



# WASHINGTON STATE Grange News

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*130th Annual Convention  
of the Washington State Grange*

## State Grange Elects Officers

In accordance with the by-laws, the Washington State Grange held their biannual election of officers at their 130th Annual Convention, held June 26-29 at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds.

Tom Gwin was reelected to a third term as the Master of the Washington State Grange. Gwin, a member of Humptulips Grange in Grays Harbor County, was selected to continue leading

the state organization for the next two years.

Also reelected to a two-year term was Overseer Karen Jackson, a member of Edgewood Grange in Pierce County. Jackson begins her fourth term as the State Overseer.

Leslie Wells, the Master of Tualco Grange in Snohomish County, was reelected to a second term as the State Lecturer, while David Knott of East Hill Grange

in King County was reelected to a second term as the State Grange Steward. Michael Beckman of Green Bluff Grange in Spokane County was reelected to a fourth term as the Assistant Steward. Pam Mathews of South Union Grange in Thurston County was reelected to a second term as the Chaplain, while Nicholas Oliver of Collins Grange in Pierce County was reelected to a second term as Gatekeeper.

Following the completion of a partial term, Terry Abbott of Mossyrock Grange in Lewis County was elected to a first full term as the State Secretary, while Pam Figg of Steele Lake Highline Grange in King County was elected to her first full term as Treasurer.

Past State Master Duane Hamp of Five Mile Prairie Grange in Spokane County was reelected to a second three-year term

on the State Grange Executive Committee.

Former State Ceres Brittney Oliver was elevated to the office of Lady Assistant Stewart. Oliver is a member of Moses Lake Grange in Grant County. Oliver will succeed Janice Anderson in the position.

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Submissions can be sent to [grangenews@wa-grange.org](mailto:grangenews@wa-grange.org)

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**The 130th Annual Washington State Grange Convention was held at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds on June 26-29, 2019. Convention recaps and memories can be found throughout this issue.**



Mark Your Calendars

Upcoming State Grange Events

**AUGUST 4-9** ..... Cornet Bay Junior Grange Camp

**AUGUST 9-11** ..... Western Regional Grange Leaders and Youth Conference in Montana

**AUGUST 30-SEPTEMBER 22**... Washington State Fair, Puyallup

**NOVEMBER 5-9**.... 153rd Annual National Grange Convention in Bloomington, Minnesota

San Juan Island Grange Hosts Discussion On Heating With Wood



San Juan Island Grange hosted a discussion on heating with wood. The discussion included information on wood with the highest btu count, different types of stoves, and safety.

Grange Thank You From Past State Flora Annie Scott

Greetings Fellow Grangers,

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone who helped me over the last 2 years as the past state Flora. I learned so much and met some great people along the way. It was truly an honor to serve. Thank you again.

Fraternally,  
Annie Scott  
Past State Flora, 2018-19

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Eye On Membership

2019 Membership Department Awards from the WA State Grange Convention

**Grange Month Display Contest**

**First Place** – Mossyrock #355

**Second Place** – North River #946

**Third Place** – Five Mile Prairie #905

**Fourth Place** – Oakview #311

2. Swauk Teanaway #984

3. Dry Creek #646

4. Glenwood 94

**VISA Card drawings for new Junior Members**

\$25.00 - 5 Winners

1. Camp Wooten JG #400

2. Camp Wooten JG #400

3. Camp Wooten JG #400

4. Camp Morehead JG #401

5. Camp NEWA JG #402

**Membership Outreach Activities Reports**

**First Place** – Five Mile Prairie #905

**Second Place** – Greenwood Park #590

**Third Place** – Addy #603

**Fourth Place** – Molson #1069

**Visa Card drawings for new Subordinate members:**

\$250.00 - 4 Winners

1. San Juan Island #966

**MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

The Washington State Grange Membership Department is looking for individuals and couples willing to work on membership development across the state. Volunteers from across the state are desired to assist struggling Granges with leadership and membership development. In addition, the State Grange desires to participate in trade shows, conferences, and other promotional activities on a year round basis. Interested persons should contact Sophia at the State Grange Office, 360-943-99141 or email skeller@wa-grange.org

South Union Grange Membership Awards



(Left) South Union Grange members Bob and Marci Rogers received their 40-year membership seals at the June 1 dance at the Grange.

(Above) Ray Parker (with wife Alice) received his Silver Star certificate from South Union Grange Master Patty Mathews.

Quilts Of Valor Presented

Following the National Grange Convention in November, State Grange Family Living Director Eileen Moebius worked to bring the Quilts of Valor Program to our State Grange. Sister Moebius introduced the topic at the Grange Leadership Conferences and started obtaining quilts and the names of potential recipients. The results of Sister Eileen's efforts resulted in seven Quilts of Valor being presented at this year's State Grange Convention. Diane Watters, Quilts of Valor Foundation Coordinator for Eastern Washington made the presentation of quilts to:



- Matthew McRae Harbin – Air Force
- Paul Gray – Army
- Jack Hendrickson – Army
- Tim Rieb – Navy
- Mick Chwartz – Army
- Larry Tanneberg – Marines
- Chuck Berg – Marines

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President's Message

Looking ahead:  
Thank you Okanogan;  
Hello Walla Walla

By Tom Gwin  
State Grange  
Master/President

The 130th Annual Convention of the Washington State Grange is now history! We experienced another outstanding convention, filled with both work and excitement. We debated 54 new resolutions, a few older resolutions, and 10 committee reports. Officers were elected and installed. Contests were held and awards presented. There certainly was something for everyone to enjoy at this year's convention.

There are many, many Grange members who contributed to the success of this year's convention:

- The Convention Steering Committee, chaired by John Hamilton with Brittney Oliver as the vice chair, and all of the other host committees....you did a good job of meeting the needs of the delegates. With a small membership in the host district, I know you had a difficult time recruiting volunteers to complete all the tasks. Each time you host the convention, it will get easier!
- To those who completed

each of the details necessary for our success, including Progress Room Workers, deputies, officers, directors, and others, thank you for your part to make this a memorable convention.

- To the National Grange Representative, Stephen Coye, thank you for your words of wisdom and guidance to the delegates. We know you had a long flight home and hope you will remember your time spent

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-- Tom Gwin

with us.

- To the delegates and committee chairs, congratulations on discussing each aspect of every resolution and recommendation. The in-depth discussion on each subject was astounding! All committees completed their work by the end of the first day.
- To the office staff, each of whom brings their own special talent and skill level to their job, your long hours and



Tom Gwin

dedication to your jobs is truly remarkable.

- To the youth and juniors, who bring a lively can-do attitude that reminds many of us of our not too distant past.

Now that convention is over, we quickly turned our focus to the Grange Camping Program. One more week and that will be over as well. Fair season is here and for many of you, it will involve countless hours of designing and constructing your fair display. For others, it may mean spending your time cooking hamburgers in the food concession or waiting on customers. Regardless, enjoy your time, promote your Grange, and complete your tasks to the best of your ability. We have set sail and our bright future is just ahead of us!

You may want to make plans now to attend the 131st Annual State Grange Convention. For the first time in over 60 years, we will be meeting in the City of Walla Walla. The convention will at the Walla Walla County Fairgrounds and is scheduled for June 24-27, 2020!

Legislative

Looking To The  
Future...



Heather Hansen

By Heather Hansen  
Legislative Lobbyist

State Convention and the preparation leading up to it are always an interesting learning experience. Resolutions come in on a wide variety of topics. Then debate during committee meetings and by the voting delegates bring up more interesting questions.

One such question this year was about roundabouts and how one learns to navigate through them. The Washington State Department of Transportation has an entire webpage titled, "How to drive a roundabout." It includes a five-part video and a brochure you can print titled, "Rules of the Roundabout."

How the state spends your money

The Washington State Salmon Recovery Funding Board and the Puget Sound Partnership recently awarded 64 different grants, totaling \$45 million, to counties in the Puget Sound area. The grants are to improve Chinook salmon habitat and conserve shorelines and riverbanks in Clallam, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Mason, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Thurston, and Whatcom Counties. If you are curious to see who got how much, and what they plan to spend it on, go to the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office web page, then click on grants or news.

Looking to the Future - Housing

In "The Lens", an online newspaper, TJ Martinell writes, "Washington is experiencing a statewide housing shortage problem that is unlikely to change anytime soon, according to Washington Center for Real Estate Research (WCRER) Director James Young. Unless changes are made to accommodate future population growth and the "perfect storm" of retirees outbidding first-time home buyers, 70 percent of city residents will be renters, and almost a third of home sellers will leave the state to buy a more affordable property elsewhere in the country." That is good news if you have a house or property to sell. It's bad news if you or a family member is looking for a place to live.

Looking to the Future -

Agriculture

In 2015, the Washington State legislature asked the William D. Ruckelshaus Center to take a comprehensive look at the Growth Management Act (GMA). The project was expanded to include the Shoreline Management Act, the State Environmental Policy Act and other laws and policies.

The report is now complete. I'll touch on other aspects in future months, for now, let's look at the section titled, Economic Viability of Agriculture and Other Natural Resource Based Industries.

A common theme was the need for greater flexibility in the regulatory system. Many participants talked about the importance of keeping land in agriculture for future generations. Other participants talked about the impact of increasing barriers to maintaining economically-viable agriculture, such as compounding regulations, real estate markets, and rapidly increasing land costs. Participants also frequently shared concerns about restrictions on various value-added actions that would help ensure economically-viable agriculture for small and mid-size operations. Participants wanted greater flexibility for activities such as a fruit stand to sell jam, a mechanic shop to work on farm equipment, and agricultural tourism.

Participants spoke frequently about needing to better maintain and enhance natural resource industries, such as timber, fisheries, and agriculture. Participants regularly talked about how the compounding of, and lack of flexibility in, regulations has become burdensome.

Many participants wanted to see an easing of regulations and less-difficult permitting processes. Some suggested consolidating permits to allow for greater efficiency. The final report recommends completing an assessment that looks at the cumulative impacts of laws and regulations on the ability of agriculture and other natural resource-based industries to remain economically viable.

Ultimately, recommendation from this report will find their way to the legislature. The 2020 legislative session could bring much discussion about how regulation affects agriculture.

Community Service:  
Convention Award Winners

Community Service Contest

Class 1 – Subordinates, 35 members or less

- First Place – North River #946
- Second Place – Greenwood Park #590
- Third Place – Rose Valley #953
- Fourth Place – Clayton #456

Class 2 – Subordinates, 36-60 members

- First Place – Mossyrock #355
- Second Place – South Lake Stevens #690
- Third Place – Oakview #311
- Fourth Place – Sunnyside #129

Class 3 – Subordinates, 61 or more members

- First Place – Newaukum #198
- Second Place – Goldendale #49
- Third Place – Waller Road #1111
- Fourth Place – Humptulips #730

Class 4 – Pomona Grange

- First Place – Cowlitz County Pomona Grange #7
- Second Place – Grays Harbor/ Pacific Pomona Grange #28
- Third Place – Snake River Pomona Grange #51
- Fourth Place – King County Pomona Grange #13

Overall Awards

- Best of Show – North River #946
- 2nd Best of Show – Mossyrock #355
- Third Place – Newaukum #198
- Fourth Place – Goldendale #49

Community Recognition Program

Law Enforcement Officer of the Year: Officer of the WA Department of Fish & Wildlife, nominated by Fruitland Grange



Law Enforcement Officer of the Year nominated by Fruitland Grange

Firefighter of the Year: Captain Larissa Rohr of the Hoquiam Fire Department, nominated by Humptulips #730

Volunteer of the Year: Mary Ann Enyeart, nominated by Goldendale #49

Volunteer Group of the Year: The Freezing Nights Program, nominated by Fruitland #999



# State Grange Extends Thank You To Convention Speaker Rep. Tom Dent

The Washington State Grange would like to extend our thanks to Rep. Tom Dent for speaking at the 130th Annual Convention held June26-29, in Okanogan.

Tom Dent has been a Columbia Basin resident for nearly 60 years. He became a professional pilot in 1976, and soon after founded Tom Dent Aviation, which offered aerial application, pilot service and flight instruction for area agriculture. Tom also owns the Flying T Ranch, where he lives 7 miles NE of Moses Lake, raising bison, producing and selling hay.

Sworn into office in 2015, Tom represents the 13th District, which includes Lincoln and Kittitas counties, as well as parts of Grant and Yakima counties. He currently serves as the ranking member on the Early Learning and Human Services Committee, Assistant Ranking member on the Ag and Natural Resources Committee and is on the House

Transportation Committee. Tom also serves on several special legislative committees and caucuses.

His legislative priorities include preventing wildfires through improving the health of our forest and rangeland and initial attack on fire suppression, Agriculture issues including promoting increased trade, protecting pesticide use and water resource management, and as a career aviation professional the protection and expansion of our aviation infrastructure and increased pilot and maintenance technician training. Tom cares deeply about providing a safe and positive environment for young people that allows them



to grow up and have the same opportunities available to prior generations to become successful. Finally, Tom is a passionate advocate for mental health reforms that improve the lives of the mentally ill and assist families in helping their loved ones.

# Samish Valley Grange Works On Community Garden For Food Bank

Samish Valley Grange members have been busy preparing for the State Convention and planting gardens. One of our members suggested renting garden space in our town’s community garden and growing vegetables to donate to our local food bank. The idea was heartily accepted, and the veggies are growing well with the help of many members’ hands.



# 153rd National Grange Convention in Minneapolis: Registration Open

We are excited to be hosting the 153rd National Grange Convention this November in Bloomington, Minnesota.

We hope you are making plans to join us. Register today! Early Bird Registration closes

September 1!

Begin planning now because there is so much to do and see in Bloomington, you’ll want to arrive early or stay a day or two after convention.

The Mall of America is a must see attraction in Bloomington. Four Levels of stores at the Mall of America carry everything from top designer lines to niche items, and peppered throughout are things to do and adventures to be had. Check out the wonders of the ocean at SEA LIFE Minnesota Aquarium, paper your American Girl doll with a beauty makeover or double over laughing at Rick Bronson’s House of Comedy. To get the big picture, soar high above the country at

Fly Over America or try your hand flying with A.C.E.S. Flight Simulation. Even little things can have big effects- see how master creators make the minute macro at the LEGO Store. No matter the weather outside, Mall of America will get you moving at Dutchman’s Deck Adventure Course, Amazing Mirror Maze and Moose Mountain Adventure Gold. While the day is filled with endless possibilities, don’t forget to say hello to the characters roaming the seven-acre Nickelodeon Universe theme park before you leave. Perhaps you can show them your personalized crayon from Crayola Experience and tell them how your drawing came to life. For unbelievable savings on many of the area’s marquee attractions, plan ahead and buy THE Big Ticket at [www.bloomingtonmn.org/BigTicket](http://www.bloomingtonmn.org/BigTicket)

## Welcome New Members

### GRANGES WITH MEMBERSHIP GAINS

June/July 2019

	# Joined	Jr. +1
Barberton #571 .....	2	
Cindy McCullough, Lynne Murphy-Miller		
Baw Faw #34.....	1	
Morgan Goodrich		
Bryant #791 .....	3	
Dylan Pezoldt, Pammy Hammond, Terry Hammond		
Camas Valley #842 .....	2	
Mary Potier, Leanetria Levin-Fields		
Chimacum #681 .....	4	
Laurie Wise, Lys Burden, Eric Peterson, Scott Freeman		
Chumstick #819.....	1	
Matt Cade		
Clayton #456 .....	1	
Scott Dekay		
Crescent #1123.....	2	3
Marvin Judd, Melissa Corey		
East Spokane #148 .....	1	
Kenneth Dahlke		
Fargher Lake #853.....	6	
Emma Niemann-Fernau, Stacy Righter, Norm Merrill		
Lori Winn, Sherry Huffman, Sandra Talbot		
Fruitland #999 .....	3	
Suzanne Foster, Mary Harsh, Kim Mowery-Reams .		
Fruitvale #948 .....	1	
Micah Stalder		
Goldendale #49 .....	5	
Michelle Bolton, Gary Burgess, Lila Burgess		
Shirley Pence, Aimee Waddell		
Grays River #124.....	1	
Al Salazar		
Humptulips #730.....	1	
Lane Smith		
Inland #780.....	1	
Joe Scholfield		
Kellogg Marsh #136 .....	2	
Debra Patterson, Janet Anderson		
Lopez Island #1060.....	1	
Terry Wean		
Happy Valley #322 .....	1	
Jeanette Johnson		
Marion #276.....	4	
Robert Bales, Robin Macnofsky, Brian McCluskey .		
Sue McCluskey		
Minnehaha #164 .....	2	
Charles Hord, Van Meter Hord		
Molson #1069.....	1	
Ralph Rise		
Oakview #311.....	5	
Danielle Craig, Bailey Warren, Henry Steiger		
Mary Lynn King, Shetelah Pickens		
Oroville #985 .....	1	
Heather Marthaller		
Quimper #720 .....	4	
Michael Everitt, Doug Groenig, Barbara Tusting		
John McCormack		
Salmon Creek #849.....	3	
Nichole Turner, Marcia Bachle, Kelsey O'Sullivan		
Samish Valley #926.....	2	
Elizabeth Berry, Kris Dodge		
San Juan #966.....	3	
Paul Walsh, Zachary Chan, Ruth Fleming		
Sequim Prairie #1108.....	1	
Harry Stayner		
Skokomish #379 .....	2	
Mike Anderson, Larry Hillstrom		
South Camano #930.....	1	
Susan Kanacick		
Swauk-Teaway #984 .....	2	
Christine Johnson, Anna Chesnut		
Terrace Heights #586 .....	2	
Rhonda Calahan, Cheryl Dutour		
The Valley #1048.....	5	
Carol Long, Gyle Oman, Micheal Isaacs,		
Dave Manning, Megan Manning		
Violet Prairie #996 .....	2	
Eric Olsen, Ramona Olsen		
Waller Road #1111 .....	1	
George Bolles		
Washington #82.....	1	
William Castleberry		
Williams Valley #252.....	1	
Robert Ogle		
	# Joined	Jr. +1
TOTALS .....	81	3



# 153RD ANNUAL NATIONAL GRANGE CONVENTION



EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION THROUGH OCT. 12

NOV. 5-9, 2019

MINNEAPOLIS, MN

DoubleTree by Hilton  
Bloomington Minneapolis South  
7800 Normandale Blvd.  
Minneapolis, MN 55489



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# Lecturer's Department

## 2019 Contest Winners Lecturer Department

- Creative Writing Contest**  
Group A – Adults, age 20 and over  
Best of Show: Larry Houch, Sallal #955  
2nd Best of Show: Larry Houch, Sallal #955
- Group B – Youth, age 14 – 19  
Best of Show: Laura Delaney, North River #946  
2nd Best of Show: Carmella Gumaelius, North River #946
- Talent Contest – These are sponsored by Grange Insurance Group**  
Best of Show: Oren Gaskill, Ten Mile #399  
Best of Show Runner-Up: Ann Fackenthall, Gardenspot #278  
Best Vocal: Oren Gaskill, Ten Mile #399  
Best Variety: Ann Fackenthall, Gardenspot #278
- Photography Contest**  
Group I – Adults, age 20 and over  
Best of Show: Travis Bates, Ten Mile #399  
2nd Best of Show: Carolyn Hojem, Fruitland #999
- Group II – Youth, age 14 – 19  
Best of Show: Evan Berdan, Bee Hive #385  
2nd Best of Show: Rosa Salazar, East Hill #786
- Group III – Juniors, age 5 – 14  
Best of Show: Lauren Rohde, Waitsburg #1  
2nd Best of Show: Keegan Allen, Fargher Lake #853
- Arts and Crafts Contest**  
Group A – Paintings and Drawings, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Cheryl Britton, Central #831  
2nd Best of Show: Jane Hutchison, Selah Heights #608
- Group B – Fiber Crafts/Needle Arts, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Jean Swift, Skagit Valley #620  
2nd Best of Show: Karen Ragan, Skokomish #379
- Group C – Holiday Crafts, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Debbie Riegel-Yates, Rexville #815  
2nd Best of Show: Brian Flatt, Sunnyside #129
- Group D – Woodcrafts, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Chuck Barnett, Bryant #791  
2nd Best of Show: Jon Cash, Crescent #463
- Group E – Recycled Crafts, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Mary Niccoli, Oakview #311  
2nd Best of Show: Rosa Salazar, Meridian #265
- Group F – Constructive Crafts, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Matt Lefever, Goldendale #49  
2nd Best of Show: Debbie Riegel-Yates, Rexville #815
- Group G – Paper Crafts, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Debbie Richards, Fishers Pioneer #211  
2nd Best of Show: Debbie Smith, Humptulips #730
- Group H – General Crafts, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Deana Luth, Goldendale #49  
2nd Best of Show: Barb Brien, Buena #836
- Group I – Grange Promotional Art/Craft, Adults, ages 14 and over  
Best of Show: Richard Lefever, Goldendale #49  
2nd Best of Show: Tom Gwin, Humptulips #730
- Group J – Arts & Crafts, Children, Ages 10 – 13  
Best of Show: Bradley Sakrison, Fargher Lake #853  
2nd Best of Show: Lucy Jones, Five Mile Prairie #905
- Group K – Arts & Crafts, Children, Ages 5 – 9  
Best of Show: Brady Bowen, McIntosh #1001  
2nd Best of Show: Melody Wyrick, Five Mile Prairie #905

## Convention Review

By Leslie Jo Wells  
State Grange Lecturer

**Talent Contest:**  
The Talent Contest was held on Friday evening with a full audience in attendance. We had two participants who willingly shared their talents with us – one in the Variety category and one in the Vocal category. The 2nd Best of Show winner was Variety participant Ann Fackenthall from Gardenspot Grange #278. The Best of Show winner was Vocalist Oren Gaskill from Ten Mile Grange #399. Oren will be representing Washington state at the Evening of Excellence at the National Grange Convention in Bloomington, Minnesota in November. At the Talent Contest we collect donations for the WSG Talent Travel Fund and I would like to say thanks to all of you who donated as the cups were passed – we have \$472 to help get our representative to the Evening of Excellence at National Convention. I would like to thank Terry Abbott who managed the rehearsal for the contestants, Jim Mobius who handled the staging, the

sound crew for their work and the Youth for presenting the Flags.

**Outstanding Lecturers:**  
The following Outstanding Lecturers were also recognized on Friday evening. **Subordinate Granges:** Robert Nichols-Catlin Grange 199, Elmer Rasmussen-Logan Hill Grange #1086, Jennifer Oliver-Collins Grange #893, Joanie Raymond-Molson Grange #1069, Members-Fruitvale Grange #348, Members-Oakview Grange #311, Terri Saak-Greenbluff Grange #300, Jennifer Pfleeger-Rose Valley Grange #953, Jo Ann Anderson-Issaquah Valley Grange #581 and Glen Hendrick-San Juan Island Grange #966.

**Pomona Granges:** Members-Cowlitz County Pomona #7, Jennifer Oliver-Pierce County Pomona #16, Tom Gwin-Grays Harbor/Pacific Counties Pomona #28, Patty Mathews-Thurston County Pomona #8, and Janice Smith-Pend Orielle County Pomona #29. These are the members that lead the educational efforts in our Granges – not an easy task!

**Lecturer Team:**  
I would like to take this opportunity to offer a HUGE thank you to the members of the Lecturer Team for their tremendous help and unflagging enthusiasm at Convention – Carol Evans, Helen Gardner, Davona Gwin, and Judy Steigman. Our other Lecturer Team member, Sherry Cummins was unable to be with us for Convention this year and we definitely missed her. When we arrived on Monday it was to a large vacant area and by late Tuesday morning everything was set up to receive the Arts and Crafts and Photography entries you brought with you. These ladies were exceptional!!! I would also like to thank the member volunteers from the host area for their assistance with taking in entries and aarranging displays. These volunteers are so important to getting this whole task done so we are ready for judging and having everything on display. And then...we got to take it all apart on Saturday afternoon. Such fun!



Leslie Jo Wells

## McLane Grange Helps California Fire Victim



McLane Grange member Cheri Tinney's cousin Tom lost his home and all belongings in the catastrophic November, 2018 Paradise, California Camp Fire when 90% of the town was destroyed. Grange members rallied to locate household goods, clothes and tools for a January 2019 delivery to cousin Tom's temporary home, an hour outside of Paradise. Cheri was also able to take him a new special possession of a table made by his grandfather. Another load of donations was delivered two weeks later.



# Convention Recap

## 2019 Summary Of Resolutions

For the complete text of approved resolutions, please refer to the Washington State Grange website at [www.wa-grange.org](http://www.wa-grange.org) or call the State Grange Office at 1-800-854-1635.

RES. NO.	TITLE	PROPOSED BY	ACTION TAKEN
2019-01-1301	Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act	Manor #1101	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-02-1001	Action to be Taken on Passed Resolutions	Clark Co. Pomona #1	Adopted
2019-03-1401	End Red Light Camera Programs	Pierce Co. Pomona #16	Adopted
2019-04-1201	Public Health & Safety Change to Grange Legislative Handbook	Issaquah Valley #581	Adopted
2019-05-1101	Resolution	Issaquah Valley #581	Adopted as Amended
2019-06-1202	Vaccines	Whitman Co. Pomona #3	Rejected
2019-07-1002	Washington State Grange Endorsements	Clark Co. Pomona #1	Adopted as Amended
2019-08-1402	Elimination of the Office of WA State Lieutenant Governor	Humptulips #730	Rejected
2019-09-1102	Membership (1)	Selah Heights #608	Rejected, current policy
2019-10-1103	Membership (2)	Selah Heights #608	Rejected
2019-11-1105	Membership (3)	Selah Heights #608	Rejected
2019-12-1106	Sales of Grange Property	Humptulips #730	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-13-1302	Year-Round Daylight Savings Time in Washington State	Humptulips #730	Rejected
2019-14-1303	Federal Government Shutdowns	Humptulips #730	Adopted; forward to National
2019-15-0301	Breaching the Four Dame on the Snake River in Eastern WA	Steele Lake Highline #805	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-16-0302	Farmer’s Innovations	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-17-0303	Ban Single Use Plastic Bags in WA State	Clark Co. Pomona #1	Rejected
2019-18-1403	Election of Statewide Public Office	St. Andrews #832	Rejected
2019-19-1304	Power Grid	St. Andrews #832	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-20-1305	Robo Calls	Whitman Co. Pomona #2	Rejected
2019-21-0101	Volunteer Stewardship Program	Cowlitz Co. Pomona #7	Adopted
2019-22-0102	Definition of Milk	Sunnyside #129	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-23-1404	Waste to Energy Incineration Facilities	Sunnyside #129	Adopted as Amended
2019-24-1306	Changing Daylight Savings Time	Sunnyside #129	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-25-0304	Restore the Similkameen River	Okanogan Co. Pomona #53	Rejected
2019-26-0103	Agricultural Tax Preferences	Sunnyside #129	Rejected, covered by 2019-37-0106
2019-27-0104	Carbon Farming	Sunnyside #129	Adopted; forward to national
2019-28-1106	Single Parent Membership	Okanogan Pomona #53	Rejected



Convention Recap

# 2019 Summary Of Resolutions

RES. NO.	TITLE	PROPOSED BY	ACTION TAKEN
2019-29-1003	Communications Director	Okanogan Pomona #53	Tabled for further study
2019-30-1107	Grange Flag Display at Meetings	Pierce County Pomona #16	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-31-1601	Support the Use of ADB Vehicle Lights in the United States	Washington #82	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
2019-32-0701	Public Education Funding Shortfall	Goldendale #49, Centerville #81, Klickitat Co. Pomona #5	Adopted as Amended
2019-33-0105	Ban Glyphosate-Based Pesticides for Agricultural Use in the State of Washington	Stevenson #121	Rejected
2019-34-0305	Ban All Single-Use Plastics	Stevenson #121	Rejected
2019-35-1405	Build a Statewide Internet Utility	Stevenson #121	Rejected
2019-36-1602	Roundabout on State Hwy 162	McMillin #848	Adopted
2019-37-0106	Agricultural Tax Preferences	Humptulips #730	Adopted
2019-38-1501	Fees on Paper Grocery Bags	Humptulips #730	Adopted as Amended
2019-39-1203	Opposition to Importing Non-FDA Approved Prescription Drugs	Humptulips #730	Adopted; forward to National
2019-40-0901	Supporting Youth Firearms Education Programs	Humptulips #730	Adopted; forward to National
2019-41-1502	Student Agriculture Protection Act of 2019	Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona #28	Adopted; forward to National
2019-42-0107	Restoring and Expanding Markets for American Producers	Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona #28	Adopted; forward to National
2019-43-0201	National Grange Financial Audit	Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona #28	Adopted; forward to National
2019-44-1204	Basic Dental Coverage through Medicare	North River #946	Adopted; forward to National
2019-45-1603	24 Hour Headlight Use on All Vehicles	Quillayute Valley #661	Rejected, current policy
2019-46-1604	Roundabout Education	Moses Lake #1151	Adopted as Amended
2019-47-1108	Subordinate Grange Meeting Attendance	Moses Lake #1151	Adopted
Transportation Standing Res #1	Standardized Seat Belt Buckles	Transportation Standing Committee	Adopted; forward to National
Transportation Standing Res #2	Automatic Daytime Low-Beam Headlings on all New Motor Vehicles	Transportation Standing Committee	Adopted as Amended; forward to National
Agriculture Standing Res #1	USDA Inspections to Allow Horses to be Used for Human Consumption	Agriculture Standing Committee	Adopted; forward to National
Agriculture Standing Res #2	Humane Disposal of Unwanted Agricultural Animals	Agriculture Standing Committee	Adopted; forward to National
Agriculture Standing Res #3	Feeding of Spent Brewer’s Grains or Other Food Processing Byproducts to Livestock	Agriculture Standing Committee	Adopted; forward to National
Cons/Ecology Comm Res #1	Oppose Legislation to Create a Wild Olympic Wilderness	Conservation/Ecology Session Committee	Adopted; forward to National
Cons/Ecology Comm Res #2	Wild and Scenic Rivers Act	Conservation/Ecology Standing Committee	Adopted
Veterans Affairs Standing Res #1	Veterans Benefits Information	Veterans Affairs Standing Committee	Adopted as Amended
Veterans Affairs Standing Res #2	Eliminate Veterans Offsets	Veterans Affairs Standing Committee	Adopted; forward to National
National Leg Comm Res #1	Deletion of Item from State Legislative Handbook	National Legislative Session Committee	Adopted



# Convention Info

## State Grange Delegates Debate, Vote On Internal Issues

Delegates to the 130th Annual Session debated and voted upon several internal issues aimed toward moving the organization forward.

**Audit & Budget:**

The delegates voted to encourage the National Grange Executive Committee / Board of Directors to take a more aggressive approach in working with their accountants and/or auditors in completing their annual audit in a more timely manner and that the audit for the period ending annually on December 31 be made available to the Audit and Budget Committee and the delegates to the National

Grange Convention at their convention in November of the succeeding year.

**Grange Law:**

The Session Committee makeup was altered to include a representative of each State Grange Standing Committee, rather than all Standing Committee members who may be session delegates.

The State Grange Bylaws were updated to allow Granges to drop delinquent members after one quarter if proper contact has been made with the delinquent member.

The State Grange Bylaws were amended regarding associate members attending

Grange meetings.

The State Grange voted to increase the amount of monies by the Subordinate Granges when real property is sold. The resolution will be forwarded to the National Grange for their consideration.

The State Grange voted to better define the location of the Grange flag, when present at Grange meetings.

The State Grange's Virtual Meeting Policy was amended to state the President or Master must be in physical attendance at the Subordinate Grange meeting in order to run the meeting and if not physically present, the next highest-ranking officers will run the

meeting.

**Grange Activities:**

A special committee will be appointed to review the role of Pomona Granges and make recommendations for the revitalization and reactivation of in active Pomona Granges in our state.

A special committee will be appointed to develop guidelines for Grange Treasurers.

The State Grange will look review at all adopted resolutions as to whether action can be taken to promote the issue; the State Grange will assist Granges to identify potential legislators who could sponsor the legislation and assist in

making appointments with those legislators on Grange Legislative Day.

The State Grange will work with its legislative committee to develop a program to create press releases on critical issues of importance to our membership.

The State Grange will ask or a financial impact statement for all resolutions having a fiscal impact to the State Grange. The statement to be submitted by the sponsoring Grange.

The State Grange will investigate additional companies to provide background checks for volunteers in our Junior and Youth Programs.

## State Grange Elects Officers

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Succeeding Oliver as State Ceres will be Isabella Lierman of Horseshoe Grange in Snohomish County. Lierman is a student studying elementary education at Washington State University.

Alexis Kudsk of Haynie Grange in Whatcom County was elected as the new State Pomona. Kudsk is also attending WSU, where she studies mechanical engineering. She will succeed Leah Bardal, who did not seek reelection.

Kim Knott, a member of East Hill Grange in King County, will succeed Annie Scott at the State Grange Flora. Scott did not seek reelection. Knott served one term as State Ceres several years ago.

Helen Berg, the Master of Moses Lake Grange in Grant County and a member of Sunnyside Grange in Cowlitz



County was elected to be the new Director of Family Living. Berg succeeds Eileen Moebius as the director.

Two members of the Executive Committee were not up for election this year. David Bryant of Elk Plain Grange in Pierce County has one year remaining on his term, while June Hendrickson of Steele Lake Highline Grange in King County has two years remaining on her term.

### 2019-2020 Washington State Grange Officers

- Master/President: ..... Tom Gwin
- Overseer:..... Karen Jackson
- Lecturer:.....Leslie Wells
- Steward:..... David Knott
- Assistant Steward: .....Michael Beckman
- Lady Assistant Steward: .....Brittney Oliver
- Chaplin: ..... Pam Mathews
- Treasurer:.....Pam Figg
- Secretary:..... Terry Abbott
- Gatekeeper:.....Nick Oliver
- Ceres:.....Isabella Lierman
- Flora: ..... Kim Knott
- Pomona: ..... Alexis Kudsk
- Executive Committee - 3 Year: ..... Duane Hamp
- Executive Committee - 2 Year: ..... June Hendrickson
- Executive Committee - 1 Year: .....David Bryant
- Director of Family Living: ..... Helen Berg



Brittney Oliver



Kim Knott



Isabella Lierman



Alexis Kudsk



Helen Berg

## 2019 Convention Committees Meet

Conservation & Ecology Committee



State Legislative Committee

Grange Law Committee



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# Convention Info

## Shirley Ward Presented With 2019 Grange Leadership Award

Shirley Ward, a longtime member of Chumstick Grange in Chelan County is the recipient of the 2019 WA State Grange Leadership Award. The award was presented at the annual convention on Saturday, June 29. Sister Ward was escorted to the master's station where she graciously accepted the honor and provided numerous words of wisdom from her Grange involvement.

Shirley is a 70-year member of the Grange. She currently serves as the Treasurer of the Chelan County Pomona Grange

and the Secretary of Chumstick Grange. Until recently, she was also Secretary of the Roving Granges, a group affiliated with the Grange Camper Association.

Each year between Thanksgiving and Christmas, you can find Shirley at the Chumstick Grange Hall in Leavenworth as she is the chairman of the Holiday Bazaar at the Grange Hall during the Christmas Lighting Festival. She also mans the Grange's bake sale table at the bazaar. On her days off during the holiday season, she works to replenish the supply of baked goods, making

bread, cookies, and candies for the festival attendees.

Shirley served for several years as the State Grange Deputy Master for Chelan County. She was also a member of the State Lecturer Committee and, along with her husband Lloyd, was the North Central District Grange Youth Director. She told of the tales of the youth group, several of whom are currently serving as State Grange officers.

In announcing the award, State Master Tom Gwin stated. "The leadership demonstrated by Shirley at the local level with

Chumstick Grange and the county level with Chelan County Pomona Grange is unparalleled. She truly is deserving of this honor."

The State Grange Leadership Award, presented annually since 1957, is the highest honor accorded by the Washington State Grange.



## Delegates Debate And Take Action On A Wide Range Of Subjects

The delegates to the Annual State Grange Session debated numerous subjects. Highlights of these actions are as follows:

### Agriculture

- We affirm current State Grange policy to encourage the USDA inspections to allow horses to be used for human consumption or other beneficial uses.
- We affirm current State Grange policy supporting efforts to maintain commercial processing facilities for the humane disposal of unwanted agricultural animals.
- We affirm current State Grange policy opposing the Food and Drug Administrations (FDA) Food Safety Modernization Act that prevents feeding of spent brewer's grains or other food processing byproducts to livestock.
- We support the Volunteer Stewardship Program being applied equally to all landowners with valid resourced concerns regardless of when the land went into production.
- We only support carbon related programs if they do not cause farmland to be idled, do not compete for funding with existing programs that support Washington farmers and do not increase taxes.
- We support existing tax

preferences that benefit our agricultural producers and oppose any legislation that would remove tax preferences that benefit agriculture.

- We support the federal government to negotiate a bilateral agreement with Japan that restores access and expands markets for American producers.

### Conservation & Ecology

- The WA State Grange to lobby the WA State Legislature to prohibit the four dams on the Snake River in Washington from being removed.
- The Grange to engage in statewide and national public relations efforts showcasing the work and leadership of farmers and ranchers in adapting to and utilizing best management practices.
- We oppose any legislation to create a Wild Olympic Wilderness.
- We oppose any legislation to add more rivers to the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

### Education

- The WA State Grange lobby on behalf of public education to ensure the legislature realistically amends the McCleary implementation to ensure all public schools are fully funded by the state, including state mandates.

### Fish & Wildlife

- The Grange supports existing youth firearms education programs, such as hunter safety education program and the 4-H shooting sports programs, and we oppose legislation that would restrict programs that educate our youth to use firearms and ammunition in a responsible manner.

### Health, Health Care & Safety

- We support the right of any individual to choose for themselves and their dependents what foods and medicines they will or will not use provided such choices do not impact public health.
- We oppose legislation which would allow the importing of non-FDA approved prescription drugs into the United States.
- We support changes to the Medicare Program to include basic routine dental services.

### National Legislative

- We support a National Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act, that would allow all states to recognize all conceal carry permits.
- We support either daylight savings time or standard time on a permanent basis year-round. We encourage the Oregon State Grange and the

California State Grange to support legislation in their states, making a unified time zone in the three western coastal states.

- We believe that when the US Government shuts down because Congress has not approved proper funding, the members of Congress (Senators and House of Representatives) shall not be paid for the time the government is shut down.
- We ask the National Grange to work with Congress to make the protection of the Electrical Grid a top priority of National Security.

### State Legislative

- We support legislation to end the use of red-light cameras in Washington.
- We support more waste to energy incineration facilities.

### Taxation & Fiscal Policy

- We oppose legislation implementing any state-wide fee larger than five cents (\$0.05) on paper bags.
- We support the adoption of HR 1770, the Student Agriculture Protection Act of 2019.

### Transportation

- We affirm current State Grange policy of standardizing

seat belt buckles.

- We affirm current State Grange policy to support automatic daytime low-beam headlights on their equivalents on all new motor vehicles.
- We ask the National Grange to encourage the NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) to approve the use of ADB (Adaptive Driving Beam) vehicle headlight dimming system with its advanced use of LED lights to make driving safer on US highways.
- The Grange will petition the WA State Department of Transportation to NOT put roundabouts on SR 162 and instead develop alternative solutions to the congestion on SR 162 such as additional lanes.
- We support and lobby for legislation to include maneuvering roundabouts as part of the Washington State department of Licensing driving Test.

### Veteran's Affairs

- We ask that a list of phone numbers and websites be made available to all Subordinate Granges.
- We urge Congress to enact legislation to repeal the inequitable offset between rightfully earned longevity military retired pay and VA disability compensation for all veterans.



# Convention Memories

JUNE 26 - 29, 2019

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# Convention Memories





# Home & Family

## Family Living

### Welcome To New Family Living Director Helen Berg

By Helen Berg  
Family Living Director

As your new Family Living Director, let me introduce myself. I am the first of my generation of the Ogden Family. Yes, Rex is my brother. I was a 4-H member as I grew up, where I learned may of my home skills. I began my Grange experience as a “Juvenile Granger.” Back then, you could stay a Junior until 16, so I did. I am a 55-year member of Sunnyside Grange #129 and a member of Moses Lake Grange #1151. I spent 20 plus years as a teacher in both the public and

private sector. I have spent many years as a fair superintendent. I have attended many judging classes, putting my knowledge to use judging at several fairs and Grange competitions. I served as a district CFL director for three years. Also, I have been the coordinator for the family living department at the state convention. I am married to my husband, Chuck, who supports me in so much even though he is not a Granger. I attend the First Baptist Church in Soap Lake, where I currently reside. I am humbled to be elected as



your CFL and am looking forward to getting my team in place. If you live in the SW corner of the state, I would love to have you on my team. Also, the SW part of our state needs to be represented. I would like to hear from any of you about changes you would like to see in our program. Remember, this program only works if we have programs people will participate in. My email is chuckhelenberg@hotmail.com . Let’s have a great year!



### Give The Gift Of Flavorful Dairy

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Incorporating dairy foods like milk, cheese and yogurt into your dining can help provide flavor and nutritional value. Since they’re readily available in many family kitchens, dairy foods are ideal for creating recipes for last-minute snacks and starters. With just a few ingredients, this Mozzarella Pepper Salsa recipe takes next to no time to make when family and friends are craving a quick bite. Find other nutritious appetizer ideas at [midwestdairy.com](http://midwestdairy.com).

#### Mozzarella Pepper Salsa

**Prep Time:** 10 minutes  
**Total Time:** 1 hour 10 minutes  
**Servings:** 24

**Ingredients:**

- 8 ounces mozzarella cheese, cut into 1/4-inch pieces
- 1 cup roasted red peppers, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup sliced green onions
- 2 tablespoons slivered fresh basil
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- Coarsely ground black pepper
- Endive lettuce, separated into leaves
- Keebler® Toasteds® Harvest Wheat crackers

In small bowl combine cheese, peppers, onion, basil and oil. Season with pepper. Refrigerate at least 1 hour to blend flavors. Serve with endive and crackers.

### Goldendale Granger Creates Grange Hero Convention Cake

“Grange Hero’s” was the theme used by Goldendale Granger, Lanae Johnson in decorating this cake for the recent Washington State Grange Convention. Her cake is a rich chocolate, carved into the shape of a shirt, a Grange Officer Sash and Grange Hero Cape blowing in the wind were sculptured with fondant. Expecting a basic sheet cake, we were surprised by her “Grange Hero” cake. Lanae Johnson has decorated several special cakes for us and is truly an artist when decorating cakes. Klickitat County was a host county and provided refreshments in the hospitality room during the convention.



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Home & Family

# 2019 Family Living Contest Awards Winners

The Family Living Department announces the following winners of this year’s state contests, held at the WA State Grange Convention in Okanogan.

**BAKING CONTEST – JUNIORS:**

- Best of Show** – C. Johnson, Black Lake Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Annabelle Parker, East Hill JG
- Quick Breads/Muffins, First Place** – Annabelle Parker, East Hill JG
- Desserts, First Place** – Kendra Parker, East Hill JG
- No Bake Cookies, First Place** – Kendra Parker, East Hill JG
- Brownies/Bars, First Place** – Faith Roberts, Fishers Pioneer Grange
- Special Diet, First Place** – C. Johnson, Black Lake Grange

**BAKING CONTEST – ADULTS:**

- Best of Show** – Vickie Gilmour, Fargher Lake Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Shereyl Hemp, Kellogg Marsh Grange
- Quick Breads/Muffins, First Place** – Debbie Richards, Fishers Pioneer Grange
- Yeast Breads/Rolls, First Place** – Diane Williams, South Union Grange
- Cookies, First Place** – Vickie Gilmour, Fargher Lake Grange
- Cakes, First Place** – Traci Heck, Black Lake Grange
- Pies, First Place** – Shereyl Hemp, Kellogg Marsh Grange
- Special Diet, First Place** – Carolyn Hojem, Fruitland Grange
- Other, First Place** – Vickie Gilmour, Fargher Lake Grange

**CANDY CONTEST – YOUTH:**

- Best of Show** – AJ Timberman, East Hill Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Roza Salazar, East Hill Grange
- Cooked Candy, First Place** – Rosa Salazar, East Hill Grange
- Uncooked Candy, First Place** – AJ Timberman, East Hill Grange

**CANDY CONTEST – ADULT:**

- Best of Show** – Mel Knott, East Hill Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Shirley Ward, Chumstick Grange
- Cooked Candy, First Place** – Mel Knott, East Hill Grange
- Uncooked Candy, First Place** – Shirley Ward, Chumstick Grange

**FOOD PRESERVATION CONTEST – JUNIORS:**

- Best Of Show** – Jacob Smith, Humptulisp JG
- 2nd Best of Show** – Chance Burtenshaw, Humptulips JG
- Canned Fruit, First Place** – Chance Burtenshaw, Humptulips JG
- Jams/Jellies, First Place** – Jacob Smith, Humptulips JG

**FOOD PRESERVATION CONTEST – YOUTH:**

- Best of Show** – Nicole Ristine, South Lake Stevens Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Rosa Salazar, East Hill Grange

**FOOD PRESERVATION CONTEST – ADULTS:**

- Best of Show** – Tarey Kay, Deer Lagoon Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Jean Swift, Skagit Valley Grange
- Canned Fruits, First Place** – Jean Swift, Skagit Valley Grange
- Canned Vegetables, First Place** – Tarey Kay, Deer Lagoon Grange
- James/Jellies, First Place** – Chris Hamp, Five Mile Prairie Grange
- Pickles/Relishes, First Place** – Tom Gwin, Humptulips Grange
- Meats, First Place** – Lillie Savage, Olympic View Grange
- Vinegars, First Place** – Tom Gwin, Humptulips Grange
- Dried Foods, First Place** – Jean Swift, Skagit Valley Grange
- Other, First Place** – Debbie Riegel-Yates, Rexville Grange

**SEWING CONTEST – JUNIORS:**

- Best of Show** – Julianne Hinkle, Terrace Heights Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Annabelle Parker, East Hill JG
- Clothing, First Place** – Julianne Hinkle, Terrace Heights Grange
- Other, First Place** – Annabelle Parker, East Hill JG

**SEWING CONTEST – ADULTS:**

- Best of Show** – Shereyl Hemp, Kellogg Marsh Grange
- Adult Clothing, First Place** – Shereyl Hemp, Kellogg Marsh Grange
- Childs Clothing, First Place** – Janet Schmidt, Waller Road Grange
- Night Gown/Pajamas, First Place** – Shereyl Hemp, Kellogg Marsh Grange
- Home Decor, First Place** – Elizabeth Richmond, Olalla Grange
- Aprons/Costumes, First Place** – Shereyl Hemp, Kellogg Marsh Grange
- Trash to Fashion, First Place** – Sherry Crespo, Fruitland Grange
- Other, First Place** – Sherry Crespo, Fruitland Grange

**STATE QUILT BLOCK CONTEST:**

- Best of Show** – Karen Richards, Clayton Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Carol Franzen, Green Bluff Grange

**COMFORT TOY CONTEST:**

- Best of Show** – James Bryant, Olalla Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Sherry Crespo, Fruitland Grange

**NEEDLEWORK CONTEST:**

- Best of Show** – June Bradshaw, Samish Valley Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Eladice Arnold, McLane Grange
- Small for House** – Juniors, First Place – Lucy Jones, Five Mile Prairie Grange
- Large for House, First Place** – Eladice Arnold, McLane Grange
- Medium for House, First Place** – Mark George, Sharon Grange
- Small for House, First Place** – Rhonda Kayser, Goldendale Grange
- Item To Wear, First Place** – Glenda Gallagher, Newaukum Grange
- Afghan Large, First Place** – Nancy Richter, Sharon Grange
- Afghan Small, First Place** – Janet Schmidt, Waller Road Grange
- 3-piece Baby Outfit, First Place** – Ginger Sweat, Issaquah Valley Grange
- Hand Embroidery, First Place** – June Bradshaw, Samish Valley Grange
- Counted Cross Stitch, First Place** – Tom Gwin, Humptulips Grange
- Plastic Canvas, First Place** – Tom Gwin, Humptuips Grange
- Other, First Place** – Karen Swift-Costello, Skagit Valley Grange

**QUILTING CONTEST – ADULTS:**

- Best of Show** – Jeannie Austin, Ohop Grange
- 2nd Best of Show** – Rose Hosford, South Union Grange
- Traditional Quilts** – Large, First Place – Jeannie Austin, Ohop Grange
- Traditional Quilts** – Small, First Place – Jeannie Austin, Ohop Grange
- Traditional Quilts** – Lap/Baby Quilt, First Place – Lois Rollag, Ohop Grange
- Traditional Quilts** – Wall Hanging, First Place – Sue Rothfus, Catlin Grange
- Beyond Traditional** - Large Quilts, First Place – Marlene Diehl, Central Grange
- Beyond Traditional** - Small Quilts, First Place – Sue Casey, South Union Grange
- Beyond Traditional** – Lap/Baby Quilt, First Place – Laurel Jobs, Fredonia Grange
- Beyond Traditional** - Wall Hangings, First Place –  
Ginger Moline, South Union Grange
- Beyond Traditional** - Small Quilted Items, First Place –  
Sally Harrington, South Union Grange
- Beyond Traditional** – Other Item, First Place – Rose Hosford,  
South Union Grange
- Art/Landscape Quilts** – Small, First Place – Lisa Owen, Olalla Grange
- Hand Quilted** – Small, First Place – Sue Rothfus, Catlin Grange

# 2019 Pomona Public Service Volunteer - MaryAnn Enyeart

MaryAnn Enyeart, Master, Goldendale Grange #49 received the 2019 Public Service Volunteer of the Year award at the 2019 Washington State Grange Convention. A new Grandbaby arrived during the Grange Convention and she was unable to attend the convention. State Deputy for Klickitat County Lucille Bevis presented plaque to Mary Ann at a Special Grange meeting. Mary Ann has been a leader with the Muttonhead 4-H Club 40 years. Because of her endless devotion the Muttonheads 4-H club it is one of the oldest continuous clubs in the county. She has been a Grange member for 49 years, currently is Master of Goldendale Grange and Secretary Pomona Grange. In her spare time, she maintains the grounds and flower beds at Klickitat County Historical Society. She also prepares meals at the Community Kitchen for several local organizations. MaryAnn is a great reminder “Volunteers don’t necessarily have more time, they have more heart.





# Grange Connection

**CLALLAM COUNTY**

Crescent Grange hosted the annual Memorial Day Program at Port Crescent Pioneer Cemetery honoring those who gave their lives in service to our country. Members of this small community who participated in the ceremony were: Master of Ceremonies Emil Moilanen, Crescent Grange. Raising and lowering of the flag by Boy Scout Troop #4424. Kylan Scheid, Crescent High School Class of 2019 led the attendance in the Salute to the Flag. Keynote Speaker was Michael Church, Colonel (Retired) U. S. Army and Crescent School District Assoc. Principal. David Johnson, Crescent Class of 1983 read a poem of remembrance and closed the ceremony with Taps. Pianist Trent Pomeroy who, year after year, supplies the music. Members of Crescent Grange hosted with coffee, tea, punch and tons of cookies. The weather behaved with sunshine and a small breeze coming in off the Straits. This small community of Joyce honor those fallen heroes and pray for the safety of the men and women of the Armed Forces serving at home and abroad. God bless them and keep them from harm's way.

**GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY**

**Humptulips Grange** members are working with the Humptulips Grocery for a solution to their water problem. The Grange has agreed to an easement for the store, subject to approval by

the State Grange Executive Committee. Eleven Junior Grangers attended Camp Morehead in July. We are working on our displays for the Grays Harbor County Fair and the Washington State Fair.

**KING COUNTY**

**East Hill Grange** has been working on the King County Fair display, they also helped make Freedom Quilts for Jack (Army) & June Hendrickson of Steele Lake Highline Grange, Kelly (Marine) & Sandy McNutt of Meridian, Terry (Marine Purple Heart) & Pam Beckler of Cedar, David Fullerton (Army) of Meridian and Steve Hall (Air Force) of East Hill Grange. These were presented at Meridian Grange at their Memorial Day program.

**Meridian Grange** held their memorial program and presented Freedom Quilts for Jack (Army) & June Hendrickson of Steele Lake Highline Grange, Kelly (Marine) & Sandy McNutt of Meridian, Terry (Marine Purple Heart) & Pam Beckler of Cedar, David Fullerton (Army) of Meridian and Steve Hall (Air Force) of East Hill Grange. These were presented at Meridian Grange at their Memorial Day program.

**Sammamish Valley Grange** Master, Tom Quigley, sported be antennae quite well recently at the Woodinville Farmers Market. With additional partners, the Grange's activism is bringing awareness to the importance and impact of bees and pollinators in our local food system. The

BEEvesting program has increased engagement in the community through public library displays, attendance at events, and initiated numerous conversations with local businesses, non-profits and public officials.

**Klickitat County**

**Alder Creek Grange** hosted a "No Till" seminar on the 18th of June.

**Centerville Grange** is doing well, holding regular meetings, except during July and August with normally 16 or 17 members attending. They received a grant from the State to update their hall with new energy windows, HVAC system, kitchen countertops and new front steps. They also purchased the property next door, which had become an eyesore and received another grant to make a parking lot which will be shared with the Community Church as they have no parking space. The grange is a strong supporter of the 4-H and FFA. Our young members have been FFA members and are engaged in farming with their family.

**Columbia Grange** has been meeting regularly and recently their secretary, Dave Keyes, resigned due to poor health. The members have been cleaning up the hall and painted inside and outside and the hall looks great. They have rented the hall on occasion and looking to purchase a propane stove for upstairs. In May they hosted the Lyle cleanup days group at a potluck luncheon. They received a gift of money, to their surprise, which will help them maintain their hall. They have nine members who are eligible to receive their 50 year pins.

**Glenwood Grange** is seeing new life with new members. State Deputy Master Lucille attended and spoke on the Grange and its involvement in the community. The members were interested in her discussion.

**Goldendale Grange** recently had major issues with their old building due to the winter we had. The building sustained water and the eaves came down due to heavy snow and ice. Currently we have contractors looking at the hall. There is asbestos tiles in the kitchen and now we could have mold

**Trout Lake Grange** is active as a "community center" as it is the only building in town for hosting events. They will be having the Saturday Markets beginning in July and going through September.

## Rose Valley Grange Awards Scholarship



Sydney Hall was the recipient of Rose Valley Granges #953 first scholarship award. Sydney attended Kelso High School. She also attended Lower Columbia College her senior year to get started on her career in nursing. Sydney will be attending Yakima Valley College in the fall.

Linda Williams will be hosting a Senior Seminar at the Hall this month.

**PACIFIC COUNTY**

**Long Beach Grange** hosted the July Pomona meeting. Later that same evening, we held our Consignment Auction. We had a full house with filled parking lots and additional cars parked along the street. The next auction will be on Saturday, August 10.

**North River Grange** members are busy planning their display for the county fair. Our Junior Grange is also planning a display. One Junior Granger attended Camp Morehead.

**North Willapa Harbor Grange** held a successful Strawberry Social in June. The Grange held a successful bake sale at the Woodfest, held in July at the Tokeland Hotel. We are working on our fair display. Several members are preparing for the cranberry harvest, to be held in October.

**SKAGIT COUNTY**

**Samish Valley Grange** began their 2019 Swap Meet season with our first event on June 15th. There will be events on July 20th and August 17th, as well, so we

are still looking for Hawkers and Gawkers. Wishing all our fellow Grangers a safe, wonderful summer!

**STEVENS COUNTY**

**Gardenspot Grange** announces the Tuesday, August 13th meeting to discuss dues structure. Meeting to be held at the Gardenspot Hall, potluck at 6.00pm meeting at 7:00pm. Instead

**Williams Valley Grange** announces the Tuesday, August 13th meeting to discuss dues structure. Meeting to be held at the Gardenspot Hall, potluck at 6.00pm meeting at 7:00pm.

**THURSTON COUNTY**

**Skookumchuck Grange** voted to move our meeting time from 6:30p.m. to 7pm. We swore in 3 new members.

**South Union Grange** met on June 17. It was reported that no problems were noted in the annual fire inspection. An article about the latest development planned for the Rocky Prairie area was shared with members. We took an official position in opposition to a similar proposal several years ago which would change the character of our community. We will continue to oppose the new proposal.

## Grangers Make And Present Freedom Quilts



Members of East Hill, Meridian, King County Pomona Youth and East Hill Jr Granges made Freedom Quilts for Jack (Army) & June Hendrickson of Steele Lake Highline Grange, Kelly (Marine) & Sandy McNutt of Meridian, Terry (Marine Purple Heart) & Pam Beckler of Cedar, David Fullerton (Army) of Meridian and Steve Hall (Air Force) of East Hill Grange. These were presented at Meridian Grange at their Memorial Day program.



# Grange Connection

Patty and Pam Mathews reported that eight people donated at total of more than \$445 for our scholarship fund in memory of their mother, Sharon Mathews. South Union members and friends dispensed refreshments at the Maytown Rest Area on southbound I-5 June 15 through 18. Thank you to all who donated time, cookies, and other treats. Dance to live county music by The Country Four on the first Saturday of every month from 7 to 10 pm (\$6 per person donation). All

ages are welcome. Our next meeting will be August 19 at 7 pm.

### WALLA WALLA COUNTY

**Burbank Grange** gave 4 scholarships to seniors at Columbia High School in Burbank. the money was raised through a community service project, the Grange members had 4 breakfasts in November and March on Sunday S, 8-12 a.m. We have been doing this project the last 20 plus years with a very good

turnout. Donated the hall for 2 funeral dinners. Miriam Richmond and Dan Martin both were long time active members. We are starting on June 29th a Farmers Market in our parking lot 9-12 a.m. on Saturday and will continue every Saturday till the end of August. We voted last meeting to purchase a rotating reader board to be installed on the front of the Grange hall, to keep the public informed of the current events in Burbank.

### WHATCOM COUNTY

**Ten Mile Grange** gave away 25 dictionaries for the "Words for Thirds" project to the Lummi Nation School 3rd grade class. Gary Brandt spearheaded the project for Ten Mile, as he is a teacher at the Lummi Nation School. Those in attendance to present

the dictionaries were Ten Mile Master Pete Hauck, Steward Gary Brandt, Treasurer Oren Gaskill and Lecturer Jean Hauck. The children and teachers were delighted to receive the dictionaries and expressed their gratitude to be included in such a worthwhile program.

## Pomona Connection

### Grays Harbor/ Pacific Pomona

Grays Harbor / Pacific Pomona Grange met in July at the Long Beach Grange Hall. There were five Granges represented by 23 members in attendance. The Pomona Grange finished awarded their partial campships to attend Junior Grange camp. Fifteen youth from our Granges attended Camp Morehead Junior Grange Camp, along with four teen counselors and four adults. The Granges made plans for the upcoming Grays Harbor County Fair, where the Pomona will conduct the Child ID booth and several Granges will have displays. Six subordinate Granges are planning displays, along with three Junior Granges, and three Grange Youth Groups. Convention delegates shared their experiences at this year's convention. The next meeting will be in November at the Elma Grange Hall.

### King County Pomona

King County Pomona #13 will host its next meeting on July 13th at Meridian Grange starting at 10AM with Pomona supplying meat for the BBQ; everything else will be potluck. The Pomona is getting ready for the King County Fair on July 18th-21st. We are collecting children's

books to hand out to all ages of children.

### Mason County Pomona

Mason County Pomona has scheduled its picnic for August 3rd. It will be held at Kneeland Park in downtown Shelton from 12 noon to 2 p.m. All Grangers are invited as well as family and friends. It's a potluck, so bring a dish that can be shared with others. In case of inclement weather, we'll be under shelter. Pomona Grange #20 awarded two Mason County high school graduates scholarships in the amount of \$750 each. Matthew DeWitt Sena graduated from North Mason High School. He plans to attend Western Washington University and pursue a degree in Business. Sheila Vazquez will attend South Puget Sound Community College. She plans to acquire a degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

### Skagit County Pomona

Skagit County Pomona Grange met at Summit Park Grange on June 5th. We mourned the passing of our Treasurer, Michael Custance. Members voted to purchase the Youth Raffle Tickets. The Resolutions Committee reported on the resolutions received and a discussion ensued. The committee

anticipates one more set of resolutions and will invite all delegates to attend a meeting to go over the resolutions prior to state convention. The next Pomona meeting will be a potluck picnic and convention report on July 10th. The location has been changed from Pomona Park to Skagit Valley Grange due to road construction and bridge closures near the park.

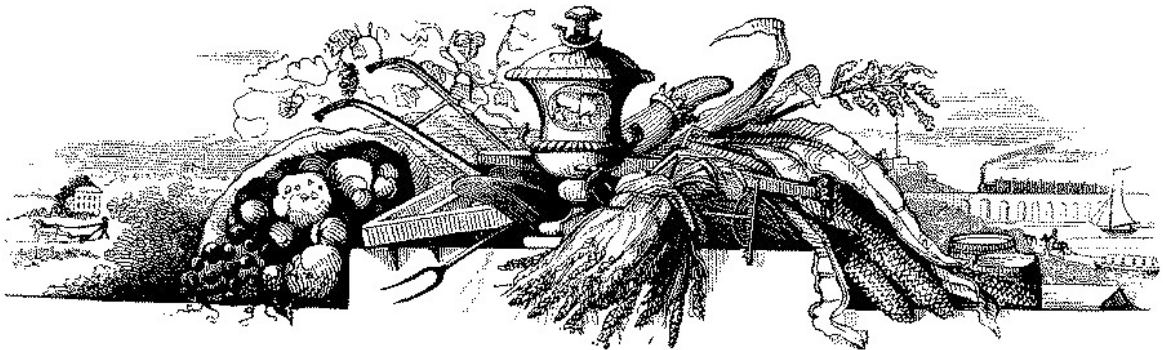
### Thurston County Pomona

Thurston County Pomona #8 met at McLane Grange on May 2 for a meeting that included the annual memorial program. Their June 6 meeting at Brighton Park Grange included the annual floral arranging contest. On May 19, an afternoon reception was held at Prosperity Grange hall to honor Silver Star and Golden Sheaf members. Nine Silver Star and four Golden Sheaf members were among the attendees who enjoyed a time of fellowship and some yummy cake and ice cream. The State Fair committee has been busy planning Pomona's display for the fair in Puyallup. There will be no August meeting so next regular meeting will be September 5 at Brighton Park Grange.

## Pomona Calendar

All Pomona Granges are requested to send their list of 2019 and 2020 meeting dates, times, and locations to [grange@wa-grange.org](mailto:grange@wa-grange.org) for inclusion into this calendar.

<b>CLALLAM</b>	September 10 at Fairview, 6 p.m. Election of Officers.
<b>CLARK</b>	September 11 at Hazel Dell, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.
<b>COWLITZ</b>	August 17 at Silver Lake, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 p.m. meeting.
<b>EXCELSIOR</b>	September 21 at Camas Valley, 10:30 a.m. Lunch is provided at 12 noon, bring dessert.
<b>GRAYS HARBOR/ PACIFIC</b>	November 9 at Elma, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>KING</b>	September 14 at East Hill, 10 a.m. meeting. Election of Officers.
<b>KITSAP</b>	Pomona Picnic on August 3 at Crystal, 1 p.m. Meeting on August 16 at Bethel, 7:30 p.m.
<b>KLICKITAT</b>	September 9 at Centerville, 12 p.m. potluck, 1 p.m. meeting.
<b>LEWIS</b>	August 3 at Lincoln Creek, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.
<b>MASON</b>	September 21 at The Agate, 11 a.m. Potluck at 12 p.m.
<b>OKANOGAN</b>	November 9 at Brewster, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>PEND OREILLE</b>	August 10 at Fertile Valley, 10 am; Potluck at noon.
<b>PIERCE</b>	August 24 at Roy, 10 a.m.
<b>RIVERSIDE</b>	August 25, Tri Pomona Picnic at Fulbright Park, 1:30 p.m.
<b>SKAGIT</b>	September 4 at Rexville, 7 p.m.
<b>SNAKE RIVER</b>	September 21 at Columbia Valley, 10 a.m. No host lunch following meeting.
<b>SPOKANE</b>	August 17 at the Radmer Home, meeting and fair booth planning.
<b>STEVENS</b>	September 28 at Stranger Creek.
<b>SUNNYSIDE</b>	August 13 at Buena, 7:30 p.m.
<b>THURSTON</b>	September 5 at Brighton Park, 7 p.m.
<b>WHATCOM</b>	September 17 at North Bellingham, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.
<b>WHITMAN</b>	September 21 at Wheatland, 10 a.m. Potluck at 12 noon.
<b>YAKIMA</b>	August 16 at Fruitvale, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.





# Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

## Youth

### Youth Department Enjoys Successful Convention

By Jerry Gwin  
State Youth Director

The Youth Department enjoyed another successful convention. We started our first meeting with 15 youth in attendance, and several more joined us throughout the week. Morgan Browning of Mossyrock Grange was elected to be our Youth Master for the year. She has an excellent team of officers working with her. There are many different Pomona Granges represented on this year's state youth officer team. Congratulations and best wishes to all of them.

We are now preparing for the Western Regional Grange Leaders and Youth Conference, to be held August 9-11 at the Echo Valley Camp, near Elliston, Montana. This conference will feature the regional contests in public speaking, sign-a-song, and Grange baseball. Winners of the regional contests will advance to compete and/or perform at the National Grange Convention in Bloomington, Minnesota in November. At last count, our state will have 12-15 representatives at the regional conference. The 2020 Western Regional Conference is scheduled to be held in

the State of Idaho. Applications for National Grange Youth Programs are due to me no later than August 15. This will include the John Trimble Legislative Experience and the National Grange Youth Officer Team. We already have our application for the Horizon Youth Ambassador Program as Alexis Kudsk was selected as this year's Youth Ambassador during the state convention. The trivia challenge is available, along with all of the application forms on the National Grange Youth website: [www.nationalgrangeyouth.org](http://www.nationalgrangeyouth.org).

Also due by August 15 are the applications for Youth Achievement Awards. We developed a form for each Grange to complete, listing the youth achievement awards earned by the members. The form is available on the State Grange website, [www.wa-grange.org](http://www.wa-grange.org) and listed under the youth department. Please complete the form and return to me by August 15 so I can compile the lists and submit to the National Grange Youth Director.

By the next issue, we will know who has been selected to represent our youth department at the national convention. Best of luck to all applicants and continue to "Go Right on Working"!



Jerry Gwin

## Juniors

### The Juniors Never Disappoint!

By Marvin & Jennifer Oliver  
Junior Grange Directors



Marvin & Jennifer Oliver

The Juniors had a wonderful State convention at beautiful Okanogan this year. We had a great group that stayed very busy. We started with the week off with tie die shirts and managed to not tie dye the floor or us. There were crafts throughout the week and we learned drill, marching and the how to open and close the grange. The host committee set up a group tour to the PINE STUMP FARMS where they learned about what it takes to run a self sustaining farm. They even got to taste homemade goat cheese (well some of them did). Friday was a fun day with everyone showing off their Red Tennis shoes and got rewarded with a fantastic ice cream social. This was also supplied, gathered and manned by the host committee. Enough thanks cannot be said for small but mighty host committee!! Especially Brittney Oliver and Jackie Hunt!

The Juniors opened the session Friday and got to show off their skills and ability to learn a march in 2 days. They had a blast singing and marching their way to the stations. For the Lecturer program a few youth were able to show their talents to the convention. Jacob Lyle played some songs on his harpsichord, Kendra Parker did some amazing cartwheels, Addison Bowen wowed us with her gymnastic floor routine and Mason Bowen with the help of the backup beavers sang his beaver song. Way to go Juniors!

**Award winners for the State Junior Grange contest:**

**Community Service:**

1st-Humptulips, 2nd-Camp Morehead, 3rd-Camp Mayfield, 4th – East Hill

**Grange Display Booth:**

1st- East Hill, 2nd-Fargher Lake, 3rd- Camp Moorehead

**State Membership Building Award:**

Fargher Lake

**Camp Boards:**

1st- Mayfield, 2nd- East Hill, 3rd- Cornet Bay

**Crafts:**

- Group 1: 7 and under
  - 1st Mason Bowen 2nd Emalee Moore 3rd Charlie Bowen
- Group 2: 7-10 years old
  - 1st Brady Bowen 2nd- Ashtyn Mitchell 3rd- Alex Urrego
- Group 3: 10-14
  - 1st- Holly Timberman 2nd- Annabelle Parker
  - 3rd- Lauren Rohde
- Group 4: Group display
  - Columbia Valley Junior Grange
- Group 5: Special Needs
  - Jacob Lyle

The **Spunk Award** is given to the male and female Junior Granger that during the week went above and beyond what was expected of them. This year the Spunk award went to Holly Timberman and Jethro Walton.

The **Junior Granger of the Year** is so hard to give because we have so many juniors that are amazing. This young man has shown great growth this year and taking on offices that in past did not feel he was able but this year he took them on and excelled. He participates in activities with a smile and worked easily with the younger juniors to help them succeed. When asked "why you do like Junior Grange?" he stated "I like what it does for all the kids. It helps everybody." His references called him, "a great and trustworthy young man".

Congratulations to the 2019 Junior Granger of the Year – Jacob Lyle.

Here's to a wonderful Washington Grange State Convention!! Thank you to all your support!

### Juniors Have Fun At Convention





# Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

## Grange Youth Group Elects New Officers

The Washington State Grange Youth Group began their convention by electing new officers. Morgan Browning of Mossyrock Grange was elected to serve as Master for the coming year.

In addition to Browning, the other officers include: Overseer – Lori Ogden, Sunnyside Grange; Lecturer – Abby Hegney, McIntosh Grange; Steward – Brady Lierman, Horseshoe Grange; Assistant Steward – Adam Lierman, Horseshoe Grange; Lady Assistant Steward – Rosa Salazar, Meridian Grange; Chaplain – Sofia Ogden, Sunnyside Grange; Treasurer – Keynan Moore, Meridian Grange; Secretary – Skylar Zaborac, Humptulips Grange; Gatekeeper – Dylan Pezoldt, Bryant Grange; Ceres – Naomi Lierman, Horseshoe Grange; Pomona – Isabelle Lierman, Horseshoe Grange; Flora – Alexis Kudsk, Haynie Grange; and Executive Committee – AJ Timberman (East Hill Grange), Braven Headley (Sequim Prairie Grange), and Hanna Ogle (Williams Valley Grange).

The state youth officers are available to speak at Granges and Grange events across the state. Please contact any State Youth Team member to schedule them into your Grange hall.



## 2019 Youth Department Convention Winners

Thank you to all who worked to support the youth department at this year's state session. Your State Youth Team (Rick & Terry Ferguson, Heather Ferguson, Jonathan Pittman, Morgan Browning, and Leah Bardal) did a great job of planning and conducting this year's youth activities.

The youth group wants to thank all of the Granges that supported our Keep Washington Warm project this year. We collected over 1100 items at the convention. We sorted the wide variety of hats, gloves, mittens, socks, and scarves and distributed them throughout the state. We will continue this project in 2020. Start making those hats now and bring them to the convention in Walla Walla.

Youth awards at the convention were presented as follows:

**2019 State Grange Youth Ambassador** – Haynie #169

**Spirit of Youth Award** – Lisa Bowen, McIntosh #1001

**Mentoring Award** – Jacob Gwin, Humptulips #730

**Youth Community Service Award** – Morgan Browning, Mossyrock #355

**Public Speaking – Prepared Speeches**  
First Place, ages 20-34 – Nick Oliver, Collins #893  
First Place, age 35 and above – Heather Ferguson, Waitsburg #2  
Second Place, age 35 and above – Ann Fackenthall, Gardenspot #278

**Impromptu Speaking, Ages 14-19**  
First Place – Rosa Salazar, East Hill #786  
Second Place – Sofia Ogden, Sunnyside #129  
Third Place – Morgan Browning, Mossyrock #355

**Impromptu Speaking, Ages 20-34**  
First Place – Nick Oliver, Collins #893

**Impromptu Speaking, Ages 35 +**  
First Place – Marvin Oliver, Collins #893  
Second Place - Heather Ferguson, Waitsburg #1  
Third Place – Ann Fackenthall, Gardenspot #278

**Sign-a-Song**  
Individual, First Place – Morgan Browning, Mossyrock #355

**Pizzazz Award**  
Morgan Browning, Mossyrock #355  
Dylan Pezoldt, Bryant #791

## 2019 Convention Juniors



## Juniors Impress At The Convention





# Convention Memories





# National Grange News

## View From The Hill - July 2019 Wrap Up

**By Burton Eller**  
**National Grange**  
**Legislative Director**

**Agriculture and Food**

**Wall Street Leaving Farm Sector**

When the housing and real estate crash occurred ten years ago, Wall Street banks went hunting for new ways to expand loan business beyond the troubled mortgage sector. They found those new opportunities in the rural Midwest and piled into the agriculture sector. It was easy to lend to farmers who had plenty of income and collateral as commodity and land prices surged. Now, as farm income falls, the U.S.-China trade war intensifies, and farm debt rises to \$427 billion this year, Wall Street players are headed for the exits. Chapter 12 federal court filings, a type of bankruptcy protection largely created for small farmers a few years ago, increased from 361 filings in 2014 to 498 in 2018.

**Pathway for Hemp Hits Regulatory Bump**

The effort to implement the legalization of industrial hemp authorized by the 2018 Farm Bill is complex. The USDA is working on crop insurance, the Food and Drug Administration is trying to determine health risks to humans and animals of hemp-derived cannabidiol (CBD) and the EPA is looking for research on crop protection chemicals that are safe to use on hemp. The agencies are scrambling to publish regulations this fall.

**Rewrite of Contract Grower Rule Expected**

For many years, producers who grew animals (mainly broiler chickens) on contract for meat processors have accused those companies of unfair preferential treatment among growers. They have become more vocal that their relationship with the integrator - the company providing the chicks, feed and veterinary care to contract growers - has become more and more strained. Growers feel pressured into costly repairs and upkeep while fearing retaliation (sudden cancellation of contracts) for speaking out publically. Several Farm Bills directed the USDA to propose enforcement criteria to address such concerns but annual appropriations riders prevented funding to be used for their development. USDA recently announced it intends to publish proposed regulations later this summer to specifically address the issue of undue preference.

**Farm Prices to Suffer as Increasing Productivity Outpaces Demand**

According to the United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), global demand for agricultural products will not keep up with agriculture's productivity growth over the next decade. This will cause inflation-adjusted prices of the major commodities to remain at or below their current levels. Yield improvements and higher production intensity are being driven by technological innovation which will result in higher output even as agricultural land use remains nearly constant.

**Democratic Presidential Hopefuls on Rural Issues**

It's still early, but here's what we know about candidates' support so far: Biden wants to invest in climate-friendly farming, strengthen antitrust enforcement, grow the bioeconomy, invest in clean energy, support deployment of methane digesters, invest in rural broadband, expand the Conservation Stewardship Program, give persistent poverty counties more federal funding, protect and build upon the Affordable Care Act, "decarbonize" the food and agriculture sector, and is endorsing the Green New Deal. Sanders endorses the Green New Deal, and wants to address climate change, transition to regenerative family farming practices, and transition to more sustainable management for livestock systems. Warren wants to invest \$2 trillion over the next 10 years in green research, manufacturing, and exporting that links American innovation directly to American jobs, and helping achieve the ambitious targets of the Green New Deal. She supports family farms, likes country-of-origin labeling on food products and is committed to breaking up agribusiness monopolies. Harris wants to forge a Green New Deal to tackle the climate crisis, build a clean economy that creates good-paying jobs for the future, and confront environmental injustice head on. Klobuchar vows to get the United States back into the Paris climate change accord and wants rural housing reform. Buttigieg wants to implement a Green New Deal with all available tools including a carbon tax-and-dividend for Americans, and major direct investment to build a 100% clean energy society. O'Rourke wants a 10-year

\$5 trillion climate change investment, allow farmers and ranchers to profit from capturing greenhouse gasses, and have government procurement programs create a new "buy clean" program. Booker is a vegan who is critical of concentrated animal feeding operations and committed to addressing climate change with an eye on vulnerable communities.

**Ag Workforce/ Immigration**

**Changes Proposed to the H-2A Farmworker Visa Program**

The Labor Department is proposing to allow more workers, overhaul wage requirements and streamline the H-2A application certification process in a 489-page notice released in mid-July. Grower groups and worker advocacy organizations are pouring through the proposed rulemaking document to offer expert comment to the DOL. Farmers and ranchers are generally pleased so far with the proposed changes. Demand for certified H-2A applicants has increased sharply year-over-year with a 21 percent increase from fiscal 2017 to fiscal 2018 as an example. For several years the National Grange has asked the Department of Labor to revise and streamline H-2A regulations and will work to finalize a much-improved rule.

**Mexico's Migration Crackdown**

The number of people taken into custody along the U.S. southern border fell 28 percent in June, a drop U.S. authorities say reflects the early impact of Mexico's crackdown on Central American migration. In May, President Trump agreed to withhold additional tariffs on Mexico and Mexican President Obrador agreed to dramatically increase enforcement efforts on the Mexican side of the border.

**Health Care**

**Senate Urged to Keep Part D Intact**

The National Grange along with 28 additional groups with a focus on senior citizen health, urged the Senate Finance Committee to reconsider many of their plans to restructure the Medicare Part D program. The groups raised concerns that the Committee's proposed changes to Part D have been discussed without meaningful stakeholder input and reportedly lacks significant reforms to address seniors' out-of-pocket cost

sharing. The Committee should first address high senior out-of-pocket costs in any reform proposal, not just government savings. The National Grange had previously sent the Committee a cautionary statement that adding an inflation rebate penalty to Part D could arbitrarily target innovative medicines and may hamper patients' access to new and innovative treatments.

**"Cadillac Tax" Repeal**

The National Grange has joined numerous patient advocacy groups on letters to both the House and Senate urging repeal of the so-called "Cadillac Tax." This is a 40% tax on higher cost employer-provided health care benefit plans. This tax is especially onerous for middle income families and small businesses that already struggle to offer health care coverage to their employees. Employer-provided coverage is the backbone of our health care system and the primary source of coverage for the majority of Americans.

**Telecommunications**

**Support for Airwaves Act**

The National Grange has issued a statement strongly supporting the reintroduced bipartisan Airwaves Act in the Senate. The Act would make spectrum available for auction to be used to relieve network congestion and support 5G implementation. It includes the stipulation that 10% of the proceeds be used specifically for rural broadband infrastructure build-out.

**Lifeline Service Support in New York**

Roger Halbert, Secretary of the New York State Grange, recently represented the National Grange to support the Lifeline program before the State of New York Public Service Commission. Several wireless providers have petitioned the Commission to be allowed to participate in New York's Targeted Accessibility Fund to deliver additional access to the Lifeline Program. Lifeline offers discounted phone and broadband service to elderly, disabled, shut-in, low-income citizens and to veterans.

**Trade**

**Parameters of a U.S.-China Trade Deal**

At the late June G-20 leaders summit when President Trump and China's President Xi Jinping shook hands, extended olive branches and agreed to reopen

trade talks, they apparently had a mutual understanding. The trade war would come down to the U.S. easing up on Huawei and China buying agricultural products. President Trump has since agreed to give timely licensing decisions to allow several tech companies to sell to Chinese telecom giant Huawei. Huawei was blacklisted in May effectively stopping its ability to buy U.S.-made chips. Chinese companies have since reached out to U.S. exporters to inquire about pricing and also filed applications to remove tariffs on agriculture goods. These goodwill gestures seem likely to pave the way for in-person meetings soon. However, on Capitol Hill Huawei is viewed as a threat to national security so stay tuned for further developments.

**Japan Trade Promising**

Talks are set to resume on a free trade agreement with Japan August 1 in Washington. Japanese Economy Minister Motegi will lead a visiting delegation for meetings with U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer. U.S. ag producers have been pushing for a free trade agreement with Japan since President Trump pulled out of the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade pact. Japan is America's fourth largest ag market and a major buyer of beef, pork, dairy, wheat, wine, fruits, vegetables and other commodities.

**Lobby at Home in August**

Congress will be on recess August 2-September 9. That means that your senators and representative will be spending at least some time at home. Remember the famous quote from legendary House Speaker Tip O'Neill who often proclaimed, "All politics is local." Survey after survey of congressmen and congressional staff say by far the most effective way to get your message to Washington is your action right from home. Go to local town hall meetings, listening sessions, fairs, rallies, celebrations, community events and other opportunities to come face-to-face with your member of Congress or their staff. Be courteous and respectful but direct and to the point as you summarize your issues. Make sure you have factual information and know both sides of the argument. Give the person you are talking to your contact information and ask for follow-up.



# Grange Connection

## Goldendale Grange Serves Dinner to Ag. Teachers

It was a privilege for Goldendale Grange #49 to provide dinner for 21 Agriculture Science Teachers attending a CASE – FSS summer curriculum development seminar at Goldendale High School. Agriculture Teachers attending the workshop traveled to Goldendale from Washington, Oregon, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New York and Florida. CASE – FSS stands for; Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education – Food Science and Safety. Goldendale Ag Instructor, Joshua Krieg recently returned from teaching a CASE -FSS work shop at the FFA Enrichment Center, in Ankey, Iowa. Mr. Krieg is co-teaching in Goldendale with a guest teacher, Mrs. Bush.



Randi and Josh Krieg have been Ag Science instructors in Goldendale for four years. They were selected as Washington State Grange Outstanding Teachers of the Year in 2018. The Krieg's local agriculture program was selected by WAAE as the 2019 Washington State Outstanding Middle/Secondary Program of the year from over 200

programs that applied. Goldendale Grange also had the privilege of serving dinner to the Goldendale FFA Chapter at their annual awards banquet June 4thl. The Grange provided the Hall and served dinner to 150 FFA students and parents. It is truly a pleasure to work with this outstanding program.

## Black Lake Grangers Raise Funds For Local Grocery

When a teenage driver lost control of his car while speeding and slammed into the front of the Black Lake Grocery, the store received extensive damage and was partially moved off its foundation. The owners of the store have been dealing with insurance companies and contractors since early April. They were told it might be months before work could begin on the store as it was a busy time of the year for contractors. This information was not acceptable to members of the Black Lake Grange. Susie Fair, wife of Master Mike Fair, and Chrissie Stratton immediately announced their intent to hold a spaghetti feed at the Grange for the Black Lake Grocery.

The Black Lake Grocery holds a special meaning for the community and for Susie it holds many good, positive memories as a direct link to her parents, Ted and Glenna Brown. In the 1960's, Ted and Glenna were the owners of the store and longtime members of the Black Lake Grange. Susie recalled Ted building the current store after the original building was torn down. As a teenager, Susie worked in the store and has many good memories of the store being a mainstay in the community. The current owner, Jong Park, took over the store when his father passed away about 10 years ago and the store is still a mainstay in the community. People have bought groceries and gas and



fished off the dock for several years. When the crash occurred, The Olympian newspaper ran the story and KIRO News reported it on TV interviewing people who frequented the store. The reporter from KIRO News did a follow up on the story. He contacted Master Mike Fair about the Grange's desire to help the store owner. He interviewed Mike at the Grange and Mike stated the Grange would help the owner get the store open.

The spaghetti feed was held on May 18 and was very successful with \$4,050 being raised. People enjoyed a good spaghetti dinner listening to two bands, buying delicious baked goods auctioned off by Thurston County Pomona Master Rick Nelson and door prizes. Many people stopped by just to make a donation. One of the people donating told Susie that his uncle owned the store over 50 years ago.

Grange members and their families worked hard to make the spaghetti feed a success. Franz Bread and Harbor Wholesale and a professional fancy cupcake maker in Lewis County were very generous and helpful. Also, many Pomona members donated delicious homemade desserts to be auctioned off. The spaghetti feed was a great success due to all of us coming together in a common cause--to help a neighbor in need. The Grange presented a check for \$4,050 at their May 23 meeting to Mr. Park. Being able to help a neighbor in the community was a very rewarding experience.



## Sammamish Valley Grange Brings Awareness to Bees



Sammamish Valley Grange #286 Master, Tom Quigley, sported these bee antennae quite well recently at the Woodinville Farmers Market. With additional partners, the Grange's activism is bringing awareness to the importance and impact of bees and pollinators in our local food system. The BEEvesting program has increased engagement in the community through public library displays, attendance at events, and initiated numerous conversations with local businesses, non-profits and public officials.

## Stranger Creek Grange Hosts Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social



Stranger Creek Grange #374 of Stevens County Washington hosted their first annual old fashioned ice cream social on June 23, 2019. The community was invited to enjoy a dish of ice cream while wandering through displays of the past. Members brought items for display from the turn of the 20th century through the 1940s. Kitchen items, clothing, books and tools were some of the items shown. The children had a chance to help churn butter and make applesauce. It was a fun event enjoyed by all.



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