committee and Lecturer's department. Thank you in advance if you choose to buy a calendar.

Lecturers remember to ask your officers and members to be a part of your programs. If you have questions or need suggestions, contact the state Lecturer's committee for help.

New Digs For South Fork Grange *cont. from page 1*

negotiate with, Colony said, and in the end, "The owners were really generous with us," said Colony. "We closed in June. The foundation is top-notch, the building is entirely suitable — it's just ugly right now." But ugly is fixable and best of all the interior framing can be safely removed to create a large hall.

A work party is scheduled for Sept. 25 starting at noon. Refreshments will be provided and volunteers are asked to bring hammers, crowbars and work gloves.

The good thing about the strange design of the building is that the tiny house can be remodeled so that sliding doors open into the hall. With those doors closed, the little house serves as a meeting room which will eventually have handicap access bathrooms and a full commercial kitchen. The benefit of that is that, when meetings are held, Grangers don't have to heat the entire hall, just the little house.

Savings like that are important, said Colony, because the Grange exists to serve the community. "Our money goes through and out the door," she said. "We support FFA, the fairgrounds, personal needs in the community, seed swaps and more. We give scholarships for everything from art and camps to agricultural education."

When the remodel is completed the building will house a spacious community hall suitable for dances, weddings, anniversaries, political debates, water meetings and many other community gathering needs.

The Grange is footing the bill for a new tin roof and upgraded septic system and Wildhorse Foundation has provided a \$15,000 grant to cover the cost of Phase I projects: wiring, insulation, sheetrock, windows and flooring work.

Phase II of the remodel will include the installation of a commercial kitchen. Wiley Frei, owner of Main Street Grill in Wallowa, recently purchased the Odd Fellows Rebekah Hall in Wallowa and donated the entire commercial kitchen to the Grange. Grangers are petitioning Wildhorse Foundation again for a grant to bring that up to code and install it along with the two handicap accessible bathrooms.

"We'll be completely ready to be part of the community again by spring," Colony said. "The bathroom and kitchen that is already there is sufficient to take care of immediate needs."

In the meantime, the hall will be ready for dancing to the music of Homemade Jam, 7-10 p.m. Oct. 10 at 317 Rosewell Street, Lostine. It's a family dance with pie and ice cream social.

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Left to right: June Colony, Grange Secretary; Vicki Crane, head of the Grange building committee, and Rhee Lathrop, the Grange member with the longest continuous membership are standing inside the framing that will come down to create a hall space in the new South Fork Grange location.



2016 Calendar Available

The OS Grange Lecturer's Department and Membership Team have joined forces to bring the membership a new tool to promote the Grange. The calendar highlights the talents of Grange members and their photography. The calendar also captures important holidays and Grange dates where Grange member participation is valued, such as the Annual FFA Convention and Ag Fest where we get to promote the benefits of Grange membership to the public at large.

Thirteen stunning photographs selected from the Lecturer's photography contest at the 2015 Convention in Pendleton grace the pages of this wall calendar. The cover features Stacy Clute's "Best of Show" photo that is representing Oregon at this year's National Grange convention.

Consider ordering a calendar today. Hang it in your Grange hall or home; give it to friends, neighbors and co-workers. Use it to generate opportunities to talk about the Grange; the fun things such as the photography contest and the more serious work we do in our communities.

To order, complete the form below and mail along with your payment to our State Lecturer, Jeanie Force, 9365 SW Palouse Ln, Tualatin OR 97062. Calendars will be mailed starting in early October.

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Membership Directors ~ Oregon State Grange

Happy Fall Grangers!

Hope it has been a busy summer for your Grange!

Sandi had the pleasure of attending the Western Regional Leadership Conference in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Workshops were led by our National Membership Director, the National Youth Director, and the Overseer of the Minnesota State Grange. All three speakers touched on Membership. We will be using some of the material presented at Regionals during the Leadership Conferences early next year. Dates for the conferences will be announced forthcoming.

Has your Grange marked the space on the Quarterly Report that your Grange would like Membership help? We want to stress that it is not the Secretary's decision alone to mark that. It should be the Grange's decision. Unfortunately, by marking that it doesn't mean the State Membership Committee will be bringing new members to your Grange. Wish it were that easy. By marking that it means that State Grange will be mailing your Grange a Membership Idea Booklet. Your members can use it as a tool to attract new members. It has the nuts and bolts of how to plan an event. Your Grange can choose one of the events in the booklet to try or one of your own.

Your District Membership Chairman



Granges With Net Gain In Membership For 2013-14 Honored

These Granges were honored at this year's state convention by National Grange for a net gain in membership for 2013-14 - Bridge #730, Camas Valley #521, Central #360, Central Point #698, Chetco #765, Enterprise #489, Fairfield #720, Fairmount #252, Forest Grove #282, Frogpond #111, Fruitdale #379, Gresham #270, High Desert Community #482, Hope #269, Hurricane Creek #608, Irving #377, Jasper #532, Junction City #744, Lake Creek #697, Lowell #745, Midland #781, Mohawk Valley Community #922, Mohawk-McKenzie #747, Mosier #234, North Pacific #911, Redwood #760, Rockwall #679, Salmon River #516, Siletz Valley #558, Silverton #748, Skyline #894, South Fork #605, Spray #940, Springwater #263, Sunny Valley #916, Sunnyside #842, Sutherlin Community #724, Terrebonne #663, The Sandy #392, Thomas Creek #581, Washington #313, Western Star #309, White Eagle #683, Wickiup #722 and Williams #399.

will be contacting your Grange to see what event you have decided to try. They will meet with your members and help get your plan into action. Advertising is the key to success. Contacting a member of the Oregon State Grange Communications Team or Cat Thomas (District 4 Membership Chairman) for ideas would be very worthwhile. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact us or your District Membership Chairman.

In this issue of the bulletin you will see an order form to purchase a 2016 Grange Calendar. The Oregon State Grange Lecturer's Department in conjunction with the Oregon State Grange Membership Department is creating this calendar that will be available to purchase in October. Each calendar is \$12.00. The pictures chosen for the calendars were selected from photos in the Oregon State Grange Photography Contest from this past State Grange Session in Pendleton, Oregon. Thank you to those who agreed to have their photos used. Proceeds from the sale of the calendars will be split between the two departments. Now is the time to start planning holiday activities for your Grange. It is a great way to get prospective new members into your hall.

Don't delay...plan today!

One new member at a time.

Next Generation Grange Leaders

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How many years have you been Master of your Subordinate Grange, or Secretary, or Lecturer? It is important to plan for your successor; the best businesses, and other organizations, plan ahead to identify and prepare the next generation of leaders to ensure the future of the entity.

The Grange should be no different from other forward-looking organizations. Too often I hear dear Grangers talking about and sharing their very best experiences of their Grange journey, however they tend to be looking behind them to the glory days of their Grange experience. We need our most experienced leaders to share their skills with those who will lead our Granges in the years to come.

It feels wonderful and it is exciting to be in charge of a successful enterprise, be it a Grange or a farm or another business. However, I propose that it feels even better to watch a person you have identified as having leadership potential as you transfer your officer sash to them and support them as they become, in many cases, even a better leader than you have been. Take pride in their success. You share it with them.

By recognizing that you cannot lead a Grange forever, and by identifying and training your successor while you still have the energy to do so, you are perpetuating our Order for future generations.

Please be aware that stepping aside

while you are still in your prime and mentoring your chosen successor promotes an orderly transition and ensures a strong organization. When we hold on to our positions because "nobody else can do it as well" or "nobody else will do it properly," we slowly realize that those we might have mentored have left for other places where their talents will be utilized. As a result, we may become bitter in our position of leadership because we cannot find anyone to take our place.

I encourage your Grange to review your membership roll and officer list.

Does your Grange see a regular and orderly transition of officers? New blood and new ideas on a regular basis is generally healthy for any organization. Many organizations have term limits in their bylaws to insure there is transition. How often is "on a regular basis?" That is a relative term; for some Granges, changing officers every four or six years is the norm. For others it may be two years or it may be ten years. The important thing is to identify your successor while you still have the energy and good health to guide and mentor them.

As I look back over my Grange journey, I am very grateful to and thankful for my many mentors. Some of my mentors were my own age and others had several additional decades of life experience to share with me. I could not have become a competent Grange leader without their able and willing guidance.

National Grange Membership Director Bids Farewell

Patrons:

The past four years of my professional life have afforded me the opportunity to work alongside many of you to support the State and Subordinate Granges across the nation. I am continually amazed at what our Brothers and Sisters are accomplishing in so many communities and am exceedingly proud to be a member of our family fraternity.

However, a new chapter in my life's journey calls me back to the 4-H Youth Development Program where I have devoted the previous 25 years working with youth and volunteers. I will be an Extension Educator, District 16 4-H Educator in the Department of Penn State Extension, Franklin County, based in south central Pennsylvania. I will leave my position as leadership/membership development director of The National Grange on September 30th.

I have had the privilege of working with America's oldest farm, family fraternal Order and I thank you for the many courtesies extended to me.

I will always remember my time on your national staff with great fondness. I shall remain an active Patron of Husbandry and looking forward to seeing many of you as we continue our Grange journey.

Fraternally yours,

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Grange Workers Activites Director ~ OSG

Greetings to all! Fall is here there is a coolness in the air and the sun is setting earlier in the day. This is a good time of year to decide what you may enter in next year's contests and get started. This is also the time of the year to get our Grange halls decorated for fall. Many of our Granges have fall and Christmas Bazaars coming up; be sure that your entry way and hall are inviting.

In the last bulletin were the winners of the contests. There were a few errors. Here are the corrections:

Hot Pad or Mitt Crocheted/ Knitted:

- 1st Betty Prichard, nonmember
- 2nd Doris Reid, Columbia #867
- 3rd Myra Boyd, Riversdale #731

Hot Pad or Mitt any fabric:

- 1st Sue Westbrook, Myrtle Creek #442
- 2nd Hannele Gauthier, Goshen #561
- 3rd Laurene Brown, non-member

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National Quilt contest:

3rd Carol Rice, Columbia #267

Donation monies from GWA were sent to **A Family for Every Child, Ronald McDonald House, Friends of the Children** and the **Make-A-Wish Foundation**. Each organization was very grateful for the donation. (See side bar below for information on these groups)

Sponsors reminder: November 1st is the deadline to let me know if you are continuing to sponsor your contest. Payment for the contests is May 1st. Thank you to those who have committed to another year and to those who also have paid. There is one contest that I know needs a sponsor - the Pin Cushion contest. If you or your Grange would be interested in being a sponsor for this contest please let me know before November 1st.

May you all have a great fall!

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Applesauce Walnut Bread

Recipe provided by Bonnie Sims - Secretary of Midland Grange #781, Klamath County;
1st place in Fruit Breads at the 2015 OSG GWA contest.

- 3 eggs
- 2 cups white sugar
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 2 cups applesauce*
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/4 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 cup raisins (optional)
- 3/4 cup walnuts

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- Grease and flour two 9 x 5 inch loaf pans
- Beat together eggs, sugar and oil
- Blend in applesauce and then sour cream
- Mix in flour, baking powder, soda, and cinnamon
- Stir in nuts and raisins if adding to bread
- Pour batter into prepared pans

Bake for 80 minutes. Wait ten minutes before removing from pans and cool on wire racks.

*If your applesauce is chunky, mash it down a little.





Team "Love Connection" sponsored by Ada Grange, Cancer Survivors, Joy McCourt, Darlene Jorgenson and Linda Pugh.

Ada Grange Participates In Florence Relay For Life

Florence recently held their annual Relay For Life Event at Miller Park, a 12 hour event where teams walk laps to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Ada Grange's sponsored Team "Love Connection" participated for the 13th year raising over \$5000 since the Relay Kick-off in January and earning Gold Level in Fundraising. One member of Ada's team, Joy McCourt was the top individual fundraiser turning in over \$1300 and becoming a member of the "Grand Club" for anyone that raises over \$1000.

Team co-captains Loni and Megan Schofield kept team members busy with many fundraisers including a Pampered Chef party, a Tupperware party, garage sale, New to You Items for sale in Grange hall, food court workers, monster cookies and plants for sale during the event.

Team "Love Connection" had 13 Grange members (three are cancer survivors) and three non-Grangers participating, total including Ada's three Junior members Jordan Williams and Terry and Taylor Elliott.



Team "Love Connection" Co-captains Loni and Megan Schofield.



Serving are Eva Frost and Roberta Leuer of Warren Grange, sitting on the porch are Bruce and David Wallace of Fernhill Grange.

Columbia County Pomona Serves Hood-to-Coast Participants

Columbia County Pomona Granges served chili wraps to the Hood-to-Coast walkers and runners at Natal Grange. The past three years they have served individual pizzas, baked in an outdoor oven that is located behind the Natal Grange. Due to the extreme fire danger this year and no fires in the woods, the backup plan was to do the wraps. Despite

the rain storm that came through just after midnight, the wraps were a big hit.

Natal Grange has been a famous stop for breakfast and food for the Hood-to-Coast participants that are on their way to the finish line in Seaside. Natal, Beaver Valley, Fern Hill and Warren Granges participated in this all night event.

Community Involvement



Eva Frost
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Community Service and Involvement Director
Oregon State Grange

The **Annual Community Service Report** is a record of your Grange's "Community Service" activities and is very important. It is exciting to see the different articles and pictures of your Grange's activities in the Bulletin. Good Job! As we approach the end of the year, you should be ready to record your activities on the Annual Report form for this 2015 year. The report will not change a lot but I will send your Grange a copy of the new form around November. You will also be able to download it from the State Grange website. I would love to see more reports and Yearbooks at the 2016 State session next year.

For the **Volunteer of the Year** program your Subordinate Grange needs to send the nomination to the Director (me) for judging. Start thinking about who you would like to nominate for Volunteer of the Year. I hope to receive more applications for Volunteer of the Year for 2016. Start thinking about who you would like to nominate for Volunteer of the Year.

National Grange introduced a NEW program this year, the "Dick Patten Community Service Person of the Year Award," to recognize a **Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) and Firefighter (FF) of the year**. We all know that these public servants do an outstanding job of protecting our community. Your Grange may have recognized one of these individuals at several of your events this past year. Application forms were sent to each Grange and can also be found on the State Grange website. The deadline for 2015 has passed but you may want to get a head start for this next year.

The **Annual Food Bank Drive** will not change this next year. I challenge each Grange to help alleviate hunger in your community by supporting your local food bank. September was National Food Drive month. I trust your Grange participated in feeding your local area. We can't meet the needs of the world, but one bowl or one bag at a time; we can help feed the hungry in our own community.

As we start cleaning out our gardens, remember to take your extra produce to your local Food Bank. Your Grange should track the money, time or food your members donate to your local food bank. The Grange with the highest donations logged on their 2015 Annual Report will be recognized at the 2016 State Grange Convention.

Most of us, as Grangers, donate or volunteer hours of service within our community. This is a good way of "Giving back to the Community" and expanding your involvement within your community.

Remember to share your Community Service or Grange activities with your local media, the Grange Bulletin and social media. We love hearing what you are doing.

My mailing address will be changing so please use the address listed below when sending me your Grange information.

Eva Frost
OSG Community Service/
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Director Eva Frost presented the 2015 Community Service Report and Yearbook awards at the state convention. 1st: Waltherville Grange #416 (Vernon Herrick); 2nd: Mohawk-McKenzie Grange #747 (Iva May Van Noy); 3rd: Ada Grange #570 (Linda Pugh) and 4th: Spencer Creek Grange #855 (Cookie Trupp).



The Chaplain's Corner

Peggy Fine
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Chaplain ~ Oregon State Grange

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Well school is back in session. Usually September is associated with fall but we have had some days close to be 100 degrees here in Roseburg this month. Oh well, it will be here soon enough. But the most important thing is that kids are back in school. It is football season and volleyball season for Jr. High and High Schools and getting back to studying, catching up with friends and recess for the younger kids. It is a scene replayed every year in every community. With school funds becoming more limited every year it is very difficult for administration to meet the needs of the children as well as the staff.

What can you do about the situation? A lot. It's a great project for a Grange to do what really makes them relevant in the community. Many of you do "Words for Thirds" which is a good program but gives little interaction with either the staff or the children.

I recently heard an ad for volunteers for the Eugene School District which I thought was excellent. They are

asking for volunteers to cover lunch recess (approximately 1.5 hours to 2 hours daily – depending on the size of the school). If you can get 5 of your Grange members to volunteer, you will be able to cover a week. What a great help, not only so a teacher can have their lunch but you can meet and interact with kids, have a chance to tell them about Jr. Grange or the Youth Program. Most of all you can provide that loving adult contact that so many of the kids need today.

If that is not really your style, contact the school and find out what they need. Do they need papers run off for class or weeds sprayed? Football coaches are always looking for someone to run the chains and volleyball refs are always looking for line judges.

Remember what Paul said in Galatians 5:13 "For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the law is fulfilled in one word: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."



Above: Memorial Drill Team members at the OSG convention in June were Cole Wilson, White Eagle Grange #683; Roger Wilson, White Eagle Grange #683; Austin Ancheta, White Eagle Grange #683; Owen Ancheta, White Eagle Grange #683; Walter Forsea, Eagle Valley Grange #656; Angela Hascall, White Eagle Grange #683; Misty Gorbett, White Eagle Grange #683; Patti Bohms, White Eagle Grange #683; Elvaree Fine, Hurricane Creek Grange #608; Deloris Stiltner, Eagle Valley Grange #656; Debby deBoer, Boulevard Grange #389. Also pictured are State officers: Master Susan Noah; Chaplain Peggy Fine; Secretary Alice Nowicki, Flora Cookie Trupp and Musician Claudia Boswell.

Right: Brother Ben Boswell, South Fork Grange led the songs for the Church/Memorial Service.



Dorothy "Mickey" Morris, Former OSG First Lady Passes Away



Dorothy "Mickey" Morris, First Lady of the Oregon State Grange from 1992 to 1996, passed away in Eugene, Oregon on the evening of July 24, 2015. Mickey was a remarkable woman, full of life and laughter. She is survived by her devoted, loving husband Dale Wesley Morris, and her three children Michael of New York, Teresa and son-in-law David Hart of Portland, Richard and daughter-in-law Susan of Seattle, Washington, and grandchildren Hannah Soll-Morris of London, England, Zach Hart of Portland, and Luke Hart of Seattle.

Mickey was born in Burley, Idaho on March 30th, 1926 and moved to Eugene with her family at an early age. Mickey went to school in Eugene and graduated from Eugene High School. She met and then married the love of her life Dale Morris May 3, 1948 in Eugene. They were inseparable for 67

years. For Mickey, family and friends were the most important part of her life.

Sister Mickey joined Irving Grange in the first quarter of 1977 following her husband who had joined a couple years earlier. During her years at Irving she served in the offices of Lecturer, LAS, Executive Committee member, Ceres and Pomona. During Brother Dale's two terms as State Master she served as Oregon's second voting delegate to the National Grange Convention. At all four of these conventions she served on the Labor and Judiciary committee and was a Court Lady during the exemplification of the 7th degree.

A memorial service was held at the Irving Grange on Saturday, August 1st at 2pm. Condolences can be sent to Brother Dale at 298 Hawthorne Ave ~ Eugene, OR 97404.

In Memoriam

Richard Gunther
Bandon Grange #703

Viola Hughes
Eagle Creek Grange #297

Rosanna Scott
Beaver Valley Grange #306

Lucille Wollam
Lacomb Grange #907

Marilyn Keller
Beavercreek Grange #276

Allaine Glaldys Scanzano
Lookout Mt Grange #741

Almyra "Marge" Walter
Central Point Grange #698

Velma Lienhart
Morning Star Grange #311

Gowlan Wells
Pine Grove Grange #356

*Seen through the eyes of Faith,
we remember our Brothers and Sisters not as ones dead,
they have only gone on before us through the gates of the Grange above,
where dwells the Great Master of us all.*



Oregon State Junior Grange Contest Winners at Pendleton Talent Show

Variety Ages 11-14

- 1st Austin VanHouten, Riversdale Grange #731
- 2nd Joshua Jacobson, Columbia Grange #867
- 3rd CJ Lindler, Walterville Grange #416

Variety Ages 8-10

- 1st Audrey VanHouten, Riversdale Grange #731

Variety Ages 5-7

- 1st Arianna VanHouten, Riversdale Grange #731

Instrumental Ages 5-7

- 1st MacKenzie Lindler, Walterville Grange #416

Vocal Ages 11-14

- 1st Riley Reynolds, Santiam Valley Grange #828



Austin VanHouten variety



Audrey VanHouten variety



Arianna VanHouten variety



MacKenzie Lindler instrumental



Riley Reynolds vocal

Crafts

Milk Jug Craft Ages 11-14

- 1st Justin Yost, Deer Creek Grange #371
- 2nd Riley Reynolds, Santiam Valley Grange #828
- 3rd CJ Lindler, Walterville Grange #416

Milk Jug Craft Ages 8-10

- 1st Alisa Yost, Deer Creek Grange #371

Milk Jug Craft Ages 5-7

- 1st Alana Sherman, Deer Creek Grange #371
- 2nd Riley Sherman, Deer Creek Grange #371
- 3rd Alana Sherman, Deer Creek Grange #371

Veteran Art Ages 11-14

- 1st Lily Benschop, Columbia Grange #867
- 2nd Erin Grant, Tigard Grange #148
- 3rd Sharon Cousineau, Tigard Grange #148

Veteran Art Ages 8-10

- 1st Lily Holmn, White Eagle Grange #683
- 2nd, Nakayla Morland, White Eagle Grange #683

Cloud Photography Ages 5-7

- 1st MacKenzie Lindler, Walterville Grange #416
- 2nd MacKenzie Lindler, Walterville Grange #416

Minecraft Creative Design Ages 11-14

- 1st Riley Reynolds, Santiam Valley Grange #828

Minecraft Survival Design Ages 11-14

- 1st CJ Lindler, Walterville Grange #416



Oregon Hosts National Jr. Grange Leaders' Enrichment Workshop

Abernethy Grange hosted the National Junior Grange Leaders' Enrichment Workshop put on by National Junior Grange Director, Lillian Booth on Saturday and Sunday, August 15th & 16th. Junior Grange leaders from Oregon and Washington attended the workshop.

This Enrichment Workshop was designed to help strengthen and enhance leadership skills for working with Junior members. The



Lillian Booth, National Junior Director, leading a section on child development.



topics covered included: *Junior Grange Leaders – Who are They?; Design & Delegation; Child Development; Conflict Resolution Skills; Child Safety; How To Start a Junior Grange Program – And Keep It Going; Merit Badges; and Contests.*

Those that attended came away from the workshop with renewed enthusiasm for the Junior Grange program and some new ideas to implement in their Junior programs. This was the roll out for this workshop. Sister Lillian will be repeating this workshop in other states as can be scheduled.

Ada Juniors Earn Merit Badges



On Friday August 15th, Ada Grange # 570 Junior leader Heather Elliott presented recently earned merit badges to (l-r) Taylor Elliott, Terry Elliott and Jordan Williams. They are currently working on the "All About Subordinate" Badge. That evening Terry filled in as an Executive Committee member, rocking his red tennis shoes, and Jordan filled in as Gatekeeper.



Those attending were: top row, Marvin Oliver-WSG Junior Co-Director; Lyle Utt-Fairmont Grange, Tom Gwin-WSG Master; 2nd row: Jennifer Oliver-WSG Junior Co-Director, Susie Kroeker-Crow Grange, Carol Everman, OSG Deputy; 3rd row Charlotte Luttrell-OSG Junior Director, Judy Huey-Abernathy Grange, Marilyn Reiher-Winona Grange; bottom row: Bill Booth, Lillian Booth-NG Junior Director, Jan Oleson-Abernathy Grange, Suzy Ramm-OSG Bulletin Editor and Susan Noah-OSG Master.



OSG Master Susan Noah, National Master Ed Luttrell and Warren Grange Master Eva Frost cutting the ribbon dedicating the reinstatement of the stone pillars and the opening of the 100th Columbia County Fair.

A "FAIR" TIME WAS HAD BY

R-Quincy Grange #321 preparing to host in the Grange museum. All the Granges in Pomona take on a shift.



L-Columbia County Pomona Grange Bingo Wagon

Columbia County Fair

The 100th Columbia County Fair opened on Wednesday, July 19th with OSG Master Susan Noah, National Master Ed Luttrell and Warren Grange Master Eva Frost cut the ribbon. Warren Grange, along with the fair was celebrating its 100th Anniversary. Many of the Granges in the county including Natal, Vernonia, Yankton, Warren and the Pomona entered Grange displays. The theme was "A Century of Fun for Everyone." The Pomona also has a Bingo Wagon; all the Granges in the Pomona willingly take turns manning. Additionally, Warren Grange has a Fried Bread booth.



Warren Grange #536 had two displays, this one in the area with all the organizations, like the fair, celebrating their 100th anniversaries.



Clackamas County Fair Scarecrows.



Above: CCF 1st-Beavercreek



Below: CCF 3rd-Sunnyside



1st-Winona Grange #271

Washington County Fair

Washington County Grangers were well represented at the Washington County Fair August 30 through July 2. For the Grange displays first went to Winona #271, second to the Junior Grange display and third to Leedy #339.

Other Granges with displays were Scholls #338, Tigard #148, Kinton #562 and Washington #313. Additionally, the Pomona had a displays. This year's theme was "We have a good thing growing."



2nd-Washington-Yamhill Junior Grange



Right: CCF 2nd-Boring-Damascus



3rd-Leedy Grange #339

OREGON GRANGERS THIS SUMMER



Clackamas County Fair

"Fair Fever" was the theme for this year's county fair and the Clackamas Granges had it in spades. The Pomona's cookie booth with several varieties of freshly baked cookies enticed fair goers into the building full of Grange displays. It was a great fair.

In the fair displays Beavercreek Grange was first honoring military personnel and veterans. Boring-Damascus Grange was second with their "Farmacy" to cure "Fair Fever". Sunnyside Grange was third and Clarkes Grange was fourth.

Clackamas Pomona also sponsors the Scarecrow contest in the Agricultural section of the fair and along with Clarkes Grange sponsors the 4-H Floral Design competition.

Above: Redland Grange working in the Clackamas Pomona Grange Cookie booth at the county fair.

Granges At The Lane County Fair

The Lane County Granges had a very successful year at the Lane County Fair. Grange Day was changed back to Wednesday, the first day of the fair. Volunteers from 15 different Granges served 165 dozen cookies to fair goers. This year Lane Pomona Grange provided coffee, punch and water to the fair goers on Grange Day. The Lane Pomona Grange information table provides ice cold water throughout the fair.

There were over 325 entries in **The Dress Up Veggie and Fruit Contest**. The Lane Pomona Grange and the Lane County Fair



Lane Pomona Grange ladies passing out cookies on Grange Day; the Irving, London, and Santa Clara Grange's fair booths can be seen behind them.

contest. The three judges were: Linda Wetzell from Goshen Grange, Lynn Johnson from Ada Grange, and Pomona Master Dick Wyant.

Over 2,834 fair goers placed ballots in the little barn for the People's Choice selection of the Grange displays. This contest is sponsored by the three local public utilities. Emerald People's Utility District (EPUD) awards the first place winner with \$100; the second

place winner receives \$75 from Lane Electric Cooperative (LEC); and the third place winner receives \$50 from Blachly-Lane Electric Cooperative. This year Spencer Creek Grange took first place; second place was Mohawk-McKenzie Grange and the third place winner was Lorane Grange.

Prizes for the GWA (Grange Workers Activities) displays were sponsored by Lane Electric Cooperative. Seven GWAs entered. First place went to Spencer Creek Grange; second place went to Goshen Grange; and third place went to Walterville Grange

There were 14 Lane County Granges represented at the Lane County Fair; each received \$200 for their participation. Each of the GWA displays received \$25 for their participation.



Ada Grange honored their fallen patrons.



Alexa Suing passing out ballots for "Favorite Grange Display" at the Lane County fair and talks about the Grange, of course.



Wallowa Pomona Grange #22 presented Outstanding Community Citizenship Awards to (left to right) Linda Koloski (non-granger), Hurricane Creek Lecturer Barbara McCormack, Pomona Master Grace Gray, and Nancy Cannon, North End Grange.

Wallowa Pomona Grange Awards Great Citizenship

Grange honors two women from Wallowa County with extensive volunteer resumes

Published: August 17, 2015
Wallowa Pomona Grange #22 made their Outstanding Community Citizenship Awards at the Wallowa County Fair last Saturday and honored Linda Koloski of Enterprise and Nancy Cannon of Flora.

The two awards recognize both a Granger (Cannon) and a non-Granger (Koloski) for extraordinary public service in their community.

Grange Award: Cannon, a member of the North End Granger in Flora, has been chairperson of Grange Workers Activities for six years and is well known throughout the county for her willingness to pitch in any time a service organization or individual asks for help. As an example, she sewed one third of the 205 satchels made as gift bags for attendees of the State Grange Session held in Pendleton in June/July.

Cannon often makes her work with the Grange a family affair, bringing along her husband, children and

grandchildren as volunteers.

Non-Grange Award: Veterans living in Wallowa will recognize Koloski as the cook at the VFW Hall in Enterprise. Her husband Mike is a retired U.S. Coast Guard officer and the couple's two sons are also both in the military. Linda is an officer in the VFW Auxiliary and is well known for her many services in the veteran's community including cooking for the Memorial Dinner at the fair and helping wrap 300 boxes for Elks Christmas baskets every year.

She has been a member of the Wallowa Mountain Quilters Guild and chairs the "Quilts of Honor" program that makes quilts for the WWII veterans in the community. She and her husband also helped organize the local chapter of the Parkinson's Support Group and are very active in the arts community.

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Why Does The Grange Have A Log Cabin At The Fair? OREGON STATE FAIR

In 1959 the Oregon State Grange created a Centennial Farmstead in honor of the 100th anniversary of Oregon's statehood. The Farmstead showed the buildings, equipment, and furnishing used on a typical Oregon farm 100 years earlier. The Centennial Farmstead log cabin was the first of three that the Oregon State Grange has maintained at the fairgrounds over the past 55 years.

Log Cabin #1: Centennial Farmstead

A two-room board-and-batten cabin was found in the hills above Scotts Mills. The cabin was authentic even to its moss-covered, hand-split shake roof. Project chair Ben Eckley of Silverton commented, "This was no easy task, locating buildings of the type that were still in good enough condition to be moved or used for our purpose."

A volunteer crew dismantled the cabin, trucked it to the fairgrounds, and re-erected it just south of the "new" 4-H building. The biggest task was to transport the fragile roof sections. C & B Equipment Company loaned a hoist that solved the problem with minimal damage. In fact the original moss remained on the roof and was watered daily to keep it green throughout the fair.

Outbuildings were also moved, but they required considerable repair. These included a well cover found on an abandoned homestead on the east slope of Mt. Hood and an outhouse from the farm of Grange member W. J. Krens of Silverton. Surrounding the buildings was a weathered hand-split rail fence donated by Oscar Kilbore of Molalla.

The inside of the cabin was decorated by Lillian Magee of Macleay. She found household items that were brought to Oregon by ox team or around the horn. These included a cast-iron, open hearth cook stove and a cast-iron kettle, tea kettle, and griddle as well as a wooden tub and water pail. In the other room was a wooden bed, trunks, spinning wheel, and a whiskey barrel.

During the fair Grange families from Marion, Polk, Linn, Benton, and Clackamas Counties, dressed in period costumes, manned the farmstead. State Grange Master Elmer McClure reported, "The entire farmstead was the most popular single exhibit at the Fair." Ten thousand visitors signed the guest book and thousands more visited without signing. The Fair Commission invited the Oregon State Grange to set up the farmstead

again the following year. Most of the exhibit was the same, except the dinner bell was "muffled to prevent noise conflict with other fair displays and activities."

Log Cabin #2: Grange Hall Moved from Wallowa County

In 1961 the Oregon State Fair Commission made the log cabin a "permanent feature." However, a larger cabin was needed to handle the crowds.

A 50-year old log building was moved from high in the Wallowa Mountains to the Fairgrounds. For 20 years this building had been the meeting place of Pine Grove Grange, which became inactive in 1945. The Wallowa work party dismantled the building, carefully marked each piece, and loaded it on a truck donated by Grange Cooperative Wholesale for transport to the fairgrounds. The windows, doors, and roof were replaced.

In 1965 a porch was added. A photo in the *Grange Bulletin* shows an early loft with the caption, "In addition to new-fangled plumbing, the Homestead also boasts a guest room, easily reached by a ladder."

Log Cabin #3: Log Cabin Built from a Kit

By 1973 the log cabin was in need of extensive repair. The State Grange Executive Committee gave Earle Johnson, Master of Brush College Grange, permission to send a letter to all Subordinate Granges asking for donations to defray the expense. Donations totaled \$4,000, but the estimated cost was \$8,000. Fundraising continued. By 1978 \$7,000 had been raised, but by then rebuilding using a kit was the only option with an estimated cost of \$15,000.

Meanwhile the Fair Commission decided to relocate the log cabin to the other side of the fairgrounds. For the 1979 fair, a slab foundation for the new building was poured and some of the contents from the old log cabin were exhibited in a tent erected over the slab. Before the end of that year logs were ordered. With volunteer labor, the new log cabin "was finished just in time" for the 1980 fair. The *Grange Bulletin* reported, "It was a success as 6,000 people signed the register and many of the people did not sign."

The Log Cabin Today

By the early 1990s the purpose of the log cabin changed. Most of the original furnishings and farm



Carly Itami, Warner Grange and her daughter Hope show they are a Grange family through the cut-outs at the Log Cabin.



Above: Anne Startin, Macleay Grange, Marion County discusses Grange with a visitor and explains the rules for the corn toss which brought a lot of fun to the Log Cabin this year



Right: Julie Young of West Salem, was the winner of the basket of Oregon goodies that was given away in the drawing.



Jessie Jo Guttridge and Thomas Parker, both officers of Springwater Grange and members of Springwater's Odd Stocks and Crafts 4H club entered herb planters in 4-H at the Oregon State Fair. Jessie Jo received champion and Thomas, reserve champion, just the reverse of their placements at the Clackamas County Fair.

equipment had been returned to their donors or sold. Display panels were added that illustrate projects performed by North Lincoln Grange who won top honors in the National Grange Community Service

Contest. Today, during the State Fair, the cabin has displays that change from year to year, showcasing Granges and Grange activities from around the state of Oregon.

Oregon Granges Celebrate the Holidays

October 10th Spencer Creek Grange #855 Harvest Fair 10am-4pm 86013 Lorane Hwy. ~ Eugene Cider pressing all day! Wonderful produce, honey, eggs, etc. as well as crafts. Buffet lunch.

October 16th, 17th & 18th Redland Grange #796 Fall Craft Sale 9am-5pm 18131 S. Fischers Mill Rd ~ Oregon City Info: Gertrude 503-631-2065 Great country breakfast, Lunches & snacks all day. Bake sale & door drawings.

October 24th Mohawk Valley Grange #922 Harvest Festival 3-8pm 93727 Marcola Rd. ~ Marcola Free Info: Linda - 541-933-2511 or Thorp 541-933-3948 Pumpkin carving, chainsaw pumpkin carving, potluck dinner, music, straw scramble for the little kids. Come & join us!

October 24th Winona Grange #271 Harvest Fest 3-8pm 8340 SW Seneca St ~ Tualatin Free Info: Sam Keator at master@winonagrangegrange271.org 3-5pm Educational lectures. 5-6pm Potluck dinner. Grange will provide sausage, dogs, apple cider and fresh pies. Attendees to bring a healthy dish to share. 6-8pm DIRT! The Movie.

October 29-31 Lowell Grange #745 102 Year Old Haunted Grange Hall Thurs 6-9pm, Fri & Sat 6-10pm 51 E. 2nd St ~ Lowell \$5.00 18 and over \$3.00 for 17 and under Food will be available to purchase.

October 29th, 30th & 31st Spencer Creek Grange #855 Haunted House 7-10pm 86013 Lorane Hwy. ~ Eugene

October 31st Ada Grange #570 Community Halloween Party 1-3pm 82457 S Canary Rd. ~ Westlake Refreshments provided. Games, Costume Parade, Fun for all.

October 31st Scholls Grange #338 Chuckwagon Event 10am-4pm 16917 SW Hillsboro Hwy ~ Scholls. Beef Burgers and Hot links with all the trimmings. Pie for dessert. Attend in costume-receive a small gift. Games for kids, tables of sale items to browse. Join the fun.

October 31st Springwater Grange #263 Halloween Party 6:30pm 24591 S Wallens Rd ~ Estacada Potluck, costumes, games & fun for all ages.

November 6-7th Silverton Grange #748 Christmas in Historic Silverton 10am-4pm 201 NE Division ~ Silverton. Vendors pay 10% of sales. Info: Cate: 503-510-2253 Tables available. Vendors limited to Grange members only. A fundraiser for Marion County Pomona.

November 7th Spencer Creek Grange #855 Holiday Bazaar 9am-3pm 86013 Lorane Hwy. ~ Eugene Info: Harold Whittington 541-255-0393 Holiday & other decor items, crafts, gifts, baked goods, fragrances & a chili feed for lunch.

November 7th Fruitdale Grange #379 Christmas Bazaar 1440 Parkdale Dr ~ Grants Pass Vendors wanted \$30 for 10'x3' table Reserve by Oct 23. 541-66-4435 or fruitdale379@gmail.com

November 13-14th Lowell Grange #745 Linda's Bazaar & Craft Show. 9am-6pm 51 E. 2nd St. ~ Lowell

November 14th Azalea Grange #786 Christmas Craft Faire 10am-2pm 142 Pisqually Lane ~ Azalea Tables rentals are just \$5.00 Info: Bev. Doescher ~ beverlydoescher@yahoo.com Public is invited. Refreshments available to purchase.

November 14th Eagle Valley Grange #656 Holiday Bazaar 9am-3pm 42008 Moody Rd. ~ Richland Info: Call 541-893-6292 for more information Quality vendors, quilt raffle, door prizes. Lunch served.

November 14th Mt. Vernon Grange #659 Christmas Bazaar 9am-4pm 59491 Hwy 26 ~ Mt. Vernon Info: Jean Sagert. gjsag76@centurytel.net Many vendors with lots to choose from.

November 19th Crow Grange Thanksgiving Open House & Community Potluck 6:30pm 85994 Territorial Rd. ~ Eugene Grange provides turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert. Also a couple of cans of food for food drive.

November 20th & 21st Irving Grange #377 Holiday Market 5-9pm Friday 10-4pm Saturday 1011 Irvington Drive ~ Eugene Info: psjill@comcast.net or 541-688-6542 Market fills two huge rooms with crafts & special offers from local vendors. Lunch & snacks from our kitchen. Free coffee (because we're a Grange).

November 22nd Wolf Creek Grange #596 Thanksgiving Dinner 1pm 215 E St ~ North Powder Potluck Info: J. Lawyer 541.898.2146

November 27th & 28th Tigard Grange #148 Holiday Craft Bazaar Fri 2-7pm Sat 9am-4pm 13770 SW Pacific Hwy ~ Tigard Info: www.tigardgrange.com Christmas decorations, handmade items, home baked goodies, gifts, raffles & door prizes.

November 28th & 29th Boring-Damascus Grange #260 Holiday Craft Sale 10am-5pm 27861 Grange St. ~ Boring Tables \$20.00 each Info: Vendors wanted: 503.318.5784. 40+ vendors. Lunch available for purchase.

December 3rd & 4th Vale Grange #696 Holiday Bazaar 9am-6pm 259 Longfellow St S. ~ Vale Info: Jackie DeLong at cottonwoodmeema@gmail.com Baked foods, homemade jams & jellies, Handcrafted jewelry, quilts, dishcloths, dish towels & many other goodies. Come & see us. Lunch served with coffee & homemade pie.

December 4th Wolf Creek Grange #596 Santa Sale 5pm 215 E St ~ North Powder Info: Sue Dehaas 541.898.3000

December 5th Wolf Creek Grange #596 Bazaar 10am-4pm 215 E St ~ North Powder Info: J. Lawyer 541.898.2146

December 6th Boring-Damascus Grange #260 Annual Boring Christmas Tree Lighting 5-7pm The Boring Station Trailhead Park &



Tree Plaza, 27861 Grange St. ~ Boring. Fun & free evening of caroling at the Christmas Tree, Refreshments & visit with Santa at the Grange.

December 7th Spencer Creek Grange #855 Christmas Program and Open House 7pm 86013 Lorane Hwy. ~ Eugene Info: Jamie Gaber 541-683-5682 Choral music from the senior chorus groups of Churchill HS - Lansingers & Sheldon HS - Dublinaires.

December 12th Ada Grange #570 Community Christmas Party 1-3pm 82457 S Canary Rd. ~ Westlake Refreshments provided. Crafts for kids, Santa Claus, hay rides.

December 12th Clackamas Pomona Grange Winterhawks Night - Hockey and Teddy Bear Toss 5:30pm bus at Home Depot 7pm game Veterans Memorial Coliseum, 300 North Winning Way ~ Portland \$29 for game & transportation from the Oregon City Home Depot Info: Contact Don at kingsborpops@aol.com or Annette Wanker nettiemay1941@gmail.com Portland vs. Prince George - Les Schwab Teddy Bear Toss for Charity night. Bring a Teddy Bear & toss it on the ice after the first score.

December 12th Midland Grange #781 Christmas Gathering 2pm 6601 Tingley Ln. ~ Klamath Falls Info: Louise Holst 541-591-3498 Grange provides the meat & potatoes, potluck for the dinner. Program to follow. All Welcome.

December 13th Azalea Grange #786 Christmas Potluck and Open House 2pm 142 Pisqually Lane ~ Azalea Info: Bev. Doescher ~ beverlydoescher@yahoo.com Everyone is invited.

December 13th Oregon State Grange Open House 1-4pm 643 Union St. NE ~ Salem Refreshments will be served.

December 13th Summit Grange #432 Holiday Market 12noon-4pm 19824 Summit Hwy ~ Blodgett Info: For info contact Evelyn Idzerda eveid@peak.org Lovely hand-crafted goods, snacks & live music. Community holiday gathering & to buy Christmas gifts from local sources.

Springwater Youth Volunteer in Colorado

On July 25th members of Springwater Presbyterian Church left to spend a week in Loveland, Colorado. With the help of Springwater Grange and the community, eight youth group members and their chaperones provided disaster relief for victims of the 2013 flood in the Loveland area by assisting with debris clean-up, neighborhood beautification, rebuilding, and the like.

Preparation for the trip officially commenced on Saturday May 2nd with a Grange Breakfast. Springwater Church youth along with their parents, and members of both the church and the Grange cooked up the breakfast. Additional fundraisers and a gofundme account were used to finance the trip. To further reduce the cost of airfare, community members stepped up, donating Alaska Airlines miles. It took 20,000 miles/person.

The majority of the group's efforts were focused on the home of Miss Doris, an 80-year-old lady, who lived in a house that has been at the site since the 1920s. The repairs were only just now being done (2 years after the flood) because the flood plain boundaries were re-drawn after the flood, and that excluded the cluster of houses containing hers from being eligible for financial help. It was unknown if her house could be rebuilt until just



Jessie Jo Guttridge busy pulling staples from flooring.



The Springwater group surrounding Miss Doris (white shirt, center), whose house was being raised.



Jennifer Souder doing yard work a few weeks before the group arrived. By the time the group arrived, the house itself was on stilts. The youth help dig out the ground underneath it to put in a foundation on which the house would eventually rest.

One day some of the group went to a small community called Cedar Cove to help Gary and Shar Wamsley. Their house wasn't damaged in the flood, but their yard was covered by the flood waters. The yard was still filled with debris, especially wood which had washed downstream, and they had also lost a few of the trees right along the riverbank. The youth were put straight to work moving bark and stacking wood. The youth also weeded Shar's garden so she can plant irises.

Another day a crew stayed in Loveland to pull staples out of donated wood flooring

It was a great experience according to Jennifer Souder, "We were able to do amazing things for a family and sweet elderly woman so that she could have her house back after the flood two years ago. She was so grateful and it was truly humbling to help her out."

Springwater Grange youth members Jennifer Souder and Jessie Jo Guttridge as well as Jennifer's sister Tabitha and Jessie Jo's cousins Kara and Kendra Guttridge made the trip.

Western Regional Grange Conference Held in Idaho

This year's Western Regional conference was held at Mica Flats Grange and Camp Lutherhaven both in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho the weekend of July 31 through August 2. The Oregon State Grange was represented by ten members this year at the Western Regional Youth and Leadership Conference. Attending were State Master Susan Noah and her husband Mark, State Membership Co-Director Sandi Ludi, Grange Bulletin Editor Suzy Ramm, State Youth and Young Adults Co-Directors Scot and Clare Jacobson and two of their grandsons and speaking contestants Alexa Suing and Thomas Parker.



Alexa Suing competing in impromptu speaking.

After traveling all day Friday the evening started with dinner at Mica Flats Grange followed by cabin assignments at Camp Lutherhaven. The Youth then had a social and get acquainted activities.

Workshops followed breakfast on Saturday morning. First up was National Youth Director Charlene Espenshade with help from the National Youth Ambassador Cassidy Chester with their workshop - "Participate, Invest and Invite -PI Squared", a new national youth program.

Additional workshops continuing



Thomas Parker competing in impromptu speaking.

throughout the day included several from National Membership Director Michael Martin. They included "Secret? No! Just Unwritten Work" on reading the code book, "Grow Your Grange: Impact Your Community - It's Up to You and Me" and "How Does Your Grange Compare to Other Granges." T. J. Malaskee, Overseer of the Minnesota State Grange, enlightened to group on "Creating Enthusiasm in the Grange" and "Grange and Western Region Historical Highlights" and Corinne Johnson presented a workshop for the youth on "Team Building."

Saturday evening included the Regional Public Speaking and Jeopardy contests. Oregon had Alexa Suing and Thomas Parker competing in the impromptu speaking contest and in the Jeopardy Game Show (Grange Style). They both did a fine job, and Oregon can certainly be proud! Thomas placed second of the five youth from four states competing. Way to go Thomas & Alexa! The evening wrapped up with the youth performing their drill they had learned that weekend.

Sunday morning included devotionals and a wrap-up session before heading home.



Competing in Grange Jeopardy contest were L-R: Alexa Suing, Oregon; Jacob Gwin, Washington; Clyde Mooney, Idaho; William Donelan, Montana and Thomas Parker, Oregon. Asking the questions were Charlene Espenshade, National Youth Director and Membership Director; Micheal Martin.

Youth Goodie Basket Raffle



District #1 basket

Thank you to all who bought and sold raffle tickets for the youth goodie baskets. This year's winners are

- District #1 Tom Klug
- District #2 Jean Price
- District #3 Jan Hallman
- District #4 Keith Colvin
- District #5 Terrebonne Grange
- District #6 Francis "Bud" Dumolt



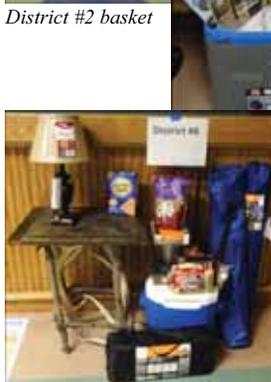
District #2 basket



District #3 basket



District #4 basket



District #5 basket



District #6 basket



Reminder "Keeping Clackamas County Warm"

items are due at the Clackamas Pomona Grange meeting Saturday Oct. 24th at Boring-Damascus Grange.

The youth are collecting stocking caps, mittens, gloves, scarves, socks, etc... both purchased and homemade for distribution to the less fortunate in Clackamas County.

This activity is part of the "Keeping the West Warm," a project of the Grange Youth and Young Adults in the Western Region.

Springwater Granger Select as National Youth Officer

Jessie Jo Guttridge, of Springwater Grange #263 in Clackamas County has been selected to serve as Youth Ceres during the 2015 National Grange Convention in Lincoln, Nebraska in November.

Sister Jessie Jo is the daughter of Don and Tami Guttridge and the granddaughter of Wilma Guttridge, all members of Springwater Grange. Several of her aunts, uncles and cousins are Grange members, also. She is currently LAS and youth chairman for her Grange. Additionally, she serves on the Pomona youth committee.

She is a senior at Estacada High School and plans to attend Clackamas Community College after graduation to study greenhouse crops. She hopes to pursue a career in nursery production and have her own greenhouse operation one day.

Grange Youth & Young Adults

Scot & Clare Jacobson
Youdir@orgrange.org

Youth Directors ~ Oregon State Grange



As summer draws to a close, we are thankful for the opportunities that have allowed us to be a part of greater picture.

The Youth Department hosted the Oregon State Grange's Log Cabin at the Fair Grounds in Salem over the Labor Day Weekend. It was a lot of fun, and we met lots of people from around the state; both Grangers and non-Grangers. Hopefully, we encouraged some to check out the Grange of their choice and contemplate becoming a Grange member. We laughed, joked, shared adventure stories, and had an awesome time representing the Oregon State Grange.

We would love to hear about your summer adventures, or upcoming events that you have planned for your Grange. Those can be shared with others and perhaps we, ourselves, can attend.

National Grange is fast approaching. This year it will be in Lincoln Nebraska. We are planning on attending. This is a GREAT time to begin thinking about representing the Oregon State Grange next year. We

would love to share information with you about what is expected, the application process, and how we can help YOU become part of the Youth Experience.

We would love to send you information regarding the Youth Program directly rather than going through your Subordinate Secretary. Many times people miss meetings, and you are not able to get the information quickly. We can send it to you by email. Please drop us an email and request to be added to our email listing. This way, you will be insured to receive the most accurate information as fast as possible.

Clare and I will continue to travel until the roads out of Pendleton become unsafe due to weather restrictions. If you have an event you would like us to attend, please contact us now, so we can get it into our calendar.

Thank you for your service to the Grange and to your Community. Looking forward to seeing you at the Hall.

Family-Youth Campout Photos

This year's Family-Youth Campout was held July 17-19 at Suttle Lake. A great time was had by all that attended. Thank you to Sarah Kingsborough for being the coordinator of this fun-filled weekend.



Being a cool weekend, a lot of time was spent around the campfire.



Above: Hope Itami with her mom Carly enjoys her first Grange campout.

Below: Others did spend some time out on the lake.





The Education Committee

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Smarter Balanced Results Exceed Expectations, Provide Challenges

Statewide test results from the new Smarter Balanced Assessment will be released Sept. 17. These results measure academic growth and establish a new baseline for Oregon students.

Based on preliminary data compiled by the Oregon Department of Education (ODE), the release should bring ample measures of optimism and concern, as well as plenty of questions.

On the bright side, the preliminary results show that with the exception of 11th-grade math, students scored higher – in some cases much higher – on the spring 2015 assessment than the state had predicted. The projections were based on field tests from the previous year.

To the right is a chart of the 2015 Smarter Balanced Assessment results.

It must be noted, however, that across all tested grade levels, fewer than half of students managed to score a proficient grade in math. English results were significantly higher. Test scores are rated 1 through 4, with students receiving a 3 or 4 considered to be on track to graduate from high school as college- and career-ready.

Furthermore, district testing participation rates hovered just above the 95 percent threshold required by federal authorities. Earlier this month, Salam Noor, Oregon's deputy superintendent of public instruction, wrote superintendents and principals to express his concerns about Oregon's participation rate jeopardizing \$344 million in federal funding.

That participation rate could drop even further when Oregon's new opt-out testing law takes effect in January.

Smarter Balanced is aligned to Oregon's standards, and is one tool for measuring where students are on their path to college- and career-readiness. Because the standards and test are more rigorous than their predecessors, ODE has asked for patience and persistence from Oregon educators, students and parents as they adapt to a new, higher bar.

Derek Brown, ODE's interim

assistant superintendent for assessment and accountability, says one of the hurdles surrounding the switch in state tests is communicating how students did on this year's Smarter Balanced compared with the previous Oregon Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (OAKS) test.

The new tests, given once at the end of the school year, go beyond multiple-choice and allow students to explain their answers, interact with texts, and build equations. In turn, these tests measure more complex skills and are designed to give parents and educators a deeper understanding of where kids are on their career and college paths.

"We've been working hard to understand the relationship between this year's results and align them with previous state tests," Brown said, but variances in standards and measurement make comparisons difficult.

"We know parents and school boards want to have that conversation," he said, "but it's risky and might lead people down the wrong path."

Brown acknowledged that possibly the biggest challenge in relating scores year-over-year rests in Oregon's Essential Skills high school graduation requirements. Those state that to graduate, students must demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing and math.

A primary method of proving that mastery is surpassing a "cut score" derived from a standardized test. That score has not been determined yet for Smarter Balanced, but Brown said it was possible that a 2 would become the "cut score" across the board.

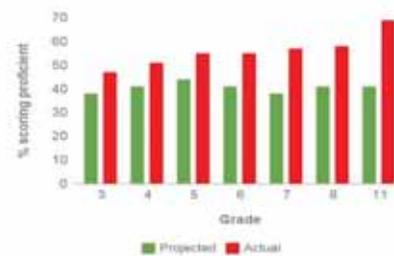
But both he and Meg Koch, ODE's Common Core communications coordinator, emphasized that a score below 2 on Smarter Balanced would not in and of itself prevent a student from graduating. Districts have the option of trying other assessments to show mastery, as well as using locally administered and scored work samples.

Koch said the department will support schools and districts in their communication efforts. Last week, ODE sent out a toolkit of resources to help communicate the results.

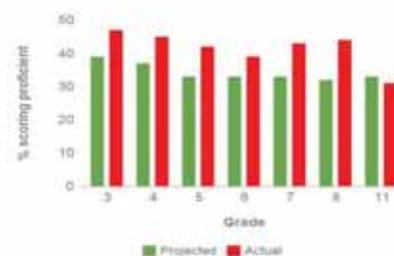
Exceeding projections

At nearly every grade level, more Oregon students gained proficient scores (a 3 or 4) in the Smarter Balanced Assessment in spring 2015 than had been projected.

English



Math



Source: Oregon Department of Education

One of the resources is a cover letter for parents to understand their child's results. The results pages show student raw scores in the different subject areas, as well as a breakdown on what are called "claim levels." An example for math would be discreet scores in "concepts and procedures," "problem solving/modeling and data analysis," and "communicating reasoning."

The results pages show parents where their child's score places them, between levels 1 and 4, and includes a description of the skills contained within the level in which their child scored.

Another issue stemming from the new assessment is the testing participation rate. The U.S. Department of Education's participation standard is 95 percent.

In an Aug. 17 email to school district leaders statewide, Noor, Oregon's schools chief, said participation statewide had barely met that 95 percent level. He noted that two key subgroups – African-American students and disabled students – had fallen below the participation standard in English and math testing.

Even more troubling, Noor wrote, is that 21 of Oregon's 197 K-12 districts – just over 10 percent – had overall participation rates below 95 percent.

"I am deeply concerned by this decrease in participation for a number of reasons," Noor wrote.

Among them, he wrote, are the \$344 million in federal funding at risk, as well as the potential to limit the state's and districts' ability to identify and address achievement gaps. Noor said ODE would be contacting districts in coming weeks with plans on how to improve participation.

"With the passage of House Bill 2655, which goes into effect on Jan. 1 and gives parents and adult students the right to annually opt out of statewide summative assessments, it will be more important than ever that districts communicate with their parents and communities about the purpose and value of these tests," he wrote, "so that we can address parents' concerns and help them understand the impact of opting out."

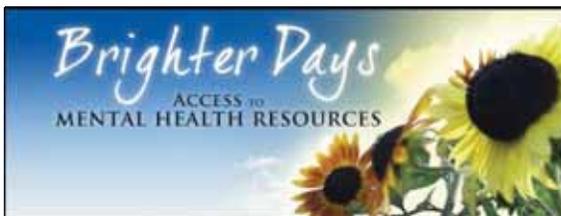
Smarter Balanced key dates

Sept. 17: Public release of scores — will include results by school, district and student demographic group

Oct. 15: School and district report cards released — will include student performance on state tests, but schools will not be rated this first year

Jan. 1, 2016: House Bill 2655 takes effect, requiring that schools notify parents about opt-out options from tests at least 30 days before state assessments are administered

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Brighter Days Event To Be Held At Leedy Grange October 10th

Members of Leedy Grange #339 in Washington County are organizing an event to help people understand and access mental health resources. "Brighter Days: Access to Mental Health Resources" will bring together a variety of providers, speakers, and panelists, in recognition of World Mental Health Day.

A resolution was passed at this year's State Grange Convention urging the membership to recognize World Health Organization's (WHO) day of recognition. In response, Theresa Thorud, a lifelong Granger and District 3 Lecturer's Chairman, and Virginia Bruce, who recently lost her daughter to depression, decided to get busy!

"We've been getting a great response from the people we're contacting," says Bruce. "It seems like there aren't a lot of events that are aimed at the average person, who may have a family member with

mental health issues, or even be suffering themselves."

The stigma associated with mental health problems is a big issue. People do not want others to know that there is a problem, so they do not talk about it. And even when a problem is acknowledged, there is a terrible shortage of providers, insurance coverage, and resources. One of the goals for this event is to help people find connections to get help.

The event will run from 10am to 3pm on Saturday, October 10, at the Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman, Portland 97229, in the Cedar Mill area, north of Beaverton. The event is free, and open to everyone. Please share this information with your members, families, and friends!

Learn more at the Leedy Grange website: <http://leedygrange.org>, or call Theresa at 503-645-5593. A poster is available to download so you can print and share.

Lane County Granges Hold Benefit For The Oregon Paralyzed Veterans Of America

The OPVA benefit event included a Poker Run, raffles, Bingo and even an invite to a picnic. The event started and ended at Crow Grange, August 8, and ran from 9am-3pm.

Every participating Grange has a different basket and separate tickets. All the Granges sold tickets at different destination points during the Cruise itself. Those that cruised around the circuit had the opportunities to buy raffle tickets,

draw a poker card, and have snacks.

For sure all had fun, met old and made new friends, learned more about OPVA and the Grange organization. All this was done on the way to the Pomona picnic at Lorane Grange. Basket raffles benefitted OPVA and the Granges equally. The Cruise proceeds went entirely to OPVA, a nonprofit, dedicated to providing recreational opportunities to disabled veterans in Oregon.



Two National Guard personnel with Ruth Teafatiller and Joe Canaday in front of the "64 Mustang.



At their annual meeting the Oregon State Grange Foundation announced a new benefit program that uses the money left over from the Kitty (Thomas) Ear Fund. Renamed the Kitty Thomas Hearing Impaired Fund Reimbursement, it is to be used to assist members with out-of-pocket expenses due to hearing issues. A member can send the application (printed below or on the website) explaining their expenses with copies of the receipts to the Foundation for consideration. The Foundation will review these and approve them at their regular board meetings.

A little background on the fund; at the October 27, 2007 meeting of Clackamas County Pomona Grange #1 the following motion was passed; that *Clackamas County Pomona Grange #1 would help support Kitty Thomas in her quest to get a cochlear hearing implant by starting a fund and donating \$1000 to it.* A committee of Nina Stables, Don MacKinnon and Carmelita Coates was appointed to get the fund set up.

At their January 27, 2008 meeting it was approved to name the fund the **Kitty Ear Fund** and to prepare and mail a letter to each Grange in the state of Oregon requesting donations to raise the needed \$10,000. The letters were written and copied, then stuffed and prepared for mailing by the members attending the Pomona GWA

conference on February 2, 2008. At that time the \$1,000.00 startup funds were sent to the OSG foundation.

In the May 2008 Bulletin Kitty (Cat) who was OSG Deaf Awareness and Family Health Director at the time, shared in her column, "It is humbling to have the kind support that the Grange is giving me in my pursuit of a cochlear implant. ... I am truly grateful for this chance to have the world through sound restored to me in some degree." She went on to share details of the procedure and schedule of events.

Her surgery was October 24, 2008. The implant was successful and when at the State Grange headquarters in January 2009, she was absolutely ecstatic with the results of the procedure!

On August 29, 2009 the goal of raising \$10,000 for the Kitty Thomas co-pay on her insurance coverage for her cochlear implant operation was achieved.

In 2014 the Foundation developed a new benefit with the money left over from the Kitty Ear Fund. This program meets the conditions of Clackamas Pomona Grange when the fund was first established. Left over funds were to be used to either help another Granger with an implant, hearing needs or for hearing education and deaf awareness activities of individual Granges.

Oregon State Grange Foundation

Kitty Thomas Hearing Impaired Fund

Expenses (out of pocket) incurred during the current year.

For the _____ year

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Member of Grange _____ # _____

Amount Requested \$ _____ up to a cap of \$500.00 annually.

Attach copies of receipts.

This form must be postmarked by Dec. 31 of current year.

Signature _____

Date _____

Mail this form and receipts to:

Oregon State Grange Foundation
643 Union St NE
Salem OR 97301

OSG Executive Committee Minutes - June 6, 2015

The meeting was called to order 9:03 a.m. on the above date by the Worthy Master Susan Noah. A quorum was declared. A prayer was given by Don Sether. Present were Master Susan Noah, Overseer Celia Luttrell, Secretary Alice Nowicki, and members of the Executive Committee Malcolm Trupp, and Don Sether.

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Malcolm Trupp to adopt the minutes of April 12, 2015 as corrected. Seconded by Don Sether. Motion was then carried.

Financial Reports

Celia Luttrell presented the financial report on the 2014 Oregon State Grange financial books. The books are closed and balanced. The audit will proceed. Discussion was held on the balance sheet. Discussion was also held on Life Memberships regarding reorganized and dormant Granges.

Unfinished Business

Carver MTN: Property still not closed. Tentative closing will be in middle June.

Restraint of Title Work: Nancy Murray has met twice to work on this issue. She is reviewing all the title work files. She has been encouraged to follow the Executive Committee's voting and recommended completion deadline. She is being very cautious and thorough with this title work. Concerns were discussed. It was agreed by the Executive Committee that our intent regarding this title work is to absolutely encumber our own properties. If there is an error in the filings it will be willingly adjusted and or corrected.

Sunnyridge Sale: The Transfer Agreement was reviewed and discussed by the Committee. A motion was made by Celia Luttrell to accept the Transfer Agreement as written contingent on the approval of Sunnyridge Grange. Seconded by Don Sether. Motion was then carried.

New Business

Spence Scholarship Recipient: Applications for this \$500.00 Scholarship were reviewed and rated by the Executive Committee. The rating was based on the following categories: Application (completeness, spelling, and appearance), Scholastic Ability, Grange Involvement, Community Service, Subordinate/Community Master's letter of recommendation and financial status. The Committee was proud to announce that Addie Maguire was the recipient of this scholarship.

Budget: The 2016 budget was reviewed line by line and discussed. Its effective date will be January 2016. A motion was made to accept the budget by Don Sether. Seconded by Malcolm Trupp. Motion was then carried.

New Copier: A different copier is needed by the Oregon State Grange office. Susan Noah presented research on the copiers available and their costs. A discussion was held regarding copier prices, features and the needs of the State Grange office. A motion was made by Don Sether that Susan Noah has final say on a new copier. Seconded by Malcolm Trupp. Motion was then carried.

Request of Ag Director: Jay Sexton presented by letter, an ad opportunity in a magazine produced by the Department of Agriculture called "Growing Oregon: a guide to the state's farms, food and markets" A discussion and review of the publication was held. A motion was made by Malcolm Trupp that we purchase for \$2555.00 a vertical right edge ad in the annual publication "Growing Oregon" this will also include the cost of \$105.00 for shipping of 300 copies. Seconded by Don Sether. Motion was then carried.

Request from Fruitdale Grange: Fruitdale Grange requested \$8500-8600 of their funds for servicing their heating and air ducts, removal of speed bumps and interior painting. A motion was made by Malcolm Trupp to approve the Fruitdale Grange request for funds. Seconded by Don Sether. The motion was then carried.

Request from Lexington Grange: Lexington Grange requested \$3150.00 of their funds for replacement windows. A motion was made by Malcolm Trupp to approve their request for funds. Seconded by Celia Luttrell. The motion was then carried.

Decisions made via email

- Agreement to make payment to Doglake Construction from reverted funds for the demolition of the dormant Eastside Grange. A discussion of the work completed on property was held. The final bill from Doglake Construction was \$40,049.10. This was just under \$10,000.00 less than the contractor estimated, due to dump fees. The fire department indicated that they would be submitting an offer on the property. But as of this date, no offer has been submitted.
- Agreement to send \$3,400.00 to Riversdale Grange from their

- trust for building repairs
- Agreement to reduce sales price on Carver Mtn. to \$176,500.00

Grange Reports

The Worthy Master Susan Noah presented a report on the following Granges:

Goshen: A mediator held a meeting with the concerned parties. No immediate resolution has occurred. Goshen has spent over \$4,000.00 on this issue and the day with the Mediator has cost them \$1,000.00

Goldson: State Deputy Carol Everman attended their last meeting and reported that all was going well.

North Fork: There is still no movement on the sale of this property.

Mapleton: State Deputies Carol Everman and John Knox are still attending meetings. The new Master attended the Master's Training and also the District #1 hosting meeting.

Roxy Ann: An email request for an update was sent with no reply by Executive Committee Meeting date.

South Fork: The property was closed and the recorded deeds were received by the Oregon State Office. South Fork Grange spent \$40,566.33 out of their trust fund.

Springwater/Colton-Foothills: Springwater sold the Colton-Foothills hall for \$124,514.32 after expenses. This final amount has been deposited into the Oregon State Grange bank account.

Strawberry and Mt Vernon: Mt. Vernon did vote to accept the consolidation. They have been encouraged to formulate a plan for combining the two entities.

Other Business:

District #1 Report: An organizational meeting for the 2016 State Session was held on May 9th 2015, at Azalea Grange. Venues were reviewed and discussed. Agreement at the end of the meeting was to go first for the Medford, Central Point area and if that didn't work out to look at Reedsport. Since then Phoenix High school has determined that they were not interested. Talent Middle School is a good candidate and is currently working on a proposal, one with meals and one without meals.

Ag Luncheon June 22: The Ag Luncheon will be held June 22nd in the Rotunda at the State Capitol.

National Representative: Burton Eller, National Legislative Director is our National Representative. Lillian Booth, National Junior Director will also be in attendance.

Distinguished Visitors: Idaho State Master, Don Heikkila, Duane and Chris Hamp, Washington State Master and the National LAS indicated that they will attend the

2015 Oregon State Session.

National Grange Membership Awards: 45 Granges in Oregon will be receiving a membership award from the National Grange for net gain in membership.

Grange Growth Tour: Michael Martin, National Grange Leadership/Membership Director toured the state in May. A reception for him was held at Redland Grange. He held conferences at the following Granges: Fruitdale, Mohawk-Mckenzie, Ada, Fairview, and Sauvie Island. The Conference attendance was good. Susan and he are planning on a week end conference for State Officers and directors sometime within this next year.

Master's Training: The training sessions were completed in early May. Over 80 Granges were represented. Also half of the Pomona's were represented. Feedback from this training indicated that people were happy with the individual training. It was also indicated that a similar training sessions for Secretaries and Treasurers would be desired.

Deputy and State Officer Reports

Franklin: Malcolm Trupp reported that he mowed lawn. He also reported that they have advertised the hall as a "performance hall" for sale at \$195,000.

Correspondence

GIA: The National Grange submitted a letter regarding the contract with GIA. This information was reviewed by the Committee.

Phishing alert: A phishing alert for the 990 was received by some members. This is not an official request and do not respond to it.

Etesian Wealth Advisors letter: We received a letter from Etesian Wealth Advisors informing us that Scott Barker is in the process of opening his own advisory company, leaving Etesian. Scott Barker will still be doing business with Charles Schwab. A discussion was held regarding this information and how it will affect us.

District #6 Hosting Committee: An update was received from Clarann Witty regarding the Oregon State Session Pendleton.

Next meeting of the Executive Committee will be, Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at 9am. Adjourned at 2:54pm. Respectfully submitted, Alice Nowicki, Secretary



Judge Grants NG's Motion In Sacramento Superior Court

August 18, 2015 - Judge Brown granted the National Grange's motion for summary judgment filed in Sacramento Superior Court. In his words he clearly and unequivocally ruled in favor of the National Grange.

1. "In the first cause of action, National Grange seeks a declaration that because the Now Unchartered State Grange's Charter was revoked under the Bylaws of the Order, and Defendants have acknowledged their voluntary disaffiliation from the Order, they have no standing to retain the real and personal property belonging to the Grange."

In regard to the first cause of action, the judge answered that while the Grange By-Laws did not automatically require the corporation to dissolve upon the surrendering or revocation of the Charter in this instance, it is clear that the rules of the Grange apply. McFarland's argument that the California State Grange Constitution was superseded by the act of incorporating in 1946 was not adopted by the Court. "Based on its Charter, Constitution, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and actions, it is apparent that the Now Unchartered State Grange, whether it was specifically adopted in its incorporation documents or not, was supposed to and did recognize the National Grange's Digest of Laws as governing them as a subordinate part of the Order." The Judge also cited the O'Sullivan case from the State of Washington as authority that incorporation does not destroy the relationship between the divisions of the Grange.

Judge Brown recognized the vital role of the Digest when he ruled, "...it is undisputed that the Now Unchartered State Grange recognized and was governed by the National Grange's Digest of Laws, the supreme laws of the Order. Accordingly, based on the undisputed language of the National Grange's Digest of laws, the revocation of the Now Unchartered State Grange's charter, the subsequent inability of the Now Unchartered State Grange to operate as a Grange, and the Now Unchartered State Grange's acknowledgment that it is no longer affiliated with the Order, it has no standing to retain any real and personal property belonging to the Grange."

He also listed several reasons why McFarland's legal arguments regarding the conflict between the California Corporations Code and Grange law were unfounded.

2. "In the second cause of action, National Grange seeks a declaration that by following its rechartering rules under the Bylaws of the Order, the Newly Chartered State Grange is properly recognized as the sole chartered Grange entity entitled to use and control Grange property in California."

In deciding on the second cause of action, Judge Brown was brief and clear: "Because it is also undisputed that the Now Unchartered State Grange's Charter was revoked, it therefore could not operate as a Grange, and it acknowledged it was no longer affiliated with the Order (as discussed above), the Newly Chartered State Grange is the only Grange entity entitled to use and control Grange property in California pursuant to the National Grange's Digest of Laws."

3. "In the third cause of action, National Grange seeks a declaration that the property should revert to possession and/or control of the Newly Chartered State Grange under the Bylaws."

Here, Judge Brown relied on precedent from a Masonic Case where the "... the California Court of Appeal held that the assets of a fraternal association are the property of all the members, not of any number less than all of them." This reaffirms the rules of the Grange as it relates to property belonging to the Order. Grange property belongs to the organization, which is governed by rules that apply to all.

The Judge concluded with this forceful point regarding McFarland's arguments: "Indeed, it is a "fundamental mistake" ... "to rely solely on California corporations law in a vacuum, without reference to the articles of incorporation and bylaws" of the subordinate corporation, as well as the constitution of the larger entity."

In addition, Judge Brown summarily rejected separate legal argument advanced by McFarland uniquely against the National Grange.

This ruling is consistent with years of settled precedent both in California and elsewhere. This result is what our attorneys predicted would happen when the Court took action on our motion. Just as the recent Trademark ruling in Federal Court for the National Grange and the O'Sullivan Case in Washington, this ruling in California State Court will stand as another



Secretary's Column

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Today is your day; your mountain is waiting, so get on your way! Dr. Seuss

As the farmer harvests his crop, the Grange secretaries begin to "harvest" their crop of information and year end reports. This "harvest" can be daunting at times.

I have created a checklist for you to follow:

- **Quarterly Report:** The third quarter, Quarterly Report should be filled out and approved by your Grange. Be sure to note the due date.

- **Membership list:** The Oregon State office will be sending out your membership list. Review this list carefully for accuracy and update it completely. Please return your membership list to the Oregon State Grange office with your Quarterly Report.

- **Election of Officers:** The Election of officers can be held anytime after August 1st. Use paper ballots for this procedure. Be sure to review the Election of Officers proceedings in your Secretary's Handbook.

- **Dues:** It is never too early to send out the first dues reminder notice. Remember that Grange dues are payable by December 31, 2015. No Grange member can be dropped on the 4th Quarter Report because of non-payment of dues. The reminder

notices can be purchased from the Oregon State Grange office or you can create your own. Please review the dues proceedings in your Secretary's handbook.

- **Insurance:** If you have GIA Insurance, you need to seek a new insurance provider. You will be receiving a Non Renewal Notice from GIA. You will need this notice and a Loss Run (which shows any losses that your Grange has had with GIA) for your new provider.

- **The Important Document Binder:** As we hear reports of more wildfires, I remind you of the importance of creating your Important Document Binder for your Grange. Don't procrastinate; ask for help from your members in assembling this binder. I have a sample Table of Contents for you as a guide. I will be happy to send you a copy. I hope this checklist will make your "Fall Harvest" effortless.

As always, I am always available to answer any of your questions and or concerns. Feel free to contact me at alice.nowicki@yahoo.com.

Happy Fall!



important victory for the rights of Grange Members and the National Grange and the Order. While the legal actions may take time to wind down, we are now, to paraphrase the great Winston Churchill, at the beginning of the end of this litigation. Mr. McFarland has repeatedly said to our members to wait until the Court rules before taking any new actions. Well, the Court has now ruled, so hopefully he will keep his promise and work with the National Grange. There comes a time when things must end. And that time is now, consistent with the sound rulings of the State and Federal Courts.

I would like to thank all of you who have stood up for the Grange rules and structure during this difficult time. Our California Brothers and Sisters who have stood with us have been much maligned and deserve our thanks. I have great confidence that a large number of our California Brothers and Sisters will be rejoining the Grange organization now that the Court has made such a clear ruling.

I will not sugar-coat today's victory: it was expensive, time-consuming and completely avoidable if the obligations of the Digest had been followed. But having been forced into this situation, it was necessary to preserve our Order.

The full text of the court ruling can be viewed at <http://files.ctctcdn.com/859610f4101/0e337240-c213-4269-ae08-7b983bf062d2.pdf>.

Fraternally Yours,

Edward L. Luttrell, Master, the National Grange



Keizer Grange Master, Aaron Embree talks with a couple mother and children about the Grange.

Keizer Grange Participates In National Night Out August 4

Keizer Grange #785 in Marion County participated in the 2015 National Night Out on Tuesday evening August 4 from 6-9pm. The Grange is located in downtown Keizer, a true urban Grange. They invited the neighbors to come by, have some ice cream and meet others in their neighborhood. McGruff the Crime fighting dog along with the Keizer Police stopped by.

National Night Out was a partnership with the National Association of Town Watch; the Keizer Police Department co-sponsored the 31st annual National Night Out event.

Several people stopped by, many having never been in the Grange Hall although they walk by it all the time, and a few picked up membership applications.



L-R: GROW Club members John Fine, Suzy Ramm, Joyce Parker, Thomas Parker, Alexa Suing and Connie Suing.

GROW Club Serves Ice Cream

The GROW Club has served several Ice Cream Socials this summer. In August the club was at Santa Clara Grange's open house and McMinnville Grange's Farmers Market;

September found the club at Leedy Grange's Community Fair and Parade. In October members will be at the Shepherder's Ball and Grange Hall dedication at South Fork Grange.

Midland Grange Holds Picnic



Members of Midland Grange #781 took advantage of a beautiful day in the shade for a picnic. Enjoying good food and fellowship from left to right are Dean High, Vickie High, Phil Van Buren, Louise Holst, Eleanor Sukraw, Brenda Jensen, Louisa Horton and Taylor High.

Sauvie Island Grange Celebrates 80th

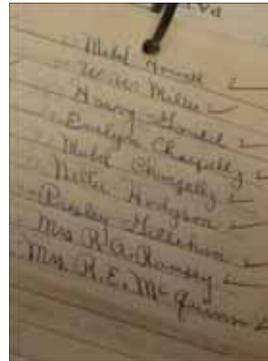
The Sauvie Island Grange # 840 is celebrating their 80th year "Oak" anniversary with an old fashioned Potluck dinner at 6pm, at the Grange Hall, 14443 NW Charlton Rd., on Monday, October 12th. A special program honoring Mabel (Howell) Dudley, their last surviving charter member and the history of their island will be presented. For 80 years, Mabel has worked tirelessly on behalf of the Grange.



Mabel (Howell) Dudley, last living charter member.

The Grange on Sauvie Island was formed in 1935, with 21 men and 14 women. They banded together to represent the island farming

community, which was only accessible by ferry! This made it a unique Grange with close family-like ties with their neighbors. At their celebration, longtime members will honor Mabel and talk about how the Grange helped bring basic amenities like power, telephones, and eventually a bridge to their island home.



Sister Dudley joined as Mabel Howell on October 28, 1935 and was just barely old enough to become a member.

This atmosphere of working together for the betterment of the island and nearby communities still survives today. Sauvie Island Grange has an extensive scholarship program, and proudly contributes to many other local charitable organizations. They are happy to have about 110 members and are always looking for more. Please feel welcome to eat potluck and celebrate with them in October!

Crow Grange Holds 7th Annual Chicken And Pickin BBQ

When you hear "Best chicken ever" and "Oh, this corn is so good" you know your event was a success.

August 1st. Many people braved the 100 degree weather to come and join them for their yummy BBQ and then they were treated to wonderful music by the Poodle Creek pickers. No one went away hungry and a great time was had by all.



Everyone enjoyed their meal and the music of the Poodle Creek Pickers.

Your Name: _____ Moving? Let Us Know.
 Old Address: _____ New Address: _____
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 Grange Name/Number: _____

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

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