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Riverside Valley Grange Celebrates Ribbon Cutting On New Hall

Following several years of work, Riverside Valley Grange #1047 held a ribbon cutting ceremony for their new hall on May 13, 2019.

The ceremony followed several years of negotiation between the Grange and Murrey's Disposal Company. In an exchange of property, the disposal company received the Grange's former property and the former Grange hall.

The Grange received a new Grange hall, land with paved parking area and landscaping.

Grange members were heavily involved with the negotiations and the design of the new hall. The State Grange Executive Committee was kept apprised of the negotiations and progress being made. Final approval of the property exchanges was

made at the January meeting of the executive committee.

Riverside Valley Grange members were joined by the members of several neighboring Pierce County Grange members for the ribbon cutting ceremony. Representatives of Murrey's Disposal Company also joined in the festivities.

A short program, presided over by Pierce County

Pomona Master Jarrod Gardner, followed the ribbon cutting. Speakers included State Master Tom Gwin, State Overseer Karen Jackson, and State Executive Committeeman David Bryant, along with Riverside Valley Grange Master Ken Cockle.

The members of Riverside Valley Grange moved their belongings into the new hall prior to the ribbon cutting.

The Grange has purchased window blinds and other equipment for their new hall, as well. Congratulations to the members of Riverside Valley Grange on their new acquisition. We wish you the best of your work for the betterment of your community.

Riverside Valley Grange is located just outside of the City of Fife in Pierce County.

June 2019 issue deadline – May 15th
Submissions can be sent to grangenews@wa-grange.org

INSIDE: Convention Information



The 130th Annual Washington State Grange Convention will be held JUNE 26 - 29, 2019 at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds. Be sure to check out pages 4 and 5 for all of the information you need to know leading up to the Convention.

Mark Your Calendars

Upcoming State Grange Events

- MAY 5**Convention Committee Preference Form (for delegates) due to State Office
- MAY 25**Resolutions (for consideration at this year's convention) Due to the State Office
- JUNE 1**Community Service Reports Due to State Community Service Director
- JUNE 1**Richard Kimball Campship Applications due to the State Office
- JUNE 19**State Grange Executive Committee Meeting
- JUNE 23-28**Wooten Junior Grange Camp
- JUNE 26-29**130th Annual Session of the Washington State Grange at Okanogan County Fairgrounds
- JULY 5**Deadline for Ordering Tickets for the Seattle Mariners Game
- JULY 7-12**Camp David Junior Grange Camp – Session 1
- JULY 14-20**Morehead Junior Grange Camp
- JULY 15**Secretary Second Quarter Reports Due to State Office
- JULY 21-27**Camp NEWA Junior Grange Camp
- JULY 21-27**Mayfield Junior Grange Camp
- JULY 25**Grange Day with the Seattle Mariners (vs. Detroit Tigers)
- AUGUST 4-9**Cornet Bay Junior Grange Camp
- AUGUST 9-11**Western Regional Grange Leaders and Youth Conference in Montana
- NOVEMBER 5-9**152nd Annual National Grange Convention in Bloomington, Minnesota

Eye On Membership

It Takes An Active Grange To Grow A Grange

By Cecelia & John Hamilton
Membership Directors

May is one of the busiest months of the year for us Grangers. Plans for our State Convention in Okanogan are underway as well as yearly spring planting is now in full speed all across our beautiful state. It is the time of year to prepare our soil and gardens as well as to prepare for the work of our State Grange at our June Convention.

One area of our work as a State Grange is the writing of our resolutions. These resolutions begin with an idea or thought that we feel is a topic worthy of adaptation or change. These thoughts initially take shape as a draft, then are finalized and approved by our individual Granges in order to be sent on to state headquarters to be processed and sent on to committee. For many of us who choose to plant a garden we must begin with our soil being cleared and tilled, fertilized and carefully planted in hopes of producing a healthy bounty. Both the writing of

resolutions and preparing of our gardens require careful thought, research, dedication and hard work. Both begin with a desire to produce a successful outcome or result. As Grangers we all have the ability to work together to accomplish great things. Together we make a difference for the good of our communities, state and nation. Today we are not only the voice of rural America it is also vital that we include our larger cities and suburbs as we seek to make a difference. We have witnessed the birth of urban gardens and cooperatives which produce food for thousands within a community. Our urban neighborhoods have many of the same needs and issues as rural residents and businesses. Yes, each populated area has individual and unique challenges but as a community Grange we can and must serve both. As we research for our resolutions remember to consider all possibilities of outcome in our end results and how all will be affected by them. The deadline for submission of resolutions to State Grange is May

25th.

With school year coming to an end there is bound to be ample time for fun as the weather brings sunshine and possible outdoor travels. We do hope your spring will also include a variety of activities within your grange to promote your Grange membership. Remember it takes an active Grange to grow a Grange, and also as you plan these activities remember to include all ages in your events.

We look forward to seeing many of you at Convention and invite you all to stop by our Membership table and display for a visit. Be sure to enter our Membership drawing while visiting for your chance at winning a special basket filled with many membership tools as well as surprise items! We look forward to seeing many of you also at the Celebration Banquet on Thursday evening where many Granges will receive recognition for their hard work in growing their Granges and also have the opportunity to win VISA Cash Cards for membership growth! See you in Okanogan!



Cecelia Hamilton



John Hamilton

Community Service

Community Service: Things To Remember

By Yvonne Knuth
Community Service Director

Maybe spring has come! I hope you are about done with your report so that you can spend time in the yard. Time is closing in to get your report or report and notebook in. It is just a few weeks away. Things to REMEMBER-

NO scrapbooking. Cover is to have name and number of Grange

Class -check to see how many members you have as of Dec. 31,2018

Dates of book Jan 1-Dec.31, 2018 or April 15-May 31, 2019. This may be the last year for dates of book. Books received after June 2 will be counted but not judge as we will be starting to judge since convention is three weeks away and for me to get paper work into National.

I hope not to many of you had questions as my phone was out. It is fixed now. REMEMBER hours are important because I have to send them to National.

Also bring your: personal hygiene products, Keep Washington Warm items, and Pop Tabs. Leave them at community service table.




Yvonne Knuth

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President's Message

Grange Heroes Prepare For A Busy Summer Of Grange Activities

By Tom Gwin
State Grange
Master/President

The warmer days of April remind us that summer is fast approaching. Many of us have been on the move forward through the spring and we now have the opportunity to demonstrate how we, as Grange Heroes, will keep busy in the upcoming months.

The next opportunity will be the 130th Annual Washington State Grange Convention, which will be held at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds in Okanogan on June 26-29. Housing and meal information is printed in this issue of The Grange News. In the next issue, you will find a full convention schedule and information on speakers and workshops during the convention. If you haven't booked your hotel room yet, please do so immediately as our dates are conflicting with the other events in the Okanogan and Omak areas on that weekend.

Just prior to our convention, some of you in the Vancouver and suburban Portland area may want to visit the Oregon State Grange Convention, which will be held at the Molalla High School in nearby Molalla, OR. Their convention begins on June 22 with an agricultural tour, the exemplification of the first four degrees, and their talent show that evening. The official opening of their convention will be on the morning of Sunday, June 23, followed by business sessions. The fifth and sixth degrees will be held that evening. Their convention will continue through Thursday, June 27

Late June will also see the first of multiple Junior Grange camps across the state. The Junior Grange Camping Program is designed to teach Grange values and philosophies,

while at the same time enjoying traditional camping activities. Each of the camps is operated by a board of directors, who selects the camp staff and plans the camp activities. Each of the camps is chartered as a Junior Grange, thus those who attend will become Junior Grange members. Camps are held during six different weeks, beginning in late June and going until mid-August. For a complete list of dates

Take each opportunity and make the most of it as we work to invite our friends and neighbors to join us and learn how Grangers are heroes in each of our hometowns across this great nation!

-- Tom Gwin

and registration information, please refer to the State Grange website, www.wa-grange.org. Once you are on the website, click under "departments" and then scroll down to "junior camp".

You also have an opportunity to join us at the Grange Day with the Seattle Mariners on July 25. You are invited to join us at the baseball game as the Seattle Mariners take on the Detroit Tigers. Our block of seats will be in Section 137 (between third base and home plate). Tickets are just \$30. Order forms are in this newspaper. Be sure to send your order in by July 5.

County and area fairs will begin in mid-July and last into October. Many Granges will participate in the fairs with their elaborate Grange displays. If you haven't started your fair

design, now is the time to start the first sketches of your display for this year. Some of you will choose to create an "agricultural produce" display, while others will prefer to create a "project" display. Whichever you choose, I encourage you to take the time to design and execute a well-planned booth this year. Your work should be designed to give an accurate portrayal of our organization and the work we do to improve our communities and agriculture as a whole. Take the extra moment as you create your display to see that it portrays a positive image of our organization.

While some Granges are preparing displays, others will be operating food concessions at a fair. Once again, take the time to see that food is prepared properly and all health guidelines are met. Granges have a strong reputation for quality foods. For those without food concessions, I ask that you support your brothers and sisters by patronizing their food concessions.

In August, the Montana State Grange will host the Western Regional Grange Youth and Leaders Conference on August 9-11 at the Echo Valley Campgrounds, near Elliston, MT. Registration material will soon be available and will be printed in next month's newspaper.

In addition to the above activities, many Granges will be holding picnics, barbecues, open houses, and celebrations in their own communities. Take each opportunity and make the most of it as we work to invite our friends and neighbors to join us and learn how Grangers are heroes in each of our hometowns across this great nation!



Tom Gwin

Legislative

Legislative Update: It's All Over But The Budget, Mostly.



Heather Hansen

By Heather Hansen
Legislative Lobbyist

It's all over but the budget, mostly. The legislature has passed all cutoff dates. For the most part, bills are either passed or dead. But this process is full of exceptions, so some dead bills will come back to life and a few live bills will fail to make it past the Governor's desk.

The House and Senate have each passed three budgets – operating, capital and transportation. There are many differences between the two sides, some are large, some are small. For example, the Senate Capital budget includes \$2 million for health and safety grants for fairgrounds. The House budget does not. The House Capital budget includes \$1.2 million for fencing to keep elk out of farm crops. The Senate budget does not. Before the legislative session can adjourn, both sides must agree on all three budgets. The last constitutional day of this legislative session is April 28. If the budget has not been finalized by then, a special session may be called.

New bills are still being introduced. Most of them are new taxes. One of the most recently introduced bills is SB 6017. It was sponsored by eight Democratic Senators, most of them fairly new to the legislature. The bill would impose an additional excise tax on any business that pays an employee more than one million dollars. If an employee makes more than \$10 million dollars, the tax rate would be 10%. According to the prime sponsor, Sen. Joe Nguyen, it is "a tax on wealth inequality." In the private sector, many highly paid employees get much of their compensation in stock options, so if the bill were to pass, the number of employees covered may be fewer than expected. Ironically, there are five public employees who make more than one million dollars per year. They are the University of Washington football coach who makes nearly \$5 million per year, the WSU football coach, the WSU basketball coach, the UW basketball coach, and the UW chief investment officer. Since the state does not tax itself, their salaries would not be included.

You may wonder why I'm writing about this since it is very unlikely that any Grange

members fall into this category. In both the House and Senate, there have been new bills introduced that are being referred to as Robin Hood bills. They take from the rich and give to the poor. This may sound appealing to some, but many farmers appear to be "rich" on paper because they own land. And imposing new taxes on highly paid employees has the potential to create unintended consequences. Some of the most innovative companies may choose not to come to Washington if we enact such taxes.

Washington's economy has been booming for several years, especially in the Puget sound region. Eventually, there will be a downturn. State spending grew \$11 billion during the past four years. State lawmakers have taken advantage of the commensurate growth in tax revenues to invest in education and other important programs. But now the policy think tanks are getting anxious as the legislature continues to consider more spending rather than saving for a rainy day.

Hunter Orange: State law requires hunters to wear fluorescent orange clothing to ensure they are visible to others. ESSB 5148 passed the legislature unanimously. It would allow hunters to wear either fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink clothing.

Overweight Farm Trucks: SSB 5883 would allow vehicles carrying farm products to exceed total gross weight limits on occasion. Recognizing that it is difficult to weigh in the field, this bill would allow each driver to exceed total gross weight limits by two thousand pounds twice a year.

Wolves: HB 2097 sponsored by Rep. Joel Kretz requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to maintain sufficient staff resources in Ferry and Stevens counties for ongoing response to conflicts between gray wolves and livestock, and for continued implementation of proactive nonlethal deterrents. It also directs the department to develop and implement conflict mitigation guidelines for each wolf recovery region. Cattle producers, tribes, and conservation groups all supported the bill. The Center for Biological Diversity opposed it.

By-Laws

Crescent Grange #1123 announces a vote to change their By-Laws, causing the business meeting to be at 6pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month, and adopting the membership category "Family Membership". This vote will occur at their business meeting 7pm on May 1, 2019.

Session Watch 2019



Stay informed about what is happening in the State Legislature. Send us your email at grange@wa-grange.org to receive our weekly Session Watch report. You can also find each weeks Session Watch on our website under the Legislative Department page at:

www.wa-grange.com/LegislativeSession.aspx

Convention Info

JUNE 26 - 29, 2019

130th Annual Washington State Grange Convention at the
Okanogan County Fairgrounds, 175 Rodeo Trail, Okanogan, WA 98840

Washington State Grange
TENTATIVE
2019 Convention Schedule

WEDNESDAY	8:00-5:00pm	Registration
	8:00-11:00	Lecturer and CFL contest entry check in
	8:30-10:00	Workshops
	10:00	Delegate Orientation
	11:15-12:00	Workshops
	11:30	Committee Chair’s Meeting
	12:00-2:00	Committee Meetings Group A
	12:00-4:00	Committee Meetings Group B
	2:00-4:00	Committee Meetings Group C
	3:45-4:30	Workshops
	6:00	6th Degree Opening, credentials report and adoption of program
		Welcome from host area
		Close Session in the 4th degree
THURSDAY	7:30	Memorial
	7:30-12:00	Registration
	7:00	Family Living Breakfast
	8:30	Open, Credential Report, Master’s address, Committee Reports, Cooperative Reports
	12:00	Session Recesses - Lunch
	1:00	Youth Tour
	1:30	Session will reopen, approve minutes, Committee Reports
	5:00	Session close in the 4th degree
	5:05	Group Convention Photo
	5:30	Celebration Banquet – Membership/Scholarship Awards & State Grange Auction
FRIDAY	8:00	Open Session, Final Credential Report, Elections, Committee Reports
	12:00	Session Recesses – Lunch/Ice Cream Social - RED TENNIS SHOE DAY!!!
	1:30	Junior Program – Junior Awards
	3:45	Session will reopen, approve minutes, Committee Reports
	5:00	Close Session in the 4th Degree
	5:30	Talent Practice – closed to public
	8:00	Talent Show
SATURDAY	8:00	Open Session by Youth – Youth Awards
	9:00	Committee Reports, Elections
	11:00	Quilts of Valor Presentation
	11:30	Granger of the Year
	12:00	Session Recesses - Lunch
	1:00	5th Degree
	1:30	State Officer/Rose Drill Photos
	1:45	6th Degree
	3:30	Installation of Officer’s
	5:00	Adjourn

Grange Convention
Meals Scheduled

Daily lunches will be available at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds each day, Tuesday through Saturday. The cost will be \$10 per person. You may order lunch tickets on the order form below.

Here is the daily lunch menu:

Tuesday June 25th- Cooks Choice: Sandwich, Wrap, Soup, Salad, Cookie & Water will be offered from 11:30 to 2:00

Wednesday June 26th - Choice of Chicken Caesar Wrap or Honey Ham & Cheddar Sandwich on our Fresh Made Bread, Choice of Tomato Basil & Roasted Red Pepper with Feta Cheese Soup or Green Salad, Cookie & Bottled Water

Thursday June 27th - Choice of Philly Steak Wrap or Smoked Turkey & Swiss Sandwich on our Fresh Made Bread, Choice of Ham & Potato Soup or Green Salad, Cookie & Bottled Water

Friday June 28th - Choice of South of the Border Wrap or Roast Beef & Provolone Sandwich on our Fresh Made Bread, Choice of Clam Chowder or Green Salad, Cookie & Bottled Water

Saturday June 29th - Choice of BBQ Pork Wrap or Chicken Salad Sandwich on our Fresh Made Bread, Herb Chicken Noodle Soup or Green Salad, Cookie & Bottled Water

NOTE: We will also offer a vegetarian sandwich and a gluten free wrap each day.

The following group meals have been scheduled for the convention:

- Family Living Breakfast: to be held Thursday, June 27 at 7 a.m. at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds. The cost is \$18 per person. This will include biscuits & gravy, eggs, ham, potatoes, fruit & muffins.
- Celebration Banquet: to be held Thursday, June 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds. The cost is \$25 per person. This will be a picnic style with a choice of prime rib or chicken.

Additional meal functions, such as the Has Beens Lunch and the GROW Club Dinner will be scheduled at a later date.

2019 GRANGE CONVENTION MEAL ORDER FORM

Name

Grange Name

E-mail

Telephone

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TUESDAY, JUNE 25

Lunch @ \$10 each = \$(Sandwich/Soup or Sandwich/Salad)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

Lunch @ \$10 each = \$(Sandwich/Soup or Sandwich/Salad)

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

Family Living Breakfast @ \$18 each = \$

Lunch @ \$10 each = \$(Sandwich/Soup or Sandwich/Salad)

Celebration Banquet @ \$25 each = \$

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

Lunch @ \$10 each = \$(Sandwich/Soup or Sandwich/Salad)

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

Lunch @ \$10 each = \$(Sandwich/Soup or Sandwich/Salad)

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$

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Tickets will be packaged and may be picked up at the registration desk during the convention. Ticket orders must be received by June 1st. Extra tickets, if available, may be purchased at the convention.

Make checks payable to: North Central Convention District

Mail tickets/order form to:
Mary Hunt, 1804 RD 14 NE, Coulee City, WA 99115

PLEASE NOTE:
Convention Schedule is TENTATIVE and subject to change

Convention Info

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Resolutions For Consideration At The 2019 Washington State Grange Convention

Resolutions to be considered at this year’s Washington State Grange Convention must be received at the State Grange Office no later than May 25. Thus far, 25 resolutions have been received and have been assigned to committees. This year’s resolution topics include:

RES. #	TITLE	SPONSORING GRANGE	COMMITTEE REFERRAL
1	Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act	Manor #1101	National Legislative
2	Action to be Taken on Passed Resolutions	Clark Co. Pomona #1	Grange Activities
3	End Red Light Camera Programs	Pierce Co. Pomona #16	State Legislative
4	Public Health & Safety Change to Grange Legislative Handbook	Issaquah Valley #581	Health Care & Safety
5	Associate Members Allowed to Attend Meetings	Issaquah Valley #581	Grange Law
6	Vaccines	Whitman Co. Pomona #3	Health Care & Safety
7	Washington State Grange Endorsements	Clark Co. Pomona #1	Grange Activities
8	Elimination of the Office of WA State Lieutenant Governor	Humptulips #730	State Legislative
9	Lifetime Membership	Selah Heights #608	Grange Law
10	Senior Membership	Selah Heights #608	Grange Law
11	Affiliate Membership	Selah Heights #608	Grange Law
12	Sales of Grange Property	Humptulips #730	Grange Law
13	Year-Round Daylight Savings Time in Washington State	Humptulips #730	National Legislative
14	Federal Government Shutdowns	Humptulips #730	National Legislative
15	Breaching the Four Dame on the Snake River in Eastern WA	Steele Lake Highline #805	Conservation & Ecology
16	Famer's Innovations Around Climate Change	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	Conservation & Ecology
17	Ban Single Use Plastic Bags in WA State	Clark Co. Pomona #1	Conservation & Ecology
18	Electoral College in WA State	St. Andrews #832	State Legislative
19	Power Grid	St. Andrews #832	National Legislative
20	Robo Calls	Whitman Co. Pomona #2	National Legislative
21	Volunteer Stewardship Program	Cowlitz Co. Pomona #7	Agriculture
22	Imitation Milk	Sunnyside #129	Agriculture
23	Garbage Incineration Facilities	Sunnyside #129	State Legislative
24	Changing Daylight Savings Time	Sunnyside #129	National Legislative
25	Restore the Similkameen River	Okanogan Co. Pomona #53	Conservation & Ecology

The above resolutions have been emailed out in draft form. If you wish to receive a copy of the proposed resolutions, please contact the State Grange Office at 360-943-9911.

In addition to these resolutions, the session committee will review the ten standing committee reports, which includes recommended changes to the legislative handbook and additional resolutions as recommended by the standing committees.

WA State Grange 2019 Convention Housing

Motels in the Omak/Okanogan area. Note: ALL motels are within 15 minutes of the convention site. It is recommended to make your reservation immediately as hotels are filling up.

Hotel/Motel	Contact Information	Rates
Quality Inn 1 Apple Way Okanogan	Telephone 877-422-7070 innokanogan@gmail.com www.okanoganinn.com	\$89 + taxes
Rodeway Inn 122 North Main Omak	888-700-6625	From \$49 (10% off for seniors & AAA)
Omak Inn 912 Koala Drive Omak	800-204-4800 omakinnbus@communitynet.org omakinnwa.com	From \$70 + taxes. Text OmakInn to 40518 for discounts & coupons.
Best Western Plus Peppertree Inn 820 Koala Drive Omak	509-422-2088 www.bestwestern.com	Did not provide info. According to Google, rooms from \$104.
12 Tribes Casino/Hotel 28968 Highway 97 Omak	509-422-8500 844-526-8600	\$129 to 149 (\$50 Incidental fee refunded if nothing used.)

2019 State Convention RV Parking

Reserve your RV full hookups (\$30 a night) located adjacent to the main session hall while spaces are available. Hookups with electric and water (\$25 a night) are on the far side of the fairgrounds. Electric connections on the RV lots are 30-amp with almost no 50-amp service. Restrooms and showers are located on the grounds. Please mail your RV reservation form by June 1st to Jonny Pittman, 20547 RD 5.5 SE, Warden WA 98857. Reservations received after June 1st risk not having a space. Please make checks payable to “Central Washington District Grange Convention”.

GRANGE CONVENTION RV PARKING RESERVATION

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street Address _____

City / State / Zip _____

Grange Name _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Date of Arrival _____ # of Nights _____

Please circle your RV hook-up choice: Full Hook up (\$30 a night) Elec. & Water (\$25 a night)

Tent Camping (\$17 a night)

Total amount paid: _____ RV License #: _____ Length of RV: _____

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Mail by May 30th to: Jonny Pittman, 20547 RD 5.5 SE, Warden, WA 98857

Resolution E-Mail Sign-ups

Send us your email at skeller@wa-grange.org to receive the resolutions that have been approved by the state Executive Committee and ready to be presented at the 2019 State Grange Convention in Okanogan, WA. We will begin emailing after the April 2019 Executive Committee Meeting.

!! REMINDER !! DEADLINE: MAY 25

All Resolutions must be received by May 25 at the State Grange Office to be considered at the State Grange Convention. Resolutions must have the original signatures of the sponsoring Grange Master and Secretary and have the Grange seal affixed.



Grange Connection

ADAMS COUNTY

Ralston Grange had a "full plate" at our April meeting. Our program after the meeting featuring Lee Agnew telling us about the 15+ motion clocks he brought out to share with us, plus insight on a number of clocks members shared; was a lot of fun and very interesting. We also celebrated Deloris Allert's 93rd birthday and she shared with us some of her earliest memories. We are so lucky to have Deloris as a member and friend. We covered a lot of ground at the business meeting, including: Donations of \$100 from Don Schwerin and \$500 from the VFW/ American Legion in Ritzville were noted. We are asking our members, in return, to help out the VFW/ Legion Memorial weekend put out and take down flags at the cemetery in Ritzville and also help them fill shifts, if needed, when they serve refreshments at the rest area. *The Grange will be providing/selling breakfast and lunch at the Rabbit Show May 18 at the fairgrounds. The John Wayne Wagon and Trail Riders Assoc. will overnight in Ralston on May 25. Our Grange will sponsor a dinner and auction at our hall that evening. We will need members to provide desserts, work the kitchen, and donate auction items. An ad will be placed in the Journal and on Facebook thanking the 16 local businesses who are Associate members of our organization. Building insurance has gone up 20% this year to \$1800. Alternatives will be looked at. The Easter Egg Hunt was a success with about two dozen kids participating. Grange Camp at Camp Wooten is June 23 to 28 and is for any youth ages 9 to 14. Financial help is available through both the State Grange and locally to meet the \$180 campership fee. Contact Randy Roth for more information. Purchase of a cotton candy machine was approved. Cotton candy will be sold by the Grange at the fair and any other appropriate events throughout the year. Two repair projects are in need of help. Anyone with masonry experience is needed to help repair the flag base at the park. Also needed is help installing a new outdoor carpet on the front steps of the hall.

CLALLAM COUNTY

Crescent Grange welcomed into the Grange family Melissa Corey and family and Marva Jean Judd and her family. Sadly, we lost Emil Person, a 70 year Grange member. After a long, cold and snowy winter on the Olympic Peninsula, the members of Crescent Grange are gearing up for their planned Spring and Summer activities. We began the year's activities with our semi-annual Flea Market and plant sale on April 5 & 6. This has been a tough winter for plants, but Master Emil Moilanen promised there would be plenty for our customers who cherish plants that are home grown in local soil. We host the Memorial Day Program at Crescent Beach on May 27th when we honor our veterans past and present together with those members of the armed forces currently serving at home and in foreign lands. Grangers supply programs, cookies, tea, coffee and hot chocolate. Arrange for the Sea Scouts to do the flag ceremony, arrange the music and

the keynote speaker etc. Clean up day at the Grange Hall – June 5th: bring your gardening tools and join in the fun sprucing up the flower beds, shrubs and grounds. Crescent Grangers take great pride in their Grange Hall and grounds. Camp David: This is where we show off our culinary skills assisting with food preparation for the campers at Camp David Jr. on beautiful Lake Crescent. Cooking for 80 to 100 campers and staff is a challenge and a learning experience, but a fun day and the kids enjoy the dozens and dozens of cookies we bring for dessert. August is a busy, busy month for Crescent Grangers with the Joyce Daze Wild Blackberry Festival and the Clallam County Fair. We are active in all parts of the festival from the breakfast at 7am to the Grand Parade at 1pm and everything in between. For the Fair we set up our booth around the Fair theme. This year it's "Red, White and Moo. It's our 100th too". We have the Agriculture Building watch for all of Saturday. This will keep us busy throughout the summer months. We have September to rest up and then we get into the fall and winter activities.

CLARK COUNTY

Mountain Valley Grange member Gerry Adolfson entered the Baking Contest on April 10 at Fargher Lake with his "Gerry's Apple Crisp Turnovers". He was awarded Best of Show and his entry will be going to State Convention. The American Legion Tum Tum Post 168 Amboy held a 100-Year Anniversary Celebration and invited Grange members to attend. David Johnson and Jerry Johnson were in attendance as members of the American Legion. Georgene Neal also attended. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Mountain Valley Grange #79 for their outstanding service and assistance contributing to the advancement of the American Legion programs and activities. Judy Steigmann reminded everyone of the Arts, Crafts, and Photography contest on April 10th at Barberton Grange, and the Talent Contest on April 28th. Grange members were asked to start thinking about the booth to put in at the Clark County Fair.

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

East Oakville Grange held a successful Easter Egg Hunt for the community on April 20. Eggs were hidden at the Grange Hall and the nearby baseball fields. A boucy house was set up and a spaghetti dinner was served with funds going toward the hall repair fund. Humptulips Grange held their annual fund raising auction on April 6. Proceeds went toward the annual mortgage payment on the Grange Hall. The Grange held a discussion on replacing the gas stoves in the kitchen with electric stoves. As there will need to be major electrical work, the Grange is asking for proposals on the work before making a final decision. The Grange is also working to be a part of the solution to a water issue at the nearby Humptulips store. Jerry Gwin and Jacob Gwin were selected to be the delegates to the State Grange Convention in June. The final bingo events for this season will be on May 4 and May 18, both beginning at 7 p.m. Bingo will go on hiatus until October.

ISLAND COUNTY

Deer Lagoon Grange held an open house in honor of Grange Month on

April 27. The Citizen of the Year for 2019 was awarded to Karen Bishop. The Grange recognized four South Whidbey Military Veterans with Quilts of Valor. Chad Felgar, Advisor to the newly formed Coupeville FFA introduced his officers and discussed the new chapter's progress.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Chimacum Grange will meet on May 8 p.m. The program will be a presentation on Fire Danger and Preparedness. The presenter is Brian Tracer, fire marshal and assistant fire chief for East Jefferson County. He will discuss the danger of a fire like the one that destroyed Paradise, CA and what we can do to prevent fire individually and collectively. The evening will begin with social time and food available at 6:30 p.m. and the presentation will begin at 7 p.m. At the June 12 meeting, the topic will be the 2017 Ag Census Data. Chris Mertz, staff at USDA NASS, will present on the 2017 Ag Census Data and take questions.

KING COUNTY

Cedar Grange has been busy with their Pancake Breakfast which is held on the 3rd Sunday of each month between the hours of 8am - noon. They are in the planning stages to update their outside bulletin board. East Hill Grange held their Easter potluck meeting this month and next month they will be celebrating Mother's Day with the Men providing the meal and program. They have done community service with the Kent Community Catholic Services, Union Gospel Mission, Covington Kiwanis, The USO, and many more charities. We have had a gain in membership this month with 2 members. We will be having a meeting on April 25th to start the planning process of our Booster night on October 19th.

LEWIS COUNTY

Oakview Grange completed a window display for Grange Month. At the May 2 meeting, the program will be on the 2020 U.S. Census program and how to become a census taker. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. The Grange will host a public forum on May 9 presented by the Lewis County Fire Chiefs Association. The topic of the forum is "Protecting your Home Against Wildfire" and will begin at 6:30 pm. The public invited to both programs.

PACIFIC COUNTY

North River Grange is coordinating their Annual North River Road Garage Sale, to be held on May 4 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme of the sale will be "18 Miles of Bargains/North River Road. The Yard Sale Road Less Traveled". The Grange will distribute maps of sales locations along North River Road. The Grange Hall will also be available with table for rent for those wishing to sell their items there. The Grange will have lunch and beverages available.

SPOKANE COUNTY

Central Grange held its Fireman's Appreciation Night on April 20. There were approximately 60-70 attendees including National Grange Lecturer/Fire District #9, Administrator Chris Hamp, State Grange Executive Committeeman Duane Hamp, State Grange Deputy/Spokane County Pomona Secretary Janice Radmer, Spokane County Pomona Master Walt Radmer,

Grange News Photo Creates "Famous" Reaction From Junior

By Richard Lefever

I don't normally submit pictures of my grandkids or brag about them – for this picture I'm going to make an exception. My 5-year old grandson Reeve and his father Matthew expressed an interest in displaying their Lego creation at the Klickitat County Pomona Grange Mini Fair. While I was in Albany, Oregon, picking up their project for displaying, Ashley my daughter in-law showed me the picture (right). Ashley explained "One of Reeve's chores when he gets home from preschool is to get the mail and bring it into the house. One afternoon while routinely bringing in the mail, he recognized your picture on the front page of the Washington State Grange News." He excitedly explained to his mother that was his Grandfather Papa Rich and his Uncle Daniel on the front page - they must be famous. The picture shows my oldest son Daniel and myself at the 2018 National Grange Convention, in Stove, VT receiving the Distinguished Grange Award for Goldendale Grange #49. For several days Reeve showed everyone interested and a few



that weren't as interested his copy of the WA State Grange News. The Grange News even made it into an Oregon Pre-School - Show and Tell. He is truly a young Granger. In 2017, Grandson Reeve attended the his first National Grange Convention in Spokane where the Lefever family received the National Grange Legacy award.

Issaquah Valley Grange Honors WWII Vets With Donation For Honor Flights

David Waggoner of Issaquah Valley Grange presented a check from Puget Sound Honor Flights to Ginger Sweet in appreciation of her donation of 30 quilts she made for the Honor Flight program. The award will be used to obtain more fabric and supplies for additional lap quilts. World War II veterans are given a lap quilt when they travel on the Honor Flights to see the WWII Memorial in Washington, DC. If other Granges are interested in helping honor WWII veterans contact Puget Sound Honor Flights.



Green Bluff Grange Welcomes Four New Members



Green Bluff Grange obligated 4 new members at their March 19 meeting: Phil Kuhnkey, Robin Scarlett, Jeffrey & Susan Banke. They all have some amazing talents to contribute to the Grange.

Five Mile Prairie Grange Hosts Pancakes With The Easter Bunny

Five Mile Prairie Grange recently hosted Pancakes with the Easter Bunny. Close to 400 pancake breakfasts were served between 8-11 a.m. on Saturday, April 20th with an additional 100 or so who just came to see the Bunny. A crazy, busy, awesome family event! The Bunny even wore a Grange hero cape!



Grange Connection

Ralston Grange Hosts Successful Easter Egg Hunt



Ralston Grange Easter Egg Hunt was held on Saturday, April 13 at the Keppler Memorial Park in Ralston. A couple dozen kids, ages 1 to 12 looked for eggs in the park, then went to the Grange hall to enjoy a big assortment of games, crafts and snacks.



Violet Prairie Grange Honors 50 Years Of Membership

Violet Prairie Grange honored their 50 year member Robert Anderson (left) with a National Grange 50 year certificate and pin, presented by Pomona Master Rick Nelson.



Spokane County Pomona Treasurer/ Executive Committee Bill Weiss, Spokane County Pomona Chaplain Nancy Weiss, and Fire District #9 Commissioner Mike Atwood. After a fulfilling potluck chicken dinner by Central Grange, the program included many events. Fifty-year members receiving Golden Sheaf Certificates and pins were awarded to Roberta and Gordon Smith, Jean Patterson, and Mike Atwood by Central Grange Master Mike Britton. Jan Spacek was unable to attend and will receive her award at a future date. Riley Dymond, grandson of Joyce Dymond, received a scholarship of \$1000 to continue his education towards a degree in Accounting at Eastern Washington State University. Dovie Britton received a scholarship of \$1000 to continue her education towards a degree in Information Management or Accounting currently attending Spokane Community College. Central Grange presented Spokane County Pomona Master, Walt Radmer, and Treasurer, Bill Weiss with a \$500 donation to be used towards NEWA Grange camperships in 2019. Door prizes were given throughout the following Fire Appreciation Program, which included a presentation by Lecturer, Roberta Smith of bobble-head awards to the 4 Station Captains and a rousing song "Fire Truck" lead by singers from the 3 "D's". A good time was had by all, and Central Grange #831 was happy to put the Appreciation function on. Attached are photos of our event.

STEVENS COUNTY

Camas Valley Grange had an April 6 BINGO night, which was well attended, and every one had a great time - especially the person that won the Blackout. April 13-14 was the CVG Craft Sale - there was so much to look at it was hard to decide which table to visit first, and the Junior Grange (wooden flags) and the Youth Grange (beaded jewelry) each had a

table. The last of the snow is melted, thanks to the April Showers. Grange members are gearing up for the May 4 Craft Sale at the MWHS sponsored by the Springdale Boosters and BINGO sponsored by the Springdale Women Club. There will be a Mother's Day Brunch on May 11 at the Grange.

THURSTON COUNTY

McLane Grange's primary fundraiser, the Delphi Craft & Swap Meet, will be on Saturday, May 11th, from 9 - 3 at the Grange Hall, 931 Delphi Rd. SW. Come shop for new and pre-owned treasures, with new & returning vendors the second Saturday of each month, April - November. Coffee is free to shoppers. Ample parking and a bake sale available! To sell your art, crafts or pre-owned treasures contact Eladice at 360-866-7254 to reserve a table.

Skookumchuck Grange voted to give money to the Elementary school for their community garden project, a total different direction from giving Dictionaries. We continue to upgrade our Grange with new active members help. Blessed are we. Kudos to Judy Logan who found us kitchen chairs at the WA State Surplus for \$3 each, they are very similar to the ones we were too purchase which would have cost us ALOT more. Rentals of the Grange continue to increase. We are on the lookout for a used frig. and electric stove. We like the "copy & hand out/post" from The Good Day Magazine, the pages can be used for promotion and to share information. Great idea! Go Grangers!

South Union Grange reports that a snow-laden limb came down on one corner of the meeting hall roof during a snow storm earlier this year. Insurance will cover most of the cost and the Grange is currently securing bids for the work. Pam Mathews and Christie Vintilo will be their delegates to the state convention in June. Several members entered Lecturer and Family Living contests

at the Pomona level on April 13 and a number of their entries qualified to go to state competition this summer. South Union will be serving refreshments at the Maytown Rest area for a few days in June. Members are asked to contact Pam Mathews to schedule their time to help at the rest area. South Union's next meeting will be on Monday May 20 at 7:00 pm. Dance to live county music by The Country Four on the first Saturday of every month from 7 to 10 pm. All ages are welcome.

Violet Prairie Grange had a wonderful celebration with lots of food and a big cake at their last meeting. Long time member Robert Anderson was decorated with a 50-year pin and given a 50-year membership certificate. We hosted the Pomona meeting in April. We continue to work with our local food bank. Our meetings are the first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. starting with a potluck and everyone is welcome to attend.

YAKIMA COUNTY

Nob Hill Grange member Julian Grayson Steenbergen passed away on Dec. 21, 2018. He celebrated his 103rd birthday on Aug. 15, 2018. During WW II Julian served as a sergeant in the Washington State Guard. In 1948, after the deaths of his two brothers, he moved back to the Yakima area to take over the family orchard. He worked actively in the orchard well into his nineties. He also worked for Upland Winery as one of Yakima Valley's first wine chemists. In 2009 Upland Estates issued a red table wine named "Julian" commemorating him and using his red wine blend methods. Julian was active in the Nob Hill Grange, serving as master for over 30 years until immediately prior to his passing. He contributed a lot to the Grange over the years and will be missed.

Calispel Grange Hosts Weekly Sewing & Potluck Outings



Members and friends of Calispel Grange #500 in Pend Oreille County, gather once a week for sewing and a delicious pot luck. We make quilts from scraps we occasionally get from friends who clean out their stash. We work on projects we start in local classes, and make crafts. The best parts of each day are the lessons we share with each other both in sewing and life in general—a working support system. Come and join us any Thursday. All are welcome.

BEEvesting In Our Community

Several farms, nonprofit organizations and business partners collaborated recently to launch a Pollinator Pathway project in the Sammamish Valley in east King County. With an interest in ways to support the local food system these partners looked for a fun, family-friendly activity that would impact the local environment. Bees and pollinators were determined to be a sure-fire way to get started!

"BEEvesting in our Community," was originated by Sammamish Valley Grange #286, Sammamish Valley Alliance (SVA), 21 Acres and Coastal Community Bank. A Pollinator Pathway connects green spaces in a specific corridor including backyard gardens, farms, planting strips, pea-patches, etc., along a designated pathway. These pathways host plants that bees and butterflies and other pollinators visit. It's a model used in both urban and rural settings to support the foundation of local food systems. Working cohesively, the above partners were looking for an opportunity to bring residents, farmers and businesses together encouraging everyone to further understandings of local environmental issues, food systems and climate challenges.

An easy first step was acknowledging and learning about the importance of bees in food production. The "BEEvesting" project, has short-term and long-term goals, beginning this spring as volunteers from the Sammamish Valley Grange and others installed mason bee boxes on several farms and properties in the Sammamish Valley. Why mason bees? Mason bees are native and provide important pollination services for trees, plants and vegetables. Although they don't produce honey, the fact that they're native means that they are well adapted to our environment and are key to many plants, including most of the foods that we eat, being able to survive. At the April Sammamish Valley Grange #286 program, members and guests heard from Olivia Shangrow, a biologist and operations specialist with the local company, Rent Mason Bees. She presented information on the importance of mason and leafcutter bees and other pollinators necessary for food production. Additional opportunities were also discussed to support the Grange's "BEEvestment" in the community.



(Top) Sammamish Valley Grange #286 members and volunteers launch the new Sammamish Valley Pollinator Pathway and learn about Mason Bees. (Lower) Sammamish Valley Grange #286 members, volunteers and families install bee boxes at a local farm.

Pomona Connection

Clark County Pomona

Clark County Pomona held their Baking Contest on April 10 at Fargher Lake, and the baked goods were auctioned off to interested members prior to the meeting. Many Juniors entered the contest and will have their entries going to State Convention. The lively auction raised \$228.00. Rodger Lance spoke about the last few bills before the legislature including those of increasing taxes. Rodger proposed a resolution to the members to Ban Single Use Plastic Bags in the State of Washington. A motion was made to accept the resolution. Grangers were urged to start thinking about their booth for the Clark County Fair coming up in August. The theme is "Sounds of Summer". The Juniors have built and decorated planter boxes that will be for sale, and they will also enter them into the fair as a project. Grange members will start practicing soon for the Drill they will do at Tri County in September. Janice Anderson recently attended a State Grange Conference in Moses Lake. She learned to make a "Mission Statement" and to encourage each Subordinate Grange to do their own "Mission Statement". Judy Steigmann attended the Lecturer

and Family Living Contest at Logan Hill Grange in Chehalis. They combine both contests into a one-day event rather than two days as Clark County Pomona does. Judy was impressed with how efficient it was.

Grays Harbor/ Pacific Pomona

Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona will meet on May 11 at Humptulips. Entries in art, craft, photography, sewing, needlework, quilting and canning are due on May 10 to Humptulips between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The Pomona Grange held a successful basket bingo fund raiser on April 27 at Olympia View. The Pomona is also offering partial campships to attend Junior Grange Camp this summer. Applicants should write a letter to Pomona titled "Why I Want to go to Grange Camp" and send to Pomona Secretary Lucy Vest by May 9.

King County Pomona

King County Pomona held their CFL and Lecturer contest on April 27th at Meridian Grange and will be having our Open house and will be playing Bunco for Teddy Bears Fundraisers for the Local Fire Department. The May meeting

will be held at Cedar Grange with our Community Service Project being Diabetes. We have started working on our Fair display for the King County Fair in July. The King County Pomona Youth Group has been very busy with community service project within our community. They held a toy drive for Toys for Joy for Children in need. They work at the Cedar Grange Pancake Breakfast every month. They signed up to be in the Run Motivators for the National Grange.

Klickitat Pomona

Klickitat Pomona Grange sponsored a County Wide Mini Fair April 11 and 12 at the Goldendale Grange Hall. This has been annual Grange month event for many years. The Pomona mourns the loss of long time Grange member Roberta Hctor. She was active in local, county, and State Grange activities. Goldendale Grange draped the charter in her honor at their April meeting. Plans are under way to develop a degree team from area Granges, Centerville, Goldendale and Glenwood for the purpose of conferring the degree work on our newest members in the near future.

Skagit County Pomona

Skagit County Pomona Grange finally had a meeting on April 3rd, after having been snowed out in February and March. The meeting was held at Fredonia Grange Hall. All of the Family Living and Lecturer's contests were held the same date, with a good number of entries in all contests. Lecturer, Susan Custance, was particularly pleased that there were 44 entries in the photography contest. Purple winning entries came from Fredonia, Rexville, Samish Valley, and Skagit Valley Grange members. Dennis Hall and Susan Custance were elected delegates to State Convention. The next meeting will be May 1st at Samish Valley Grange and a Memorial Service will be conducted by the Chaplain and Lecturer. The June meeting will be held at Summit Park Grange on June 5th.

Thurston County Pomona

Thurston County Pomona met at South Union Grange on April 4. Rick Nelson and Terry Abbott will be their delegates to the state convention in June. A Silver Star and Golden Sheaf Celebration will be held on Sunday May 19 at 2 pm at Prosperity Grange. Thurston County Grange members who have 25 or more years of continuous membership will be recognized and everyone is welcome to join them in the celebration (3701 Steamboat Island Road NW, Olympia). The June meeting will be held at South Bay Grange at 7 pm and will include the floral arranging contest (bring your entries by 6:45 pm, please).

Pomona Calendar

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

CLALLAM	June 10 at Quillayute Valley, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 p.m. meeting. All Pomona Grange contests will be May 4 at Fairview with entries due 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
CLARK	May 8 at Mountain Valley, 7 p.m.
COWLITZ	May 18 at Grays River, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 p.m. meeting. Program will be the Memorial Service.
EXCELSIOR	May 18 at Gardenspot, 11 a.m. Potluck at 12 noon. Lecturer and Family Living Contests.
FERRY	July 8 at Malo, 6 p.m.
GRAYS HARBOR/ PACIFIC	May 11 at Humptulips, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck. Lecturer and CFL Contest entries due on May 10, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
KING	May 11 at Cedar, 10 a.m. Program will be the Memorial Service.
KITSAP	May 17 at Olalla, 7:30 p.m.
KLICKITAT	May 4 at Alder Creek, 5 p.m. potluck, meeting follows.
LEWIS	May 5 at Forest, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting. Collection will be non-perishables for the food bank.
MASON	May 18 at Skokomish, 10 a.m. Potluck at 12 p.m.
OKANOGAN	July 13 at Tunk Valley, 10 a.m.
PIERCE	May 4 at Fruitland, 10 a.m. Craft and photography contest entries due on May 3 at 9 a.m.
RIVERSIDE	May 4 at Terrace Heights, 12 p.m. potluck with meeting to follow.
SKAGIT	May 1 at Samish Valley, 7 p.m. June 5 at Summit Park.
SNAKE RIVER	June 15 at Kennewick Valley, 10 a.m. No host lunch following meeting.
SPOKANE	May 17 at Five Mile Prairie, 10 a.m. Potluck at 12 noon. Contest judging to be held.
STEVENS	May 18 at Gardenspot (meet with Excelsior Pomona), 11 a.m. Potluck at 12 noon. Lecturer and Family Living Contests.
SUNNYSIDE	May 14 at Buena, 7:30 p.m.
THURSTON	May 2 at McLane, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting. Program will be Memorial Service. May 19 - Silver Star/ Golden Sheaf Celebration will be at Prosperity at 2 pm June 6 - Next Pomona meeting at South Bay.
WHATCOM	June 18 at Laurel, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting. Flower contest entries due 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
WHITMAN	May 18 at North & South Palouse, 10 a.m. Potluck at 12 noon. Contest Entries due.
YAKIMA	May 17 at Broadway, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.

5 Generations Attend Snohomish County Pomona



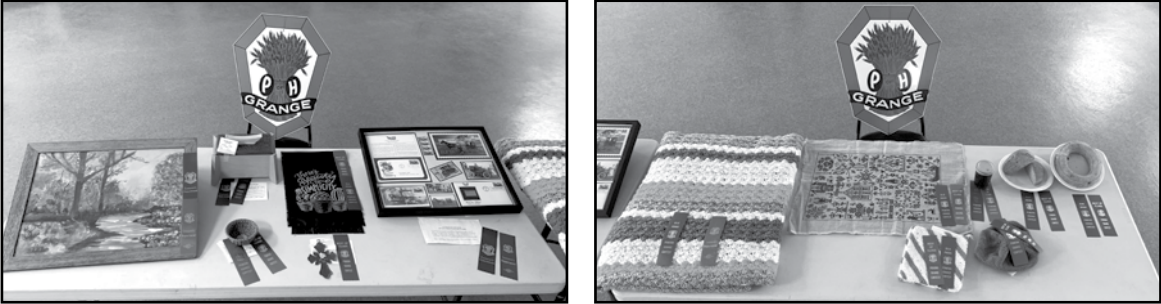
At the March 23rd meeting for Snohomish County Pomona at South Lake Steven's Grange, one family had five generations in attendance. Back row left to right; Christa Tuchscherer, Dianna Engeseth, Lorraine Herr, Tiffany Fleming. Front Row; Charlie Fleming.

Pierce County Pomona Hosts Pancake Breakfast



Pictured are members of Pierce County Pomona # 16 that participated in the first pancake breakfast held at Edgewood Grange.

Klickitat Pomona Hosts County-wide Mini Fair



Klickitat Pomona Grange sponsored a County Wide Mini Fair April 11 and 12 at the Goldendale Grange Hall. Pictured are Best of Show winners.

The Grange Exchange

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Welcome New Members		
GRANGES WITH MEMBERSHIP GAINS March 2019		
	# Joined	Jr. +1
Bee Hive #385	1	
Jeremy Fisch		
Black Lake #861.....	2	
Christina Smith, Wyatt Palmer		
Cedar Valley #306.....	1	
Penny Curtis		
Chimacum #681	2	
Michael Pilarski, Eric Mackey		
Chumstick #819.....	1	
Delores Alford		
East Hill #786.....	2	
Josh Erskine, Sara Gooch		
East Oakville	17	4
Chrisma Juarez, Sheila McGuire, Theresa Keegan,		
Liisa Mayberry, Dwight Mayberry, Sue Shank,		
August Koski, Susan Koski, Kurestin Vargo,		
Beau Vargo, Robby Shank, Jaclyn Richter,		
Robyn Carter, Rob Holsinger, Mike Jones		
John Sharp, Diana Merseal		
Fern Prairie #866.....	1	2
Thomas Hann		
Five Mile Prairie #905	3	4
Joyce Harbison, Gary Harbison		
Fredonia #545	2	
Laurel Jacobs, David Jacobs		
Fruitland #999.....	6	3
William Rocheleau, Gail Rocheleau, Troy Moebius		
Brandi Moebius, Cheri Radford, Thomas Clowers		
Garden City #280	1	
Carol Bunkelman		
Grays River #124.....	1	
Patti Wooden		
Longan Hill #1086.....	3	
Lark Schwartz, Paula Stemler, Timothy Higgins		
Lopez Island #1060.....	1	
Meike Meissner		
Manson #796	1	
John Peters		
Matlock #357	2	
John Miller, Jo Miller		
Ohop #812	1	
Shannon Johnson		
Rose Valley #953	1	
Allison Jones		
Riverside Valley #1047.....	1	
Leanna Stidham		
San Juan Isalnd #966	6	
Todd Gardner, Trenna Middleton, Steve Ulvi		
Bethery Van Dassow, Sasha Van Dassow, Nancy Webb		
Sequim Prairie #1108.....	0	1
SilverCreek/Ethel #150.....	5	2
Elizabeth Hill, Darrell Hill, Bill Robillard		
Troy Hill, Janet Hill		
Stillaguamish #1058.....	0	2
Swauk-Teanaway #984	2	
Darlene Maurer, Darlene Smith		
St Andrews	1	
Marcus R Dingman		
The Valley #1048	4	
Dorene Isaacs, Shelby Baker, Pamela Lancaster		
Kathy Conway		
Washington #1.....	4	
Randy Amundson, Jackie Amundson, Ron Chase		
Emily Chase		
White Trail #1143	2	
Hushton Hayduk, Marissa Hayduk		
Williams Valley #452	3	
Teresa Weber, Jeremy Weber, Anthony Beam		
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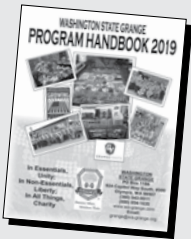
Your 2019 Program Handbook Is Nearby

This year's Washington State Grange Program Handbook is available through department heads, at the leadership conferences in your area and as an online publication. It is right at your fingertips at any time on the State Grange website.

Refer to the Handbook often for details about contests and programs from each Grange department. Valuable information about Grange Foundation and GIA scholarships is also in the handbook.

<http://wa-grange.com/downloads/ProgramHandbook.pdf>

Download the Handbook file to your PC for ready access.



WA State Grange Awards 24 Scholarships

The Washington State Grange, through the WA State Grange Foundation is awarding 24 scholarships for the 2019-2020 academic year. Each scholarship is in the amount of \$750 to \$1,000. The scores of five judges were used to determine the amounts for each scholarship. While a listing of the winners is included here, the biographies of each of the recipients will be in next month’s issue of The Grange News.

SCHOLARSHIP	NAME OF RECIPIENT	GRANGE
BEAR CREEK/HORSESHOE GRANGE	Isabella Lierman Alexis Kudsk	Horseshoe #965 Haynie #169
NOMAL BUCCHOLZ AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP	Jack Mallonee	Baw Faw #34
DELPHA GOUDE MEMORIAL	Paul Fricke Jacob Roibal Mackenzie Raney	McIntosh #1001 McIntosh #1001 Olympic View #774
FIDELITY GRANGE	Naomi Lierman	Horseshoe #965
FOX ISLAND GRANGE	Josie Emery	Humptulips #730
FRENCH CREEK GRANGE	Justine Ristine	South Lake Stevens #690
RAY & MARIAN KAMMERER MEMORIAL	Brandy Donough Kendal Harner	Green Bluff #300 Olympic View #774
KEGLEY AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP	Jerissa Fisch Kendra Gady	Bee Hive #385 McIntosh #1001
LONE YEW GRANGE	Wyatt Palmer	Black Lake #861
McCLEARY GRANGE	Kennedy Gwin Alexis Smith	Humptulips #730 Humptulips #730
NOB HILL GRANGE	Marguerite Bailey	McIntosh #1001
POMONA VILLA	Christina Smith	Black Lake #861
POMONA VILLA – PIERCE COUNTY	Jessica Pollard	Marion #276
RIVERVIEW GRANGE	Arlene Law	Sequim Prairie #1108
ROCK CREEK GRANGE	Leah Bardal	Pleasant Hill #101
MARION & SNOWIE VANDERPOOL MEMORIAL	Morgan Goodrich	Baw Faw #34
FAMILY LIVING VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP	Katlin Atkin Hailey Annis	Waller Road #1111 Five Mile Prairie #905

Chaplain's Corner

Memorial Services Encouraged In Each Grange

By Pam Matthews
State Grange Chaplain

I want to encourage you to have a memorial service in your Granges this spring. Included in the Lecturer packets, is a memorial service. This service is a suggestion only and you may want to use all or any part of it. Or do something else entirely. That is fine; I just ask that your Grange have a memorial service, in the spring, to remember those brothers and sisters who have

passed on in the preceding twelve months. A copy of the service will be on the State Grange web site.

I would also like to remind you if your Grange has any members who were Deputies, State Officers, District Directors, or their spouses, who have died this last year, to let me know as soon as possible so I may write a special tribute for these members for the annual memorial service at the State Grange convention.

Grange secretaries, please send me the names of your past



Pam Matthews

Masters and/or spouses who have passed away this last year, for the Memorial roll at the State session. The form is in the secretary's packet.

If you have any questions, comments, or have a report to make please phone or email me at: 360-352-7043 or mathewstwin@hotmail.com. Put “Grange” in the subject line please.

May the Lord bless you all.

WA Students Win GIA Scholarships

Grange Insurance Association is pleased to announce that Katelyn Banks of Mabton was awarded the Duane Shipman Memorial Scholarship for \$2,500.

Nicholas Orr of Federal Way was awarded the Charles F. Keiser Memorial Scholarship for \$2,500.

Juan Perez of Brewster was awarded a vocational scholarship for \$2,000.

Other winners included:

Victoria Weishaar of Odessa, Marguerite Bailey of Spokane, Kaela Southwick of Asotin, Emily Banks of Mabton, Tabitha Revak of Everson, Hannah Fagerness of Snohomish, Kayla Shipley of Lynden, Monet Lamphere

of Lynden, and Emma Leidy of Ridgefield, Washington were awarded scholarships.

Each year Grange Insurance Association awards scholarships to qualified applicants. The applicant or their parents must be policyholders of Grange Insurance Association. Among the 49 applications received, 27 scholarships were awarded this year.

The quality of applicants was exceptionally high again this year and the Company is extremely pleased with the caliber of students who applied for our scholarships. It is always a difficult process to make the

selections when all the applicants are so highly qualified. An announcement will be made in the late fall regarding the program for the following year, and we encourage you to watch this paper for information on the application process for next year’s program.

Grange Insurance Association has made scholarships available since 1965. They may be used at any accredited school or college and are offered throughout GIA’s operating territory, which includes the states of California, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, Wyoming, and Washington. The Home Office of Grange Insurance Association is in Seattle, WA.

Home & Family

Family Living

CFL Is Prepping For WA State Grange Convention

By Eileen Moebius
Family Living Director

The CFL Department is still looking for veterans that we can honor with a Quilt of Valor Quilt. We have eight quilts to give out at the 2019 Convention, to be held at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds. We want to honor veterans from the east side of the mountains this year. You can send names and bios to Eileen Moebius, PO Box 292, Kapowsin WA 98344 or email me at emoebius@att.net.

Just one month until convention. I hope you have had your CFL contests. If not it is still time to put the contest together and have a contest.

Something wonderful has just happened to us. I had a cat adopt me last month. She said

she wants to come to Okanogan for the convention. Her name is Kaleidoscope. She is a great help with the quilts we are working on. She wants you to know you can see her on the Face Book page. It is Washington State Grange Family Living.

The CFL team meet at Fruitland Grange to go over what we are going do and what is going to happen at Convention. Take in should go smoothly, and judging may go faster with more judges and a different layout. If you have a few minutes and would like to help us, please come on down and lend a hand. Ann was not able to meet with us this time. We missed you, Ann.

Have you bought your CFL breakfast tickets yet? The order form is in this issue of the



Eileen Moebius

Grange News. The tickets are \$18.00 this year. Sister Mary Hunt will be handling the tickets and the Breakfast.

Don't forget the items for the live auction and the silent auction. We have four quilts to go in the auctions.

If you would like to judge or know someone who may be interested, please contact Sister Helen Berg. She is handling getting the judges for the CFL department. I think we still need baking, sewing and possibly needlework

"Always remember you are BRAVER than you BELIEVE, STRONGER than you SEEM, SMARTER than you THINK and LOVED more than you know." Author unknown.

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Lecturer's Department

Convention Preparation Is Underway!

By Leslie Jo Wells
State Grange Lecturer

We are almost at the end of our Grange contest season. The entries for the Creative Writing contest have been received and I am getting ready to distribute them for judging. They will be available for pick-up at convention in Okanogan.

I have also received the first few reports from Pomona Granges for this year's Arts & Crafts and Photography contests. We must keep working to promote the contests by reaching out to our Grange members and neighbors and encouraging them to participate. You may use our contests as a membership tool with non-Grangers. From painting to woodworking to needle arts, we certainly have a variety of contests that will fit their interests. All Pomona Granges should have their contests completed by the end of May. Please be sure to send in the results so we can

be prepared for your entries at the convention. For those Pomonas who have contests scheduled for early June, please be sure to send in the contest results immediately after the contest. The sooner I receive your results the better - it means check-in at convention will be easier for you. Also, when you bring the purple ribbon winners to state, please make sure the only thing attached to the item is the entry tag that was used at the Pomona contest. I am looking forward to hearing how your contests went this year.

As was mentioned at the Leadership Conferences, there were changes made to some of the Arts & Crafts classes, but there were no changes made to the Photography classes. The State Lecturer Team will be reviewing all contests and the associated classes this Fall before setting the 2020 program. If you have any suggestions for changes to the contests please let me know.



Leslie Jo Wells

As you are no doubt aware... it seems that nothing in life is free. That thought also applies to our costs for the ribbons and monetary awards given to our various contest winners. It is very much appreciated when Granges support our Lecturer Department by donating items for the Live and Silent Auctions that are held at the Convention. This year, we are planning to have the Silent Auction items for all four departments in the same area at Convention. That way, you don't have to go to each department to see what's available. One stop shopping! Please look for this opportunity when you're at convention.

Please contact me with your questions and concerns regarding our contests or programs. It is easiest to contact me via email, lesliewells@att.net.

Encourage Healthy Eating Habits in Kids

(Courtesy of Family Features)



As a parent, instilling healthy eating habits in your children at an early age can aid in proper growth and development. Eating well goes a long way toward maintaining a healthy weight, increasing energy levels and improving moods while also reducing risk of obesity and other chronic issues such as heart disease and diabetes later in life.

Set your children on a path to making lifelong nutritious choices with these tips:

Foster independence. Allowing your children to help with shopping and meal prep can aid in them taking ownership of what they're eating. Start by divvying up easier tasks such as setting the table then work toward creating snacks and meals on their own. These Rainbow Fruit Parfaits are simple for kids to assemble – just set the ingredients out and let them layer – and can serve as a healthful on-the-go breakfast or after-school snack.

Offer balanced options. Children require balanced diets made up of all three major food groups, including fruits and vegetables, for proper development.

Be a role model. Typically, your children will follow your behaviors, which includes the types of foods they select at mealtimes. Eating a rainbow of fruits and vegetables can help ensure your family is getting a complete range of nutrients.

To find more healthy meal inspiration, including more than 500 registered dietitian- and family-tested recipes, visit produceforkids.com.

Rainbow Fruit Parfaits

Recipe courtesy of Produce for Kids
Prep time: 10 minutes Servings: 3

- 1/2 cup sliced strawberries
- 2 mandarins, peeled and segmented
- 1/2 cup chopped pineapple
- 2 kiwis, peeled and chopped
- 1/2 cup blueberries
- 1/2 cup red seedless grapes
- 1 cup vanilla Greek yogurt

In parfait glasses, layer strawberries, mandarins, pineapple, kiwis, blueberries and grapes. Top each fruit parfait with yogurt.

Rainbow Buddha Bowl

Recipe courtesy of Jodi of Create Kids Club on behalf of Produce for Kids
Prep time: 30 minutes Servings: 4

- 1 medium sweet potato, peeled and diced
- 1 cup broccoli florets
- 1/2 small purple cabbage, sliced
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 2 cups quinoa, cooked according to package directions
- 1 cup red cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 1/2 cup yellow cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 1 avocado, sliced
- 4 tablespoons yogurt ranch dressing

Heat oven to 425 F. Place sweet potatoes, broccoli and cabbage on baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Toss with oil and season with salt and pepper, to taste. Bake 15-20 minutes, or until potatoes are soft. Divide cooked quinoa into four bowls. Top with roasted sweet potatoes, broccoli, cabbage, red tomatoes, yellow tomatoes and avocado. Drizzle with dressing.



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Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

Juniors

What's So Great About WA State Junior Grange Camps?

By Marvin & Jennifer Oliver
Junior Grange Directors

When promoting Junior Grange summer camps to non-Granges, new members or seasoned members that have never attended camps, the same questions often come up. What is so unique about our camps? Why should I send my kids? and many others. So sitting around my table at Sunday dinner I asked my family and friends who grew up attending Junior Grange camps and continue to be involved as adults these questions an here are some of the answers.

When asked "What is so unique about our Junior Grange Camps?", Washington State Grange Gatekeeper Nick Oliver had this to say:

"I think that our camps provide kids an early independence. Unless they're attending with a friend or siblings these kids come to camp not knowing anyone which can be scary, but by the end of the week we see these young kids that have gained a sense of independence,

confidence, and joy that was not there when they arrived.

It's a special thing to witness when you see a child crying asking their parents "when will you be back?", and then when their parents pick them up at the end of the week they are excitedly jumping up and down asking "can we come next year?!"

"Our camps teach and instill skills that are not necessarily highlighted in school or in a child's home life. Our camps teach and instill responsibility, accountability, and the importance of practice and hard work. Our camps also create unique and lasting friendship, I can honestly say I met and got to know my best friends through Junir Grange Camp!"

When asked "Why should I send my kids to Junior Grange Camp?" Washington State Grange Ceres Brittney Oliver had this to say:

"The Grange takes pride in their family values and ability to positively influence and affect communities. And this is no different when it comes to our Junior



Marvin & Jennifer Oliver

Grange camps. There are several life lessons that kids learn as camp, all while having fun and making memories. Having attended camp as a camper, counselor and later as an adult leader I thought I'd share some invaluable lessons learned at Junior Grange Camp.

Independence and Self Confidence: For many children, like my younger self, summer camp is the first time that they spend away from home for an extended period of time. Campers get a chance to make decisions on their own, from what food they eat to the games they play.

Communication and Problem Solving: For most kids, summer camp is an opportunity to interact with other kids from different backgrounds and have very different experiences than their own. Learning early on how to communicate with others is an invaluable skill that will carry on for life.

Accountability and Responsibility: Campers at Junior Grange Camp get to learn parts in the Junior. Grange ritual work, a skit, camp songs, line dances, and even drill. Campers work all week to perfect their part of these activities and then show them off during visitors' night. I think my earliest memory of the feeling of being responsible for something was when I was tasked with reading the Pomona's part during, the Jr. degree work. I practiced reading that paragraph over and over again, because I knew that during visitor's night there would be an audience to see and hear me recite that paragraph."

Within the Grange there are so many people with experiences like these. It makes us proud to be a part of such an amazing program that continues to grow and improve.

Our hope is that you use these answers to help promote the Junior Grange camping program in your area.

Youth

Spring Leads To An Increase In Grange Youth Activities

By Jerry Gwin
State Youth Director



Jerry Gwin

The youth activities for the upcoming State Grange Convention are starting to fall together. A full schedule will be available in next month's column. Thank you to Brittney Oliver for serving as the Host Youth Committee Chair.

Tickets for this year's youth department raffle will be going out soon. Each Grange will receive 1-2 books of 10 tickets. We ask that you sell the tickets and return the stubs and check to me in the enclosed envelope. If you need additional tickets, please call my home phone and leave a message. We will send additional tickets to you as requested.

The youth department is looking for items for the Live Auction at the convention. Please drop them off at the youth sales table. We have a good supply of degree pins, silver star pins, and golden sheaf pins available for sale at the table this year.

We are looking for candidates for Washington State Grange Youth Ambassador and Outstanding Young Adult. We are also seeking candidates for the Youth Community Service Award, Youth Grange Membership Builder Award, and the Mentoring Award. The applications and the accompanying trivia challenge are available on the National Grange Youth website, www.nationalgrangeyouth.org. I also need to know of any entries in the Sign-a-Song and the Prepared Speech Contest.

I hope you are gathering items for the Keep Washington Warm Project. We can certainly use your handmade or purchased socks, hats, mittens, scarves, and gloves. The items should be checked in at the display room

It will be good to see all of you at the convention. Okanogan, here we come!

Junior Connection

Green Bluff Junior Grange

At their April meeting on April 30, Green Bluff Junior Grangers along with some other volunteers completed their 5th year of Keeping Green Bluff Green by picking up trash all around our community whilst working with the Department of Corrections! They wore their new T-shirts or hoddies. At their March 26 meeting Jr. Grangers had an educational session plus lots of fun showing off the Super Grange Hero Capes.

Green Bluff Juniors Keeping Busy With Spring Activities

Green Bluff Junior Grangers pictured with the Super Grange Hero Cape, the education session (planting seeds) and all of them at the Green Bluff Grange sign.



Five Mile Prairie Grange Hosts Annual Talent Night



Five Mile Prairie Grange recently held their annual Talent Night. Here is a group photo of all who participated. The kids are amazing!

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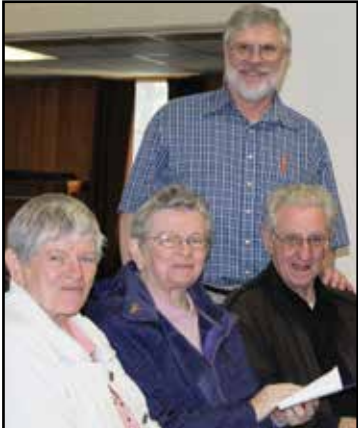
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Grange Connection

Central Grange Hosts Awards and Fireman Appreciation Night

Central Grange # 831 held its Fireman's Appreciation and Awards Night on April 20th. Pictured: (Right) Lecturer, Roberta Smith presented bobble-head awards to the 4 Station Captains from District #9. (Bottom Left) Dovie Britton received a scholarship of \$1000. (Bottom Middle) Fifty year Golden Sheaf Certificates and pins were awarded to Roberta and Gordon Smith, Jean Patterson, and Mike Atwood by Central Grange Master Mike Britton. (Bottom Right) Riley Dymond received a scholarship of \$1000.



Ten Mile Grange Presents Dictionaries To Lummi Nation Third Graders

In April Ten Mile Grange gave away 25 dictionaries for the "Words for Thirds" project to the Lummi Nation School 3rd grade class in Whatcom County. 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.

Pictured in the photos are: Katy Vance-Teacher, Oren Gaskill-Treasurer, Pete Hauck-Master, Jean Hauck-Lecturer, Gary Brandt-Steward, and Kathryn Candanoza-Teacher.



Fruitland Grange Presents Community Citizen Award



On April 8, Fruitland Grange was very honored to recognize Department of Fish & Wildlife Police Officer Todd Dielman as their Community Citizen Award recipient. Officer Dielman's region encompasses Clallam, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Kitsap, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, Thurston counties. Officer Dielman's duties are to enforce the laws and regulations related to human-wildlife conflict, hunting, fishing, the protection of fish and wildlife habitats, as well as numerous other enforcement activities. Pictured is Sergeant Ryan John, Officer Todd Dielman and Master Jim Moebius.

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