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News about the Grange

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Grange Volunteers Needed for 2011 Ag Fest

Oregon State Grange is an official sponsor of the Ag Fest set for Saturday, April 30, and Sunday, May 1, at the state fairgrounds in Salem in the Ag Country Building.

This annual event is an activity-filled festival where kids (and grown-ups too!) can touch, taste and experience life on the farm according to a spokesman for the event. At Ag Fest, those attending can dig for potatoes, watch chicks hatch, milk a "cow", see the bees and much, much more.

Saturday hours are 8:30 am – 5 pm and Sunday's, 10 am – 5 pm. Ages 12 and younger will be admitted free. Adult tickets are \$7.50 and parking is free.

The "Grange Hall" will be in the Ag Country Building where 4,000 seedlings from Herrick Farms in Waltherville will be available. Vernon Herrick, will be assisted by his wife Paula and many volunteers in helping the young and old plant the seedlings. "It's digging in the soil, planting the seedling, watering it and packaging it to take home and is the first time for many of the youngsters to play in the soil and get their hands dirty," he explained.

The event is also used to promote our organization with membership material available through the efforts of Membership Co-Directors Malcolm and Cookie Trupp.

Ag Country is a replica of an old-time farming community featuring cardboard buildings housing the local feed store, dairy barn, nursery, garden area, country store and local bank. Over 17,000 attend Ag Fest each year to learn about Oregon's largest industry.

Those wishing to volunteer should contact Paula at 541-741-1046. According to State Master Larry Rea, it took over 50 volunteers last year to work during the two days. He asked that you contact Paula as soon as possible so that you can be assigned to the shift of your choice.

Youth Report

Fellow Grangers ...

The new year is still young and the time worn expression "out with the old and in with the new" can be summed up with our new year resolutions. You ask, what youth goals are we working on this year? Let us share.

One resolution is to challenge ALL grangers to earn one or two National Grange Achievement Award seals. A copy of the National program can be found online on the youth page of the Oregon State Grange website, www.orgrange.org/youth.htm. The achievement awards may be earned by any Grange member, regardless of age. The awards to be earned are numerous and of a wide variety, something to interest everyone. Why are we making this challenge? The National Grange can only pick up the lodging costs of youth attending National Session if there are enough dollars to do so. The National fund was supplemented with grant dollars this last year. The awards earned each year are a quantitative measure of success that can be used in the grant application process. Earning an achievement award is a simple way to support our youth.

The next resolution is to keep encouraging the youth in their efforts to do deeds of good work and grow as leaders. Our youth are active in their communities, supporting their Granges and leaving an imprint of good will. Just a few examples are

- Alexa Suing passed out candy and dog snacks while walking the entire length of the Springfield Christmas parade,
- Stormie Williamson has been volunteering her hand at the Heartland Humane Society

and Vina Moses which helps the unfortunate,

• the youth installed Lane County and McMinnville Grange officers,

• Kiri Schnetzky recruited one youth member for her Grange and possibly a second youth member, and

• Many Clackamas youth lifted their voices in joy while caroling at three senior care facilities this past December,

• the Clackamas youth served dinner before the Clackamas county exemplification of the fifth degree.

The last resolution is communication which means making all the youth information available online; Oregon and National Program Handbooks, applications and other information of value. Contest deadlines will be enforced so along with the deadline dates being in the program descriptions, we will be diligent in utilizing the online calendar for posting deadlines.

The youth program is not an island unto itself and owes it success to members who continue to encourage us. Does your Subordinate or Pomona have a member that has provided a 'boost' to the youth? We'd love to recognize and honor their support at the youth banquet at our upcoming session. There is an application in this bulletin ... please take a moment to complete it and forward to the OSG Youth Director.

Let me leave you with a thought from *Mahatma Gandhi ... The future depends on what we do in the present.* So I ask; have you encouraged a youth today?

Fraternally,
Kitty 'Cat' Thomas

Spencer Creek Grange is Celebrating 75 Years!

You are invited to our
Open House

Sunday, May 22, 2011
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Presentation of Service Awards
will begin at 2:30 p.m.

Lorane Hiway & McBeth Road
www.spencercreekgrange.org

2011 Oregon State Grange Session Child Care

Do you have a child under the age of 5 or a child of Junior age who will not be participating in the Junior program Monday through Wednesday of State Session? Childcare will be available during the 5th and 6th degree for those participating in the degrees as well as those viewing them. It will also be available during session and session committees if pre-notification is given. If you will need childcare during these times, please call or e-mail Susie Kroeker at 541-924-0655 or at sjones1273@hotmail.com by May 20th. Children will be cared for by a state certified childcare provider.

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The Master's Column

Ye Olde Chevy Blazer has exceeded 300,000 miles. Not bad for a Chevy... of course, by this time next month the odometer will read 305,000 with any luck at all. Let's put that in terms of gallons of gasoline, at 20 mpg that's 15,000 gallons and at today's price of \$3.75 a gallon that's \$56,250... if we manufactured gasoline in the USA all that money would have stayed home.

Four weekends past, Midland Grange (near Klamath Falls) celebrated four score years as a Grange. They had a party and asked me to speak about the origins of the Grange... how could I turn that down? We had a grand time... they did a fine job... had a good crowd. I couldn't stay and enjoy the hospitality so headed back toward the office immediately after cake and coffee.

Three weekends past, Ed Luttrell was planning a Teamspeak with the Western Masters with the idea that we would nominate and select someone to chair the National Session committees for the Boise conference. Just before we were scheduled to go online a windstorm blew through and we were without power for two days. It's amazing how many times we flipped the light switch to turn on the lights during those two days. Brother Ed is encouraging Granges to use social media so we now have a blog, actually two blogs (OR Grange) and (Grange 101). Our Facebook group (Oregon State Grange) is now public. What remains is for the rest of you to join Facebook and be friends with the rest of us.

Two weekends past, Boulevard Grange (near Ontario) hosted "Hands Across the Border", an event that alternates annually between Idaho and Oregon. Attending from the valley were Cookie and Malcolm Trupp; Mark and Susan Noah. Boulevard is about a 6-7 hour drive from Portland and snow was forecast for most of the route on the east

side of the Cascades. I intended to go but realized I had to be in Seattle Sunday night to attend the GIA annual meeting Monday morning. About the only way I could do both events was to fly to Boise, rent a car to drive to Boulevard, drive back to Boise, fly to Seattle, fly back to Portland... much too complicated... so I elected to skip Boulevard and drive to Seattle and attend the GIA summit. I'll be at the Hands Across the Border next year someplace in Idaho.

I haven't been downtown Seattle for quite a few years and had forgotten how impressive the skyline is when entering the city from the South. After the earthquake in Tokyo one can't help but wonder how our cities would fare with a quake of that magnitude. Downtown Seattle is built on a steep hillside so one could imagine the whole town sliding downhill into the water.

The motel where I stayed was literally across the street from the Sound and the windows of my room looked out on the harbor. Usually my motel view is of the parking lot so I enjoyed watching the ferries and other boats working along the waterfront.

Early Monday morning the Western Masters met for breakfast and a chat with the National Master Ed Luttrell. Then we gathered at the GIA office building for the GIA meeting. After the meeting lunch was provided and each State Master given an opportunity to speak. This is a talented bunch of folks but I don't think I embarrassed myself. It was an interesting meeting and a great opportunity to mingle with like-minded folks. Last weekend, the 2012 State Session committee met at Fairmount Grange (near Albany) to discuss the upcoming session at the Benton County Fairgrounds beginning June 20th. It was a lively meeting and you will be hearing more about that in the coming days.

Next weekend, the Pomona summit is being hosted by Oregon in Cottage Grove, we have a sellout crowd and a great program facilitated by Rusty Hunt from the National Grange. You will hear more about that also... Around the Office:

John and Peggy Fine volunteered to chair the 2012 National Session Committee at Boise, Idaho... the Western Region is the host. It's a big job and we appreciate that they stepped up to the plate.

Ken and Shirley Naylor stopped by the office. Ken brought his bucket of tools and ladder. He replaced some of our overhead florescent lights so we can see again.

Nadine Telschow spent a day stuffing envelopes for a mailing we were sending out.

Marilyn Reiher comes by one day a week (usually Thursday) and we use her journalistic skills. She just finished a huge project and will be starting on the Session materials soon.

Kitty Thomas and a gang of youth were in the office to stuff envelopes for the Goodie Basket mail out... you should have the tickets in hand by the time the Bulletin arrives.

Kitty Thomas has agreed to be the Empress and Autocrat of the Log Cabin... look for some changes in the way we do things at the Cabin... more on this from Kitty, later.

Dean and Linda Soper inventoried the sound equipment in preparation for use at the State Session.



Fraternally,
Larry Rea

MANDELL SCHOLARSHIP NEEDS SUPPORT

The Oregon State Grange Foundation does a lot of things, one of which is holding Scholarship funds and awarding Scholarships to deserving youth and those who need help. One of these is the Marcel "Muzzy" Mandell Memorial Scholarship. "Muzzy" Mandell was a member of Sherwood Grange and served as its Master for many years. As Sherwood Master he went to State Grange Sessions.

We all know that economic changes have cut the amount of interest that is there to be used for the scholarships, so if anyone can help by adding to the fund it would be appreciated by the Foundation and all the future winners of this scholarship. Send your donation to the Oregon State Grange Foundation, 643 Union Street NE, Salem, OR 97301. Be sure to put Mandell Scholarship Fund on the memo line of your check.

Also graduating seniors, remember to take advantage of the scholarships that are available. There are forms available in the Oregon State Grange website, www.orgrange.org. Applications must be turned into a Foundation Trustee by Sunday June 19th before 10:00 AM. Good Luck applicants.

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The Chaplain's Message

I LIKE THIS TEACHER

A lesson that should be taught in all schools—and colleges. Back in September of 2005, on the first day of school, Martha Cothren, a social studies school teacher at Robinson High School in Little Rock, did something not to be forgotten. On the first day of school, with the permission of the superintendent, the principal and the building supervisor, she removed all of the desks out of her classroom.

When the first period kids entered the room they discovered that there were no desks.

"Ms. Cothren, where're our desks?"

She replied, "You can't have a desk until you tell me how you earn the right to sit at a desk."

They thought, "Well, maybe it's our grades."

"No," she said.

"Maybe its our behavior."

She told them, "No, it's not even you behavior."

And so, they came and went, the first period, second period, third period.

Still no desks in the classroom.

By early afternoon television news crews had started gathering in Ms. Cothren's classroom to report about this crazy teacher who had taken all the desks out of her room.

The final period of the day came and as the puzzled students found seats on the floor of the deskless classroom, Martha Cothren said, "Throughout the day no one has been able to tell me just what he/she has done to earn the right to sit at the desks that are ordinarily found in this classroom.

"Now I am going to tell you."

At this point, Martha Cothren

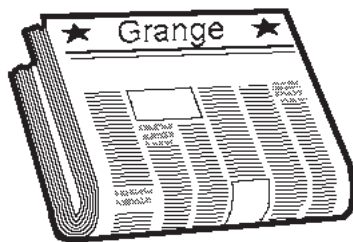
went over to the door of her classroom and opened it.

Twenty-seven (27) U.S. Veterans, all in uniforms, walked into that classroom, each one carrying a school desk. The Vets began placing the school desks in rows, and then they would walk over and stand alongside the wall. By the time the last soldier had set the final desk in place those kids started to understand, perhaps for the first time in their lives, just how the right to sit at those desks had been earned.

Martha said, "You didn't earn the right to sit at these desks. These heroes did it for you. They placed the desks here for you. Now, it's up to you to sit in them. It is your responsibility to learn, to be a good students, to be good citizens. They paid the price so that you could have the freedom to get an education. Please don't ever forget it."

By the way, this is a true story.

Gail Wilson
Past Chaplain



GWA Report

Greetings Grange Brothers and Sisters:

Here it is Spring again and the year is flying by on jet propelled wings. June is fast approaching and we all need to be getting our contest entries ready. I have to confess that I missed two of the contests when I typed out my program.

Please be advised that the PLASTIC CANVAS CONTEST AND THE JAM AND JELLY CONTEST are still going. Sorry that I missed it.

We had a great time at our GWA Conferences. Anyone who did not attend missed a really informative conversation and an all around good time. Thank you Frogpond Grange in Wilsonville and Fruitdale Grange in Grants Pass for inviting me.

If you need any information please call me. I will be happy to answer your questions.

Fraternally,
Beverly Doescher
OSG GWA Director



Community Service/ Involvement

We would like to thank all those Granges who have responded to our last month's appeal. The reports are starting to come in on the new forms and our job is just a little better! We knew it would be tough, but our wonderful Oregon Grangers came through big time! Thank You, Thank You!

What we would like to talk about this month is the 2010 Annual Report. This report, which is due by March 31st, 2011, has undergone some significant changes at the National Grange level. In years before, we needed to have 10% or more of our Oregon Granges send it Annual Reports in order to get the \$250.00 prize money from the National Grange. When we put together the Program Guide for 2011-2012, we were unaware that National Grange had changed the requirements, and about a week ago, we received notification that the number of Granges sending in the Annual Report needs to be **25%** or more, in order to qualify for the National prize money and recognition

certificates! The figure is to be based on the total number of Granges in Oregon as of Dec. 31st, 2010, which in our case is 182 Granges. Twenty-Five percent of that total, or 46 Granges, are needed to get this prize money from National Grange.

If your Grange does not usually send in this report, please consider it this year? It's just a matter of getting the form, either from the Oregon State Grange website, from the State Office, or from us directly. The deadline is just around the corner and we really do want to see Oregon Granges recognized!! If we do not get the 46 Annual Reports sent in, we will not be able to give out ANY prize money to the participating Granges this year, and it would be a shame to have to lose out on this prize money. If your Grange compiles an Annual Yearbook, please make sure it is sent to the OSG State office by the deadline. To get credit for 46 Granges, it will not matter whether your Grange send in a Yearbook or just the 4 page report itself.

Again, Thank You for all your efforts on behalf of your Community Grange as Community Service/ Involvement Chairperson

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Membership Tip: "SHARE THE FEELING"

We see many Grangers are out there who love the Grange and spend countless hours working for the Grange. They never miss a meeting and are first to sign up to help with the next program or project, but they hesitate to share the feeling of satisfaction they get from working with others. They need to feel free to share their feelings they have for the Grange with others and invite them to experience those feelings too.

So, as members of the Grange, we can "share the feeling" in several ways. First, by showing how we believe in the Grange and how others can benefit from the Grange. Second, we have a desire to work with others, and help them to see how great our organization can be. And last, that we want to be seen as a good example of being a Grange Member and that Membership in the Grange is a positive thing!

Share the sense of hope, optimism, and accomplishment that we feel as being a member of this great organization.....The Grange!



Greetings from the Membership Committee,

Membership in Action ~ Be a piece of the Puzzle!

In the 2011-2012 OSG Activity Planning Guide, you will find the Membership Program starting on page 45. We want to bring this information to your attention so you can look over the different Membership Tools that our department has to offer. As an overview, we have Banners, Brochures, Membership Contest, Digital Slide Show, Membership Tip of the Month, and Membership Conferences. There will be special assorted items offered primarily at State Session such as Puzzle pins, Coffee Mugs, & Personalized Grange Greeting Cards.

We encourage you to open the Activity Planning Guide and take a look at what YOUR GRANGE Departments have planned for the next two years...Be Positive, Be Active, Be involved ~ Promote the Grange!



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REPORT FROM THE OREGON STATE GRANGE VETERANS' COMMITTEE

In this issue on the cheerful beginning of spring, we want all State Grangers to know that our Action Committee for Veterans and their families, which no doubt includes nearly every Sister and Brother statewide. You are reminded that this Committee was authorized by our previous State Grange Convention and was formally brought into existence by our beloved past Master Phyllis Wilson.

This brief paragraph does not allow room for us to report our many successful projects. However, it does allow this

chairman to state an important view of our mission:

- aid in assisting Veterans, old and young, in their various needs
- pushing for legislative action on women Veteran's concerns and issues

- attempting to arrange for better transportation for rural Veterans and especially a medical traveling unit to serve the outreach areas.

And serving as a liaison with our state officials and congressional members in securing benefits and other needs. (Not all of us are in our eighties like I am, but the majority are old soldiers who know how to talk to YOUNG and OLD soldiers- a paramount service of which we are very proud.)

May God bless all of us.

Fraternally,
Rev. RF (Bob) Biggs, Chairman
Nate Dorn, Vice-Chair



The Secretary's Column

The staff at your Oregon State Grange office is gearing up for this year's State Session, which begins Sunday, June 19, and concludes Friday, June 24, at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis. "A Slice of Heaven in 2011" is this year's theme chosen by District #2, the hosts for the 138th event.

The office copy machine will begin running for countless hours when production gets underway to put together the State Session packets. The May Bulletin has traditionally been our "session" publication and mailings should arrive soon with forms, etc. needed for session.

National Masters' & Officers' Conference

As the National Grange Chaplain, I was asked to attend this conference held last month in Nevada. The following are some bits of information I think you will find interesting.

- Oregon is one of the seven (7) largest membership states in the U.S. These seven states represent 25% of the voting delegates at the National Grange convention. Based on the 3rd quarter 2010 report, Oregon had 184 Granges and 6,168 members. Washington is the state with the largest number of Granges – 259, with 14,901 members. California had 180 Granges with 9,104 members.

- There are 10 "medium" size states with 25 – 99 Granges and represent 35% of the delegate body.

- Small states total 19 and have 6 – 24 Granges and represent 40% of the delegate body.

- The 2009 trademark legal fees totaled \$447,968 with 2010 fees at \$340,989.

- National Lecturer Pete Pompper is asking every Grange nationwide to hold some type of event on Saturday, July 16, to promote the Grange to its community.

- "Social Networking" was an afternoon topic and included Facebook, Twitter, Blogger, YouTube and LinkedIn. Are you

MEMBERSHIP IN ACTION

The Co-Chairs of the Oregon State Membership Committee will present "Membership in Action" on Saturday, May 7 from 2 to 4 at the Spencer Creek Grange in Lane County. The presentation has been presented twice this last fall; once in Baker County at Elkhorn Grange for the adjoining Pomona's and in Lane County at Ada Grange for the West Coast District and the adjoining Pomona's. The Presentation was well received at both locations with a lot of appreciation and value. The purpose of the presentation is to present workable ideas that we have tried at Spencer Creek Grange which has not only resulted in Growth in numbers but Growth in the programs we are providing for the community. We especially encourage the Grangers in Lane County and adjacent Pomona's to attend. We will be planning special presentations in the Portland and Grants Pass areas in the future. These will be announced in the Grange Bulletin.

You don't need to register, just come, we have room. We think you will find it valuable and enlightening.

Malcolm and Cookie Trupp
OSG Membership Co-Chairs

Your Name: _____

Moving? Let Us Know.

New address: _____

Grange Name/Number: _____

Old Address: _____

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one of the hundreds of thousands of persons participating in social networking every day?

“Your Grange and Traditional Media” – the old ways aren’t dead yet. 70% of American adults read at least one printed daily newspaper every week. 92.5% of the population are radio listeners. The average American spends 20% of its time watching television.

“Public Relations 101” focused on building media relationships, presenting Grange news and member communications. You can download a “Public Relations Manual” from the National Grange website.

Mailings to Secretaries

The March 17th mailing included important information regarding scholarship applications, writing resolutions and this year’s “Grange Day at the State Capitol”. Please remember that all of this information needs to be shared with your members.

Another mailing went out the week of March 21 and contained mainly information about State Session. When your State Session delegates are selected, please be sure that they have this information.

Did You Know?

How many of you were aware of the following by-law?

·Proper attire for meetings at all levels of the Grange shall consist of wearing prescribed regalia or an official Grange pin, and is obligatory upon all members except when a member claims exemption because of religious convictions, then may be excused by a vote of the Grange. [Article 2 – All Granges. Section 2, Officers 2.2.1 (b)]

Dates to Remember

·April
Grange Month
·Friday-Sunday, April 1-3
National Pomona Summit,
Cottage Grove
·Thursday, April 14
Grange Day at the State Capitol
·Sat. & Sun., April 30 & May 1
Ag Fest – Oregon State
Fairgrounds
·5 pm Friday, May 13
Resolution Deadline
·5 pm Friday, May 13
Delegate Committee Preference
Forms due
·8 am Saturday, May 21
OSG Exec. Committee meeting –
state office
·9 am Sunday, May 22
OSG Foundation meeting – state
office

Keep on Grangin’
Phyllis Wilson, Secretary

Executive Committee Minutes September 25, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by Master Larry Rea. The opening prayer was led by State Secretary Phyllis Wilson. Other Executive Committee members present were Derrell Witty, Malcolm Trupp, Don Sether and Mark Noah. Also attending was State Deputy John Knox. A quorum was declared.

MINUTES: The minutes of the July 10, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. John Bartel’s Request for Co-Sponsorship - Mr. Bartel is again requesting support for the initiative he has been working on regarding formation of a 3-member state energy commission. There is a long history on this matter. Following discussion, Mark moved and Don seconded to refer the request to OSG Energy Director Carol Everman. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- A. Office Membership Report – Membership totals are as of the beginning of July. There are six (6) Granges with 13 members or less. The Master’s strategy will be to find the strongest Grange in the area and consolidate others with it. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes.
- B. Financial Report for Period Ending May 31, 2010 – Members reviewed this report. A copy is attached to these minutes.
- C. 2009 Audit Update – Ours is one of four audits being conducted by our new auditor Mike Rice. He has worked with Larry, Phyllis and Susan Noah.
- D. Investment Report – A very detailed “Investment Process” report was presented by Scottie Dickson, who has been helping OSG with its investments. A copy of his report will be attached to these minutes for future reference. We currently have Wells Fargo Advisors (WFA) and LPL professionally managing accounts, plus Scottie is managing our accounts with T. Rowe Price.
- Scottie discussed the need for a fast transfer of funds through automated check handling (ACH), which we only have with T. Rowe Price. He recommended establishing ACH between our current bank (Bank of the Cascades) and WFA and LPL. Phyllis moved and Don seconded to establish ACH transfers with WFA and LPL. Motion carried.
 - Scottie highlighted activities on our “reaper” and “gleaner” accounts with all of the investment firms and offered various options that he felt would enhance our investments. Mark moved and Don seconded that we go with Scottie’s Option #2 on the “reaper” account. This would move \$500,000 from the WFA reaper account and invest \$300,000 with OSG investment monitor and \$200,000 with LPL reaper. Motion carried.
 - He also expressed his concerns about not being able to obtain up-to-date financial information from the office and the delay in getting money from the sale of Grange properties invested in a timely manner. Our current office accounting procedures and only having part-time staff are to blame for his concerns.
- E. Single Signer for Checks – The Master mentioned that on occasion there is an immediate need to process a check and that getting the two (2) required signatures sometimes takes additional time. Board members currently review bank statements and copies of canceled checks. Mark felt that only one (1) signature on amounts up to \$2,500 could be allowed. Following discussion, Phyllis moved and Don seconded to consult with our auditor and seek his opinion on single signer checks. Motion carried.

NATIONAL GRANGE:

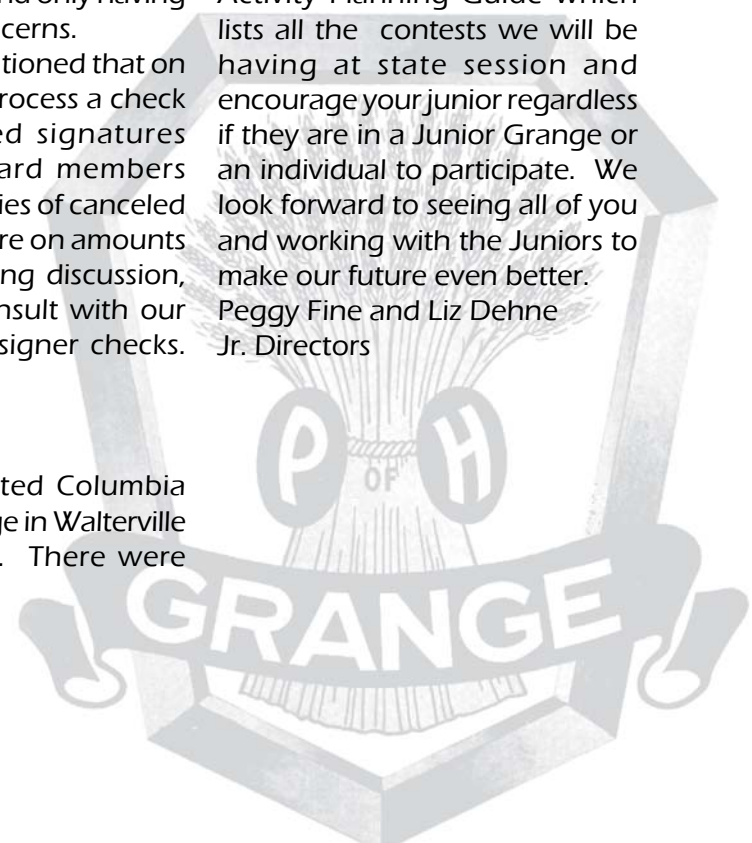
- A. National Grange Master Ed Luttrell visited Columbia Grange in Hermiston and Walterville Grange in Walterville in July with our Master at both events. There were between 25-30 at each meeting.



Junior Report

Dear Grangers,
Spring is here and convention will be here soon. I hope that you have taken the time to read the 2011-2012 Activity Planning Guide you received from the State Grange. In particular, the Juniors have adopted a theme which is **Helping Others Help Themselves**. We are very excited about the possibilities that this project will bring. Junior members will be collecting money thru a variety of means. These funds will be used to purchase chickens, ducks, goats, heifers, etc. for Samaritans Purse or World Vision. The children will actually be able to pick their purchase (depending on the amount of money raised). The way the program works is this - if the kids raise \$70, they can purchase a goat through Samaritans Purse for a struggling village in Africa. The milk from the goat feed infants and children starving from malnutrition. The family receiving the goat is also able to make butter and cheese for their use and to sell. The family must agree to return a female goat kid to the program to be given to a neighboring village to perpetuate the program. Thus the gift of a farm animal is never ending, helping dozens of people help themselves.

Juniors are also encouraged to organize a food drive in their local area and donate the food to a local food pantry. Please read the Activity Planning Guide which lists all the contests we will be having at state session and encourage your junior regardless if they are in a Junior Grange or an individual to participate. We look forward to seeing all of you and working with the Juniors to make our future even better.
Peggy Fine and Liz Dehne
Jr. Directors



Grange Day At the State Capitol *Thursday, April 14*

State Capitol Hearing Room (room to be determined)

9 am to Noon – Grange Legislative Issues with 4-6 speakers

Noon to 2 pm – Catered Lunch & “Open Mic”

RSVP to OSG Office no later than Monday, April 11

to order lunch and reserve a seat.

Each Grange member is encouraged to meet with their respective legislators, visit the House and Senate and/or visit committee hearings.

I will be attending. I want a catered lunch. \$10 enclosed

I will be attending. I do not want a catered lunch.

Bread: Wheat___ Sourdough___ Gluten Free (UDI)___
Meat: Turkey___ Ham___ Roast Beef___ Veggie Wrap w/Artisan Tortilla___
Diet Pepsi___ Reg Pepsi___ Diet Coke___ Reg Coke___ Dr Pepper___ Bottled Water___
Please indicate below what you DO NOT want on your sandwich (example: mayo, pickles, etc.)

We have to provide the order information to the caterer Monday afternoon, April 11. If the office does not receive your order by 3 pm that day, we will not be able to provide a lunch for you.

Name_____ Phone_____

Grange_____ Email_____

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Youth Booster Award Application

Every nominee will be recognized at the Youth Banquet during State Convention

Name_____

Address_____

eMail_____

Grange_____ Pomona_____

Is Subordinate or Pomona recommending them for the award? _____

Confirm this individual is 37 years of age or more Yes No

The purpose of the award is to recognize those grangers who have provided a boost the youth program with positive encouragement or positive acts during the past year.

Please briefly recap why this individual is deserving of a youth booster award?
(use back of page if necessary)

All nominees will be presented with a certificate of appreciation for their support

Please forward to State Youth Director

By the May 15th deadline

2011 OSG State Session Meal Ticket Order Form

Meal	Day	Quantity	Price Each	Total
Kickoff Banquet	Sunday	_____	\$14.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 6.00 (12 & under)	_____
Lunch (Sub Sand.)	Monday	_____	\$ 6.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 4.00 (12 & under)	_____
Foundation Banquet	Monday	_____	\$14.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 6.00 (12 & under)	_____
Lunch (Sausage Sand.)	Tuesday	_____	\$ 6.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 4.00 (12 & under)	_____
Membership Banquet	Tuesday	_____	\$14.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 6.00 (1 child 12 & under)	_____
GWA Luncheon	Wednesday	_____	\$ 10.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 5.00 (12 & under)	_____
Lunch (Pizza)	Thursday	_____	\$ 6.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 4.00 (12 & under)	_____
Youth Banquet	Thursday	_____	\$ 14.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 5.00 (12 & under)	_____
Lunch (Burritos)	Friday	_____	\$ 6.00 (adults)	_____
		_____	\$ 4.00 (12 & under)	_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED				_____

RESERVE MEAL TICKETS BY THURSDAY, JUNE 9th.

ADDITIONAL TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SESSION, BUT IT WILL SAVE TIME FOR EVERYONE IF TICKETS ARE ORDERED IN ADVANCE.

YOUR HELP WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED IF TICKETS ARE ORDERED BY THURSDAY, JUNE 9th.

Name of Granger: _____

Grange/County: _____

Personal Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Special Meal Preferences: _____ Vegan _____ Vegetarian _____ Gluten Free Pasta _____

If we have sufficient people interested, we will order small batches of alternative meals

Please make check payable to 2011 State Grange Session Committee.

Jay Sexton
232 N. 8th St.
Philomath OR 97370

If you have questions on meals or meal tickets, you can call Jay at 541-929-5452.
If no answer, please leave a message & your phone number for return call.

2011 State Session Meal Menu

Meal Ticket Order Form can be found elsewhere in this issue.
Please reserve meal tickets by Thursday, June 9th.

<p><u>Sunday, June 19th</u> <u>Kickoff Banquet</u> \$14 Adults \$6 Children 12 & Under Tailgate Party Details in May Bulletin</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, June 22</u> <u>GWA Luncheon</u> \$10 Adults \$5 Children 12 & Under Chicken Picatta Roasted Red Potatoes Green Salad & Dressings Rolls Lemonade, Iced Tea, or Coffee</p>
<p><u>Monday, June 20th</u> <u>Foundation Banquet</u> \$14 Adults \$6 Children 12 & Under Beef Lasagna Green Salad & Dressings Rolls Lemonade, Iced Tea, or Coffee Dessert</p>	<p><u>Thursday, June 23</u> <u>Youth Banquet</u> \$14 Adults \$6 Children 12 & Under Chicken Florentine Alfredo Green Salad & Dressings Rolls Lemonade, Iced Tea, or Coffee Cake</p>
<p><u>Tuesday June 21</u> <u>Membership Banquet</u> \$14 Adults \$6 Children 12 & Under ½ Barbecued Chicken (1/4 for children) Baked Potato Salad / Dressing French Style Green Beans Rolls Large Brownie Dessert Beverages</p>	<p><u>Noon Lunches</u> <u>Monday, Tuesday</u> <u>Thursday & Friday</u> \$6 Adults \$4 Children 12 & Under</p> <p>Monday: Assorted Sub Sandwiches Variety of Meat and Veggie Soda</p> <p>Tuesday: Specialty Sausage Sandwiches Mild Kielbasa, Frankfurter, or Veggie Coleslaw or Pesto Pasta Salad Soda</p> <p>Thursday: Assorted Pizza Cheese, Pepperoni, Hawaiian or Veggie Soda</p> <p>Friday: Assorted Burritos Chicken, Beef, Bean & Cheese Soda</p>



UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Sale of Cold Spring Property - The property recently sold with net proceeds of \$61,511.
- B. Eastside Grange Property - The building has asbestos problems and this will present a problem in trying to sell the property. A few years ago, a proposal to demolish the building and remove the asbestos was \$31,000. We have a few options on abating the asbestos problem, but all will be costly. Phyllis asked if we could quit claim the property to the county. The consensus was to have the Master approach the county commissioners in that area to seek an equitable way to deal with the property. The property is valued at \$20,000 and folks across the street have offered \$200.
- C. Valley Falls Property - The property has a reversion clause and the relatives want the property deeded back to them. This issue arose about three (3) years ago. Everything was stolen from the property except the piano. Attempts to reorganize were unsuccessful.
- D. Coburg West Point Easement - An adjacent property owner had requested the easement for a power line. Malcolm had been asked by the Master to work with the property owner and the power company's with the proposed easement agreement. A new agreement calls for the power line to be underground. Coburg's Master was authorized to approve the revised proposal, but we have not yet heard back from him.
- E. Riversdale Grange - We are still in the process of getting ready to reorganize this Grange.
- F. Griffin Creek Grange Property - Griffin Creek will be consolidating with Phoenix Grange. The board received information this morning regarding the appraisal of the Griffin property. The appraisal totaled \$145,000 and a local bank has a buyer ready to purchase the property at that price. Malcolm moved and Derrell seconded to approve the sale at \$145,000. Motion carried.
- G. Crooked River Consolidation With Terrebonne - Derrell moved and Malcolm seconded to allow the consolidation. Motion carried. Crooked River requested that its \$5,000 remaining in a checking account be earmarked for an annual October fire department steak dinner. Crooked River is to be informed that the \$5,000 is to be held by us in trust for this event and that any money needed must be requested from the OSG.
- H. Keizer Consolidation with Fairfield - The Keizer property has been taken off the real estate market, rentals have increased and Keizer seems to be content to continue as its own Grange. Derrell moved and Don seconded to deny the consolidation of Keizer with Fairfield. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Fair Oaks - Members chose to turn out the lights and walk away from this Grange. It will officially be closed on September 30.
- B. Bellview - Members are having conflicts among themselves. The Master will attend the October meeting.
- C. Willakenzie - Problems between members have been ongoing with the Junior Grange no longer having access to the hall except for one time each month. The Master will attend the October meeting.
- D. North Howell Reorganization - A Welcome Ceremony was recently held and the charter is being held open for another month. Member Aaron Embree has proposed a second Grange at North Howell - with one to meet in the evening and one in the morning. National Grange Master Luttrell has given approval to this idea.
- E. Lane County Grange Tour - Larry and Malcolm visited Elmira, Crow, Franklin, Goldson, Spencer Creek and Four Oaks. Larry is to pursue a fair market price for the Franklin property as there is one group interested. Mark moved and Malcolm seconded to put Franklin on the market at the fair market value. Motion carried. Mark will pursue a written proposal on repairs to the ceiling at Four Oaks and will check on the water system.
- F. Redwood, Upper Rogue, Roxy Ann, Lake Creek Granges - One of these Granges has only eight (8) members, another has most members living in Texas, one wants to consolidate with Eagle Point Grange and a couple of these Granges have numerous rentals. There was a discussion on possible IRS problems for Granges having

substantial rental income. Larry will be visiting with these Granges and will offer the possibility of consolidating with Redwood.

- G. Multnomah Grange - This hall is in need of a new roof. It will cost \$8,000 for only ½ of the roof. There also are other issues with this Grange.
- H. Proposed Initiative Regarding School Attendance Notification Policies - Jane Netboy contacted Larry yesterday about this initiative. The Master is to get the actual initiative from Jane before any action is taken.
- I. State of Oregon Ethics Commission - The Commission has initiated a preliminary review regarding the possibility that OSG may have violated lobbying regulations in the staging of its Lobby Day and Salute to Agriculture events. Phyllis testified at a September 8 executive session of the Ethics Commission to present our response. If the Commission feels it has sufficient cause from the preliminary review, an investigation will then be conducted.
- J. Office Manager - At the request of the Master, Mark conducted this portion of the meeting. Phyllis moved and Don seconded that the Master be appointed as the Office Manager. Motion carried.
- K. National Grange Convention - Malcolm moved and Derrell seconded that Phyllis be appointed as the second delegate. Discussion included the fact that we would be prudent in sending her as the second delegate as a large portion of her expenses are paid by National Grange since she serves as National Chaplain. Motion carried. Our talent show winners will be attending and discussion followed on expenses for them. A few years ago, OSG paid the air fare, the winner's Pomona paid for the lodging and the winner's Subordinate Grange paid for the meals. The Activities Planning Guide states only that expenses "will be paid". There is only \$419 in the Talent Travel Fund. Phyllis moved and Malcolm seconded that any amount of money required above the Travel Fund come from the Leadership/Membership Fund. Motion carried.

Executive Session: 2:08 to 2:30 p.m.

GRANGE REPORTS:

- A. John Knox - He has only been to Hillsboro where there is sometimes a quorum for the meetings.
- B. Derrell Witty - He has visited Boulevard (a new, young Master), Mt. Vernon, Mt. Fannie (got water to hall & had it tested. Neighbor might want to buy Grange property), Hurricane Creek (\$5,000 grant from Wild Horse Casino to help with drilling new well), Liberty, Elkhorn, Pleasant Grove (have an apple cider making day planned), Willows and Rockwall (\$6,000 grant from Wild Horse Casino to upgrade electricity). He also attended a meeting in Enterprise on the problem of wolves in Eastern Oregon and spoke of our resolution regarding wolves that was passed at State Session.

OFFICER/DIRECTOR REPORTS:

- A. Malcolm Trupp - He and Cookie are scheduled for membership workshops at Elkhorn on October 16 and Ada Grange, October 24.
- B. Mark Noah - He and Susan were AS and LAS in the 6th Degree presented by National Grange in Alaska for 12 candidates. This was the first time Alaska has had a 6th Degree. There were 17 Grangers from nine (9) different State Granges. He reminded us of the Lane Pomona prime rib dinner Saturday, February 12 at Dorena Grange.
- C. Phyllis Wilson - As State Secretary, she receives numerous phone calls at home from secretaries. As Assistant to the Master, she has been visiting Granges in Curry, Coos and West Coast District. The 2010 Proceedings are nearing completion.

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING: The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m. with the next meeting set for 8 a.m. Saturday, January 29, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis A Wilson,
OSG Secretary

Oregon State Junior Grange Officer Application

Name _____

Address _____

Age _____ Grade _____ Phone (____) _____

Name of Junior or Subordinate/Community Grange _____

Do you hold an office now in your Junior Grange? Yes () No ()

If yes, what office? _____

Have you attended State Session before? Yes () No ()

Have you been a State Junior officer in the past? Yes () No ()

If yes, what office(s)? _____

Can you read? Yes () No ()

Can you memorize? Yes () No ()

Do you want a speaking part? Yes () No ()

My FIRST choice of office would be? _____

My SECOND choice of office would be? _____

Please write a short paragraph on why you want the State Junior office requested and attach it to this application.

Applicant's Signature _____

Junior Leader's Signature (if applicable) _____

Every effort will be made to see that your request is filled. The Oregon State Junior Committee will make all officer assignments and their decision is final. A Junior member may not hold the same office for two years in a row. Junior officers are expected to attend State Session. Junior officers who cannot attend State Session will be replaced prior to Monday morning of State Session by the Junior Committee. Officers are expected to have their parts memorized prior to arriving at State Session. For conferral of the Junior Degree on Wednesday, boys will wear black pants and a white shirt, and girls will wear a black knee-length skirt and a white shirt or blouse. NO FLIP-FLOPS!!!

Mail completed application to arrive by Monday **April 11** to:

Oregon State Grange
643 Union St NE
Salem, OR 97301

Junior Participation Form

Child's Name:	Date of Birth:
Parent/Guardian:	Phone: (Home)
Address:	(Cell)
Session Contact:	Session Phone:

Permission, Release and Hold Harmless/Indemnification

I/We, _____, am/are the

Parent(s)/guardian(s) of _____ (child). We hereby jointly and severally permit and request the Oregon State Grange to permit, our child to participate in all activities sponsored by the National, State, Pomona, Subordinates and Junior Grange.

I/We recognize the program requires the time, energy, and supervision of members and volunteers of the Grange in order to be a success. After having fully considered the possibilities of harm and injury, I/We as the parent(s)/guardian(s) of our child do accept the responsibility for any and all injury to our child as a result of his/her participation in the aforementioned activity which may occur during travel time, participation in activity and any other time involved in the activity.

I/We certify that our child is in good health, free from physical disability, which would make our child's participation in this activity inadvisable. I/We will advise the moderator of any information that I/we may acquire in the future which would render our child incapable for health or other reasons from full participation in this activity. By this permission form, I/We hereby expressly authorize the person in charge of the activity or their designee to permit emergency medical treatment if it becomes necessary and I/we accept personal responsibility for the results and costs of such treatment.

This permission, release, hold harmless and indemnification is given so the Grange will allow our child to become a participant in the aforementioned Junior activities.

I/We hereby release, hold harmless and will indemnify the Oregon State Grange, its officers, directors, volunteers and moderators from all responsibility for claims of personal injury to our child, which may occur as a result of participation in the Grange Junior activities program.

Sign _____ Date _____

**April 20th is the
submission deadline for
any material you need
published prior to the
state session!**

Pomona News

Columbia County Pomona #18

At the Columbia County Pomona meeting on February 5th an Outstanding Grange Community Support award was presented to Mel and Margaret Brady, for Beaver Homes Grange.

On January 12th Beaver Homes Granges organized a Fundraiser Benefit Dinner and Auction for the Chief Ralph Painter Family. Rainier's Chief of Police was shot in the line of duty when responding to a robbery call. Beaver Homes Grange stepped out into the community and organized this event in its entirety, within just a few days. They started with the idea of having the event in their Grange Hall, but soon realized it was much bigger than their hall could accommodate. The event was moved to the Rainier High School where they served 2300 people and raised over \$25,000.00 for the Painter family. They contacted local businesses to donate for a silent action. The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts helped serve the food, along with members of Beaver Homes Grange. The organization flowed so nicely, that there were no lines, and people did not have to wait to be served food.

This was an awesome outreach in the community. Thank you, Beaver Homes Grange, for such a wonderful service to the community of Rainier. This was above and beyond the call of service, and greatly appreciated.

LANE COUNTY FAIR-2011

The Lane County Fair will be August 17-21 in Eugene, Oregon at the Fair Grounds. **August 17 is Grange Day.** Grangers can get in at a reduce rate by presenting the coupon below at the ticket booth when purchasing tickets. This is good only on Wednesday, August 17th. Copies of the coupon will not be acceptable. Please cut the coupon out of the Grange Bulletin and save it for August 17.

**LANE COUNTY FAIR
GRANGE DAY, AUGUST 17, ONLY**

ADMIT
TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE
OR
HALF PRICE
VISIT GRANGE DISPLAYS
IN EXPO I




On Grange Day the Lane Pomona Grange and the Lane County Fair will sponsor a Veggie & Fruit Dress Up Contest. All contestants (age 10 years and younger) who have a Dress Up Veggie or Fruit will get in FREE up to 1:00 pm on **Grange Day**.

Contest Rules

- A. Contestants must be 10 years or younger. One Entry per person. Contestant will get in FREE on Wednesday until 1:00 pm if they bring in a dressed up fruit or vegetable.
- B. The Contestants will be divided into Three Categories according to age:
Category 1: 2, 3, and 4
Category 2: 5, 6, and 7
Category 3: 8, 9, and 10
- C. The Entries must be submitted between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm on Wednesday August 17.
- D. The Entries must be submitted at the Grange area inside of Expo 1 (the building West of the South Entrance to the Fair.)
- E. The judging will be conducted by three Pomona Grange members.
- F. The Judging will be based on such attributes as originality, imagination, presentation, and appearance.



Mel and Margaret Brady

News from Washington/Yamhill Pomona

Saturday February 19, 2011 the Washington/Yamhill Pomona sponsored a breakfast at Leedy Grange. Many of the Grange members in our Pomona rolled up their sleeves and went to work. We had McMinnville Grange, Tigard Grange, Scholls Grange, Winona Grange, Forest Grove and Leedy lending a hand in the kitchen. The Grange hall being nearly as old as the Patrons of Husbandry itself provided a few challenges.

Back when the Grange was new not all things required electricity. But with 4 roasting pans, a grill, stove and a few coffee pots perking

we found ourselves chasing after one tripped circuit after another until we paused long enough to read the circuit board. After the coffee pot had been moved a few times and the coffee getting colder on that winter morning we found a corner plug in that kept our coffee perking, the 4 roasting pans heating and the grill toasting without any further mishaps.

The highlight other than the food was the Old Time Fiddlers. Mary from Leedy Grange joined in with the Fiddlers and as a special treat, seven year old Maggie of Daisy Girl Scout Troup #40189 sang a song. Entertainment was enjoyed by all.

For those who like to hear the Old Time Fiddlers, Washington/Yamhill Pomona will be hosting an open house at Fernwood Grange April 30, 2011. The Old Time Fiddlers will be joining us 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm. We hope to see you there.



7 year old Maggie at the mic

Grange Exchange

Azalea Grange #786 Christmas Gathering

Hi! I am Azalea Grange #786 and I was the host of our Annual Christmas Gathering and I thought I would share with you my festive time.

Well here goes! I knew something good was happening when my friend Alice Putman came to my kitchen and filled my walls with good warm and yummy scents. Oh hhhhh, the smell of turkey and the trimmings. So fine. Then when Beverly & Warren Doescher came and decorated my hall and set me up for a lot of people, I got so excited. I just knew I was going to have a good time. Well I did.

It started Friday night, Dec. 3rd when people came, and I could smell the hot chocolate. They had fancy decorated cookies to eat, and then they decorated my Christmas tree with all kinds of pretty ornaments, stuffed animals, lights, and garland. They dressed up my tree so pretty I knew this would be a special time. They had so much fun working together and talking. Their laughter was so nice to hear.

When my guests came, they were greeted with a wreath at my door. When they walked across my threshold, there were snowmen at the door, my decorated tree, tables and homey kitchen smells. Some people brought their children, and I knew my tree would be admired by those little ones. 54 adults were there and 15 children including 3 tiny babies. What a joy to hear the children's voices and those babies whimpering sounds (sometimes a full blown cry which wasn't too loud). I loved it when those sounds were bouncing off my 79 year old walls. What a joy! There were some guests from other Granges and I over heard one Granger say "This building sure looks good and is kept up." I had to be careful not to have anyone hear my creaks of pride.

The music and singing was delightful after everyone ate. I enjoyed the children's voices filling my hall, and I thought they were quite courageous to get up and sing those beautiful songs. We had a couple as well as a group of three missionaries sing some musical selections, and all sang Christmas carols with guitar & keyboard accompaniment. A poem was read by a Melrose Granger, and tradition was also honored with "The Night Before Christmas" read by Master (#1 elf) Beverly Doescher.

Now Santa Claus came at the end of the evening and all the kids sat on his knee and shared their dreams and desires for Christmas this year. Santa had a gift bag for each of them and a stuffed animal. They all enjoyed that.

Well the evening came to a close and all the happy voices left with a happy and festive heart, and I bet they will come back next year. I know I will be waiting for them.

Words of the Azalea Grange Hall
Judy Butler Secretary

Beavercreek Grange #276

On February 12, 2011 at the regular meeting of Beavercreek Grange #276, it was voted on and passed to change the day and time of our monthly meeting. The new meeting time is now "THE FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH AT 1:00 PM". Finger food snacks after the meeting. The only changes to this will be in July when we have our Grange picnic on the 3rd saturday and in September on the 2nd saturday.

Thank you,

Ed Schettig
Beavercreek Grange Overseer

Crow Grange #450

Crow Grange #450 celebrated it's 100th anniversary on Saturday February 19th from 1p.m. to 3p.m. We were pleased to have many friends from the Crow community and neighboring granges join us along with Brother Ed and Sister Celia Luttrell - Master and First Lady of the National Grange; Sister Phyllis Wilson - Chaplain of the National

Grange and Secretary of the Oregon State Grange; Brother Larry Rea - Master of the Oregon State Grange; Sister Susan Noah - Lecturer of the Oregon State Grange and Master of Lane Pomona Grange; Dan Whelan - assistant to US Senator Jeff Merkley; and Juine Chada - assistant to US Senator Ron Wyden. All of our dignitaries spoke to our Grange's recent renovation to our hall and wished us congratulations on 100 years of service to the Grange and to the community of Crow. Then our Master, Joe Canaday, with the help of Sister Susan Noah and Brother Larry Rea, handed out 25 and 50 year certificates to the following people: 25 year certificates were given to Rod Burch, Lovina Ford, Brenda Gubrud, Steve Kroeker, Monte and Tiny Ramp, Pat Stires, Connie Suing, and Ruth Teafatiller and 50 year certificates were given to Charles and Betty Blazer, Joe Canaday, and Barbara Liles. Then we had cake and coffee and punch and everyone had a while to visit and reminisce with community service books and photos from Lane county fair booths from the 1950's to present time. I heard a lot of "Oh, I remember when we made that booth" to "Did you know that my parents helped put in the hardwood floor of the Grange?" to "Remember all the High School dances we had here?". It was fun just listening to all the memories that people were talking about and hoping that we have many more years to come of fun activities at Crow Grange.

Connie Suing
Crow Grange #450



Lane Pomona Master Susan Noah, Crow Grange Master Joe Canaday, National Grange Master Ed Luttrell, and Oregon State Master Larry Rea at the Crow Grange centennial celebration!

Illinois Valley Grange # 370

The Illinois Valley Grange will be having an Open House April 15th, 2011, starting at 6:30 p.m. We will be presenting our member Simon Hare with "Citizen of the Year" plus recognizing all of our wonderful volunteers for the many hours of work they have put in at or for the Grange during 2010. We will also be honoring Louis and Nora Trujillo for 25 years continuous Membership with Silver Star certificates and pins. We will be serving a traditional Italian-style Lasagna Dinner, with all the trimmings, as a fundraiser for a local charity also.

Ken Phillips, Secretary
Illinois Valley Grange # 370

Midland Grange #781 Veterans Day Honorees

On Veterans Day, November 11th, Grace and Louie Stork were honored as two of the oldest living World War II Veterans in Klamath County and attending the ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park in Klamath Falls Oregon. Louie, now 96, served in the Army and Grace, now 90, served in the Navy. Grace and Louie were married while serving in the military.

The Storks are 50 plus year members of Midland Grange #781. Grace served as the Oregon State Chaplain, State Deputy and many for years on the State Junior Committee. Louie served as a delegate to the Oregon State Grange.

The Storks were awarded a medal and a blanket with the insignia of the branch of service they served in. This is what was read at the ceremony and conveys our feelings to all veterans. "This medal is presented with dignity and respect to a member of America's Armed Forces who answered the Nation's call to Duty to military service in World War II. Leaving the safety and security of home, family and friends you stood in harms way prepared to risk life and limb to secure world order, preserve and extend those basic freedoms of life to unknown people of the world. Your service as a Veteran of the Greatest Generation must never be forgotten. The heroic virtues you displayed under extraordinary circumstances valor, sacrifice fidelity must be known and burn in the hearts of every succeeding generation. Your courage and that of your countless comrades in arms has taught us the heroic price of freedom."

Santiam Valley Grange #828

Here we are in January already. To wrap up 2010, in November we held a Flea-Market with a lot of tables, a lot of tables and a lot of comins' and goins'. In the kitchen we had our special hamburgers with grilled-onions, potato salad, deviled-eggs and all kinds of desserts. This was a fundraiser where all the money went towards our building fund. Then in December we had a visit from Santa-Claus, he had kids running clear across the hall into his arms. There was a lot of ho-ho-hoing going on. We also had some craft tables where the kids and their families could make Country Christmas balls or Christmas wreaths and Candy-Cane Count-downs(advent calendar). The little hands and the big ones were very busy creating. A good-time was had by all...

Now we are on to 2011, with a roster full of events and of course there are the events that will come up, we are hoping for a very active year.

As Secretary of the Santiam Valley Grange I am sending good cheers from all our Brothers and Sisters to all Brothers and Sisters out there in other Granges for a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Two Grange women have taken on a huge Community-Service. It is called the A.S.A.P.(After-School-Activity-Program). Taking place the second and fourth Tuesday of the month, while school is going on. It lasts for one-hour, so that means we have to get a lot done in a short time, and we do. We are prepared when we go in to do crafts, relays and interactive games. We have enrolled forty students. There was a long process getting this program started not only for us but for the students to. Our goal is to help the students learn how to interact with each other. We try to go with the seasons. We would like to get the students away from all the electronic gadgets and just talk...

The program has been a big success, especially with donations from our fellow Grangers with material supplies and financial. We hope do do this next year..we well see.

The two Grange women are Linda Grace and myself Dottie Maas.

Thats it for now.....
Sincerely, Dottie Maas
Secretary, Santiam Valley Grange #828



Warren Grange is on the move again!

Warren Grange has moved from their location on Millard Rd, St. Helens, to the 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds. Warren Grange was first established in 1915 but went dormant for a few years and then reorganized in 1926. During the early years of the Grange, they met at several halls around the community, like the old Lund Hall, and then the Vasa Hall, then the Ricen Building and then back to the Lund Hall. The Warren Grange members purchased an acre of land, around 1940, on Church Road and started building a basement. Work was disrupted though, during World War I. About that same time the Grange started renting the McNulty School on Millard Road. They shared the building with the school until, McNulty School merged with St. Helens Schools. The building then went up for sale and was bought by the Warren Grange in 1960. In 1964 the Grange sold the acre of land on Church Road and paid off the mortgage.

Cost of doing business

Over the years the Grange has continued to make improvements to maintain the building but many of the members are elderly and unable to do the labor. The building is not wheelchair accessible which makes it difficult for several members to attend meetings. In 2009 the Grange voted to sell the building and find a location more suitable for members. This past November (2010) the building was sold, and we moved to a new location.

Where did they go?

Many have wondered what happened to Warren Grange. No, they did not go away! They are now renting the 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds. Will they stay there forever? Who knows? If they found a small piece of land,

yes they would possibly build a suitable building for their needs but right now, this is working very well for their members.

Grange Activities

The Warren Grange's biggest fundraising project is the Fried Bread Booth at the Columbia County Fair which was started in 1968. The bread was made from scratch, in a small trailer outside the fence during fair. Today they use frozen bread and fry the bread made to order. In 2008 they added Fried Twinkies to their menu. Many of their members are involved in making the Fried Bread Booth a success. This success has been proven with the repeat customers year after year. The Grange has many other projects that they support and are involved in throughout the community; the 4-H clubs, the Rodeo Court, the Fairgrounds, Words 4 Thirds Dictionary project for Warren Grade School, Women's Dairy Princess, Community Scholarship Foundation, Mega Easter Egg Hunt, St. Helens Senior Center, Riverside Training Center, Foster Kids, CASA, Special Olympics, Community Meals, Meals on Wheels, Soldiers Angels, the Grange Museum, and Grange Day at the Fair.

Breakfast is Ready!

On March 12th Warren Grange served a Pancake Breakfast, open to the public, for the first time at their new location in the 4-H Building at the Columbia County Fair Complex. Along with the Breakfast we held our 6th Annual Peoples' Choice Photo contest. Visit our website listed below, for photo contest guidelines.

Mark your calendar for future Breakfasts on April 30 and the June 4th.

Find us on the Web

The Pomona Grange has set up a new website that links to all the Granges in Columbia County. This is a great way to socialize and find out about breakfasts and/or dinners, card games and other events that are taking place within our county. Link to Warren Grange or one of the other eight Granges in Columbia County: www.cocopomona.com



Warren Grange
new location in the 4-H Building at the Columbia County Fair Complex.

State Session Host Grange Histories

Crow Grange #450

Crow Grange #450 was chartered in February of 1911 in Crow, Oregon. We have met in 2 different halls. The first was the old IOOF hall, the present hall was built in the 1950's and has recently been renovated with a new roof, new siding, and new windows. Our address is 85994 Territorial Rd. Eugene, Oregon, next door to Applegate elementary in Crow.

We currently have 55 members. Our meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month with a themed potluck at 6:30 and a meeting at 7:30.

We provide a scholarship to a local high school senior; we play Bingo at our hall on the 1st and 3rd Saturday from September thru June, we have dances and old time musical jams at our hall each month, we have a Chicken and Pickin BBQ the 1st Saturday in August and a huge community Thanksgiving dinner the 3rd Thursday in November.

We provide a meeting place for 4-H, Girl Scouts, school time bible study, Senior meals, and TOPS. Our current Master is Joe Canaday, he can be reached at 541-344-3966



Crow Grange #450

Fairmount #252

Fairmount 252, Date Chartered 1892

Address
835 NW North Albany Road

Meeting night and time
1st Saturday of every month 10:30 Potluck follows

Present Master Michael Dickason
Membership numbers 26
Community Service project(s) quilts for the needy
we are in the process of starting stitches of love for foster kids.

—
Lyle Utt
Uttl@comcast.net
541-361-8515



Fairmount #252

Fairfield Grange #720

Chartered 1929

Located at 13651 River Rd N Gervais, OR. 97026

Meeting on 3rd Saturday 7PM 6PM Potluck.

Community Service Projects, Quilts and pajamas and clothing donations to Helping Hands. Food bank donations. Premie Caps to Silverton Hospital.

Master Nadine Telschow



Fairfield Grange #720

Keizer #785

Chartered April 15, 1931. Was originally Chemawa Grange then moved to Keizer at the corner of Chemawa and River Rd. The school needed to expand and paid to move the Grange to the present location at 441 Chemawa Rd. In 2002 the hall had a break-in and among the stolen items was the charter. We thought it was for the frame. Our meeting is the 1st Wed of the month at 8:00 P.M. with 6:30 pot-luck. Our major project is packing back packs for kids taken from drug or abusive homes. Thirty packs last year. Sweetheart Banquet in Feb. Fun nights each month during the winter months. Wayne Johnston, Master.



Keizer #785

Woodburn Grange #79

Chartered Feb 1874, Has heavy schedule hall in use almost every day. Churches, Ty won doo. Just finished repaving of parking lot and sidewalk, upgrading of the inside and plans to replace siding on south side of bldg. Meets 1st Thursday of month at 7:30 P.M. 6:00 pot luck. Give scholarship for students taking ag related studies, large donation to several community groups at Christmas. Pete Petroski, Master. Corner of Settlemier and Hwy 219



Woodburn Grange #79

Macleay Grange #293

Macleay Grange #293 was chartered June 2, 1900. Meets 1st of the month at 7:30 P.M. with 6:30 pot-luck. Hosts monthly meeting of Salem amateur radio club and other community based meetings as requested i.e.: Rural Organization Project and workshops for Sustainability and being green. Macleay Rd off Cordon east of Salem. Moses Mendzer, Master.

Scotts Mills #938

Chartered April 6, 1954, Meets 2nd Friday of the Month. 7:30 meeting 6:30 pot-luck. Is very involved in community holding a ham dinner in March, Summer Festival in August, Harvest Fair in September and Christmas bazaar in November. Located, 299 4th St Scotts Mills, Oregon. We are finishing working with the city and have built a covered bridge for the park and are working on a gazebo and landscaping. Bill Schiedler, Master



Scotts Mills #938

Union Hill #728

The school house was originally located across the fields and was dragged by big Cats and attached to hall for the Junior Grange. Holds a plant sale each spring and a Chowder feed in February. Hall is used for community weddings and funeral dinners, family reunions. Mary Ann Scott, Master. From Aumsville take Silver Falls Hwy turn left on Victor Point Rd and right on Grange Hall Rd. Meets 3rd Friday at 7:30 with 6:30 pot-luck.



Union Hill #728



LACOMB GRANGE #907

Marys River Grange #685

In Philomath, Benton County, was chartered in 1927 and built our hall at 24707 Grange Hall Road in 1933. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month with a potluck and lecture at 6:30 PM and meeting at 7:00 PM. Our Master Hank Keogh has led our 40 active members in putting on a Local Foods Spring Breakfast, public interest lectures, local soldier family welfare efforts, and an Adopt-a-Road clean-up.



Marys River Grange #685

Spencer Creek Grange #855

Spencer Creek Grange No. 855 was chartered on June 11, 1936. It is located at the intersection of Lorane Highway and McBeth Road, southwest of Eugene, Oregon. The regular meeting night is the third Tuesday of the month except for December. We have over 60 members and the present Master is Malcolm Trupp.

We participate in the Adopt-A-Road Program, contributed to Kid Sports, Soroptimist Walk For Life, Dogs for the Deaf, and other Community Service ventures.

Spencer Creek Grange is noted for its annual Chicken BBQ, The Very Berry Pancake Breakfast, Haunted House, Fourth Friday Family Film Fest, Barn Dances, the Spencer Creek Growers Market, Holiday Bazaar, and Lane County Fair Exhibits.



Spencer Creek Grange #855

LACOMB GRANGE #907

DISTRICT #2 LINN COUNTY

Lacombe Grange #907 was organized January 23, 1945. and currently have 62 members.

We serve our community in a variety of ways. Some of those include assisting community families during times of loss by way of dinners for the families and use of the hall. The Lacombe Cemetery is also one of our service projects, assisting them with their annual workday in May. Supporting youth development is a priority and an important part of our mission. Our hall is currently made available to our local 4-H Livestock Club at no cost and we also offer support in other ways to the area FFA program along with other non-profit organizations.

We hold an annual dinner each February featuring our specialty, Swiss Steak. This activity is held in part to maintain our building needs. Another source of income to support our service projects is hall rental.

We are located at 34100 East Lacombe Road, Lebanon, Oregon 97355 which is 11 miles east of Lebanon. Our meetings are held monthly on the second Friday, potluck at 6:30pm and our meeting begin at 7:30pm. Our door is open, we would welcome anyone interested in becoming a member, as well as other granger visits.

**Places to stay in Corvallis
From the "Visit Corvallis" Website**

Best Western Grand Manor Inn & Suites
925 NW Garfield
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 758-8571 or (877) 55-MANOR
55 guest rooms
Rates \$72 - \$200

Rodeway Inn
345 NW 2nd St.
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 752-9601 or (800) 553-2666
61 guest rooms
Rates \$45 - \$60

Corvallis Budget Inn
1480 SW 3rd St.
Corvallis, OR 97333
(541) 752-8756
24 guest rooms
Rates \$45 - \$120

Salbasgeon Suites & Conference
1730 NW 9th St.
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 753-4320 or (800) 965-8808
95 guest rooms
Rates \$97 - \$210

Days Inn
1113 NW 9th St.
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 754-7474 or (800) 432-1233
76 guest rooms
Rates \$60 - \$120

Super 8 on the River
407 NW 2nd St.
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 758-8088 or (800) 800-8000
101 guest rooms
Rates \$55 - \$95

Hilton Garden Inn
2500 Southwest Western Blvd.
Corvallis, OR 97333
(541) 752-5000
153 guest rooms
Rates \$109 - \$249

Towne House Motor Inn
350 SW 4th Street
Corvallis, OR 97333
(541) 753-4496 or (800) 898-4496
65 guest rooms
Rates \$45 \$95

Holiday Inn Express on the River
781 NE 2nd St.
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 752-0800 or 1-800-HOLIDAY
93 guest rooms
Rates \$81 - \$269

Motel 6
935 NW Garfield
Corvallis, OR 97330
(541) 758-9125 or (800) 466-4MOTEL6
61 guest rooms
Rates \$55 - \$150

RV Information

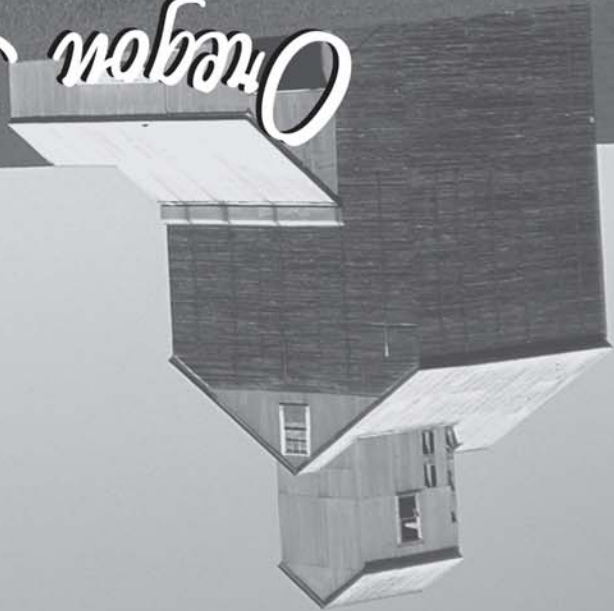
Benton Oaks RV (at the Fairgrounds)
Full hookup, including electricity, water, sewer and cable \$30/night
Electricity & Water night
Tent Sites\$21/night
For full hook-ups contact the Benton County Fairgrounds at (541) 766-6521
For the other listed sites contact
Tom McGuire (Western Star Grange) at (541) 752-9155



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State FFA Convention

The Oregon State Grange participated in the 83rd annual State FFA Convention March 18-21, 2011 at Crater High School in Central Point, Oregon. The State Grange booth in the Career Show attracted FFA members from throughout the State as they attempted to master the Grange Duck pond in an effort to win one of the stuffed animals. Agriculture Director, John Fine and Junior Director, Peggy Fine coordinated the booth this year and assisted with manning the booth during the three day convention. They received valuable assistance from Jackson County Granges who volunteered to take shifts during the Career Show schedule. The Oregon State Grange extends our appreciation to Wayne Cabler, Linda Helm, Quiana Helm, Alex Coe and Quinton Coe for their support. We conducted a drawing on Saturday and Sunday for baskets of Oregon products made by Paula Herrick. They were beautiful and many students signed up for a chance to win.

The highlight of the Grange involvement in the convention is the presentation of the awards for the Prepared Public Speaking contest. The Oregon State Grange has sponsored this FFA contest (now called a Career Development Event) since the early 1930's making the Grange the longest continuous sponsor of a FFA event in Oregon. John Fine presented the four banners to the winners on Saturday evening. The students selected are: 1 - Michael Wallace from the Hermiston Chapter; 2 - Colleen Omeara from the Sutherlin Chapter; 3 - Brooklyn Nelson from the Canby Chapter; 4 - Karissa Wilborn from the Imbler Chapter. As the winner of the contest Michael will compete at the National FFA Convention and has been invited to present his speech at the 2011 State Grange Convention.

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