



WASHINGTON STATE Grange News

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CORNET BAY CAMP

Six Weeks Of Junior Grange Camp Leads To A Lifetime Of Memories

Over 450 youth attended summer camp as a part of the Washington State Grange Junior Grange Department. The Grange operates six weeks of summer camp around the state as a part of their programming for kids,

ages 8-14. The campers were joined by 80 teen counselors and 85 adult staff members.

While each of the camps operate independently and under the guidance of a board of directors, the Washington State Grange

retains jurisdiction and the ultimate responsibility of the camping program.

The daily program varies from camp to camp. Each of the camps do participate in the traditional Grange opening, closing, and Junior Grange degree. Craft projects

range from nature craft and jewelry making to sewing and poster creation. The recreational activities of each camp depend upon what is available in that area....be it hiking, swimming, archery, fishing, dancing, and games. Educational features also

vary from camp to camp but are always fun and interesting for the campers as well.

Plans for the 2020 Junior Grange Camping Program are now underway. Camp registration information will be available in January.

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

INSIDE: Take a look back at the 2019 Junior Camps



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Pictured Left:
Camp Morehead

Mark Your Calendars

Upcoming State Grange Events

- November 5-9**..... 153rd Annual National Grange Convention in Bloomington, Minnesota
- December 1** Grange Officer Reports Due to the State Grange Office
- December 8** State Grange Christmas Party – Northern District, location to be announced. 1:00 PM
- December 14** State Grange Christmas Party @ Moses Lake Grange Hall. Grant County. 1:00 PM
- December 15** State Grange Christmas Party @ South Union Grange Hall, Thurston County. 1:00 PM
- December 31** Fourth Quarter Secretary Reports Due to the State Grange Office
- January/ February 2020** State Grange Leadership Conferences, locations and times to be announced
- January 23, 2020** State Grange Executive Committee Meeting
- January 26, 2020 (tentative)** 2020 Convention Kick Off Meeting at Walla Walla
- February 20, 2020** ...Legislative Day
- March 6-8, 2020** State Grange Teen Getaway Weekend @ Moses Lake
- April 21, 2020** Intersessions Committee Meetings
- June 24-27, 2020** 131st Annual Session of the Washington State Grange at Walla Walla County Fairgrounds

By-Laws

Manson Grange #796 announces a vote to change their By-Laws, causing the business meeting to be at 7:00 pm on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

The vote will occur at their business meeting on November 26th, 2019.

Molson Grange #1069 will meet on December 12, 2019 to vote on changing their meeting times to the 2nd Wednesday or each month at 2:00 p.m.

Lecturer's Department

Lecturer's New Address, Fair Booth Contest Info And Program Input...



Leslie Jo Wells

By Leslie Jo Wells
State Grange Lecturer

I have moved and my new address is 18232 201st Ave SE, Monroe, WA 98272. My phone number is still 360.306.0905. Please make this change anywhere you may have noted my address.

The Fair Booth program is our opportunity to improve public opinion of the Grange and the community it serves by telling the story of agriculture and our Grange activities that support our communities. As the Fair Season is winding down, it's time to showcase your Grange members' hard work by entering the Fair Booth Contest. The information and fully explained rules about the contest are located in the 2019 Program Handbook and on the WSG Website.

Your entry shall consist of a report (400 words maximum)

describing the display and shall be accompanied by photographs and/or newspaper clippings. The photos and clippings shall be mounted. Your report shall be no more than 8 total pages. The important thing to keep in mind is that your words and photos should be clear and concise because the judges cannot see the actual booth. There will be a minimum of three qualified judges who will use the criteria established and printed in the 2019 Program Handbook for judging. Entries must be post marked by October 31, 2019. Mail your entries to: Leslie Wells, WSG Lecturer, 18232 201st Ave SE, Monroe, WA 98272. (New address) Good Luck to everyone who enters and many thanks to WSG for sponsoring the monetary prizes awarded.

As we enter the last quarter of the year, most of our Granges will be electing officers for 2020.

I know that some Granges have difficulty getting someone to agree to be Lecturer but it is an important part of Grange. All of our meetings should include a program that entertains and/or challenges our members. As Lecturer, you individually don't have to do all of the programs for the year – ask your members to participate in planning and presenting programs. I would urge all Granges to elect someone to the Lecturer position.

The WSG Lecturer Team will be meeting in the next month to establish the department programs and contests for next year. We would appreciate any suggestions anyone may have that will enhance our programs and challenge our members. If you have an idea to share or changes to recommend please let me know - Email: lesliewells@att.net Phone: 360.306.0905.

Grange Insurance Assoc. Announces Scholarship Program For 2020-2021

Grange Insurance Association (GIA) Chairman of the Board, D. Thomas McKern, is pleased to announce that GIA will again fund 25 scholarships for the 2020 – 2021 school year, totaling \$33,500. In addition, GIA is honored to award the \$1,000 Paul and Ethel Holter Memorial Scholarship, funded by a gift of Mrs. Holter's estate, and the \$1,000 Dee and Ina McKern Memorial Scholarship, funded by a gift from the McKern family.

Applicants may apply for either an academic or a vocational scholarship. Three of the awards will be for students wishing to pursue vocational studies and 22 awards will be for academic studies. The top winner in each category will receive a \$2,500 award and the remaining winners will receive \$1,000 - \$2,000 each.

Eligibility requirements (applicants must meet one of the following):

1. Current GIA policyholder (or children of GIA policyholder)
 2. Children of current GIA company employees
 3. A previous recipient of a GIA scholarship
- Please note that children or legal wards of officers, directors or agents of GIA are ineligible.
- These scholarships may be used at any institution offering courses leading to a certificate or a degree in a recognized profession or vocation, including: community colleges, business colleges and technical institutes. Vocational scholarships are aimed specifically for those students not pursuing a college diploma, but seeking further education and/or training in a vocation often not covered by more traditional colleges or universities.
- The committee will base its awards on the following:
- Complete and legible

- application
- Scholastic ability (official grade transcript required)
 - Handwritten or typed Essay by Applicant
 - Please tell us about yourself, your family and your future goals
 - Also include any leadership or volunteer-related programs or projects in which you have been involved in high school, in the community, or elsewhere
 - What college, university, or trade school do you plan to attend and how will this scholarship assist you
- Application deadline is March 1, 2020. (Postmarked) Funds awarded for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Application forms can be downloaded at our website: www.grange.com**

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President's Message

Celebrate Our 2019 Accomplishments; Begin Plans To Insure 2020 Successes

By Tom Gwin
State Grange
Master/President

As we inch closer to the end of our Grange year, we want to take time to celebrate the past year's accomplishments and to chart our voyage for success in the future.

With the National Grange Convention coming up, it will indeed be an honor to represent the Washington State Grange. We have submitted 23 resolutions for consideration at the convention. In addition, I will be joined with a large youth delegation. Entries have been submitted for the Junior Grange contests, quilt blocks, photo contest, community service reports, and community recognition awards. Our delegation will include representatives from several Granges. We will represent our state with dignity and honor. Look on the State Grange facebook page for reports of our activities at the convention in Minnesota.

We have been notified that three Granges from our state will be recognized as Distinguished Granges for 2015-16. The Distinguished Grange Program honors Subordinate and State Granges that fulfill their responsibilities as part of the National Grange, while excelling in the areas of

membership, fundraising, and service to their communities. Our list of recipients includes: Goldendale Grange (Klickitat County), Oakview Grange (Lewis County) and Five Mile Prairie Grange (Spokane County). The Washington State Grange will be recognized as a Distinguished State Grange. Congratulations to each of the recipients on a job well

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-- Tom Gwin

done! Many of our Granges will be recognized as "Granges In Action". We had over 50 Granges submit their poster pages. A complete list will be in the next issue.

The Junior Grange camp directors met in October to report on their camping programs for the year. All camps reported excellent camping sessions with no major problems. The camps reported nearly 450 kids attended camp this summer. The campers were supported by 80 teen counselors and 80 adult staff members.



Tom Gwin

The camp directors, their volunteer board members, counselors and staff members are all to be commended for providing outstanding camping experiences for our Junior Grangers. Thank you, as well, to the many Granges and Grange members who financially supported our kids so they could attend camp this summer.

This is the time of year when Booster Programs and winding down and holiday activities are revving up. Many Grange have or soon will be electing officers for the next year. Select your Grange leaders with care. Know the goals and objectives of each candidate and select the ones that will make your Grange successful. After the election is complete, each Grange needs to chart their voyage for the coming year by setting goals and planning the year's activities. The voyage we take is ours to plan. Let's hope that this year's voyage takes us to new and exciting places that will allow us to grow and prosper in our communities.

From all of us here at the State Office, best wishes for a fruitful Thanksgiving. Please call upon us if we can assist you in any way possible.

Legislative

What happens to resolutions after convention?



Heather Hansen

By Heather Hansen
Legislative Lobbyist

During convention, Grange policy is discussed in committees, then debated by the body. Resolutions that began at our local Subordinate or Pomona Granges, pass or fail at a vote of the Delegate Body. When a resolution passes, what happens next? This year, many of the resolutions that passed related to national issues were forwarded to the National Grange. When Master Tom Gwin attends the national convention, he will help to shepherd the Washington resolutions through the national process. As Chair of the Conservation Committee, he is in an excellent position to make sure Washington's voice is heard.

Some resolutions focus on local issues such as the resolution put forward by McMillan Grange about a round-a-bout on Highway 162. For issues of local importance, it is up to the Subordinate or Pomona Grange, who wrote the resolutions, to take the next steps. Contact your local legislators, county officials and explain your concerns. Some issues require legislation, some can be dealt with by a state or county agency. Your legislators or your county commissioners can help you figure out where to begin. If you do not know how to contact your legislators, the State Grange office can help with that.

But what about the resolutions that focus on state issues? Pierce County Pomona brought forward a resolution to end red light cameras. While this topic could affect many people, it is

not an issue that many groups would work. To get action on a specific topic like this, go to your local legislators and ask for their help. Everyone has two state representatives and one state senator. They sit on different committees and have different interests. Look up your legislators and their committees online. (Pierce County includes multiple legislative districts, so there are many legislators to reach out to). Find one who sits on the transportation committee and ask for a meeting. Working with your local legislators is the best way to get an issue moving.

Some issues, such as taxes, are broad and affect many constituent groups. Humptulips Grange brought forth a resolution supporting existing tax preferences for agriculture and opposing legislation that would remove those preferences. When the legislative session begins in January, there will likely be multiple bills dealing with taxes. Many agricultural organizations will be watching this topic. As your lobbyist, I will monitor all those bills and determine which ones will affect agriculture. I will work with other agricultural organizations to try to stop any bill that would be harmful to agriculture. But we will need your help as well. We may issue a call to action asking you to contact your legislators and ask them to help stop or move a bill. We may ask for stories about how a change in tax law would affect your farm or your family. Public policy works best when citizens are involved at the local level.

WA State Grange Is Purging Their Grange News Mailing List

The Washington State Grange is purging their mailing list for future issues of The Grange News. Only fraternal and associate members will continue receiving the newspaper. Supportive members (those with Grange Insurance) will no longer receive this newspaper. We have also purged the complimentary issue list.

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Granges Present Quilts of Valor

Members of East Hill, Meridian, King County Pomona Youth and East Hill Jr Granges made Freedom Quilts as part of the Quilts of Valor program. Quilts of Valor is a non-profit foundation whose goal is to cover ALL physically or psychologically wounded servicemembers with a freedom quilt, honoring them for their sacrifices. The movement was originally started by Catherine Roberts of Seaford, DE in 2003 but has now spread across the United States and even has an international presence. Quilts of Valor is a project of the National Grange, and the Washington State Grange.



Terry Beckler Served in the Marines.



David Fullerton served in the Army.



Kelly McNutt served in the Marines.



Jack Hendrickson served in the Army; pictured with wife June holding her lap quilt.



(left to right) Terry Beckler of Cedar Grange, served in the Marines. Sandi McNutt, wife of Kelly McNutt of Meridian Grange. Kelly (seated) served in the Marines. David Fullerton (seated) of Meridian Grange served in the Army. June Hendrickson, wife of Jack Hendrickson, and then (right) Jack Hendrickson of Steele Lake Highline Grange, who served in the Army.

Ralston Grange Holds Fall Fest



Ralston Grange held it's "Fall Fest" on October 20. Games, crafts, and snacks were enjoyed by about 50 children.



Lower Naches Grange Serves Lunch For Yakima 4-H Awards



On October 26th, for community service, Lower Naches Grange hosted and served lunch for the Annual Yakima County 4-H Awards Celebration.

George Penner Appointed To State Executive Committee

George Penner, the Master of Molson Grange and Okanogan County Pomona, was appointed to the vacant position on the State Grange Executive Committee left by the resignation of June Hendrickson. Penner was installed at the State Grange Executive Committee meeting on October 29. He previously served on the State Grange Executive Committee from 2011 to 2017. Penner will serve in the position until the 2020 State Grange Convention, at which time an election will be held for the one year remaining on the term.

Grange News Sets Advertising Rates

After a review of current rates, the Washington State Grange has established the following advertising rates for The Grange News, beginning in December 2019:

Display Advertising

- 1/8 page - \$200 (per issue)
- ¼ page - \$360 (per issue)
- ½ page - \$700 (per issue)
- Full Page - \$1350 (per issue)

All copy is subject to publisher’s approval. No liquor, tobacco, or cannabis accepted. Advertising which stimulates editorial content will be clearly labeled “Paid Advertisement”. Political advertising must be paid in advance. Camera ready digital images must be provided.

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<i>Cost per word</i>	<i>one month</i>	<i>4 or more months</i>
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Word count: hyphens, spaces and X’s separate words. Phone numbers count as one word.

We do not print ads for 900 number services.

Deadline: 5th of each month (for the following month’s paper). Classified ads must be paid in advance. Tear sheets not sent for classified ads.

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Let us help you buy or sell with a classified ad!

<u>Cost per word</u>	<u>one month</u>	<u>4 or more</u>
Regular	\$.50	\$.40
Boxed	1.00	.75
Centered or reversed text	\$2.50/line	
Minimum for one month	\$5.00	

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Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

Youth

Youth Group To Be Well Represented At National Grange Convention

By Jerry Gwin
State Youth Director

The Washington State Grange Youth Group will be well represented at the 2019 National Grange Convention in Bloomington, MN. Several youth members are in the final stages of convention preparations.

Alexis Kudsk (Haynie Grange) will represent our state in the Horizon Youth Ambassador Program. Alexis has spent the past few months preparing herself with her scrapbook creation and brushing up on her interview skills.

We will be represented by four youth members who have been selected for the National Grange Youth Officer Team: Isabella Lierman (Horseshoe), Skylar Zaborac (Humptulips), Georgia Clark (North River), and Lane Smith (Humptulips). The Youth Officer Team will



Jerry Gwin

open the session on Friday morning of the convention. All four are busy learning their parts for the opening. Skylar has also written the entrance drill for the youth officers.

Jonathan Pittman (Moses Lake) will be serving as the John Trimble Legislative Experience Award. Jonny will be serving on one of the delegate committees and participating in the discussions of the delegate session.

2019 National Grange Patron Brittney Oliver (Moses Lake/Collins) will retire from her position at the convention. She will be busy assisting with the youth activities during the convention.

We certainly hope many of our youth will participate in the 2020 Grange Youth Program. The 2020 convention will be held in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Details on the 2020 youth programs will be in our 2020 Youth Program Guide, available in late December.

Junior Connection

EAST HILL JUNIOR GRANGE

East Hill Junior Grangers have been busy at Junior Grange camps this past summer as well as putting in Fair Displays at King County Fair, The Evergreen State Fair in Monroe as well as The Yakima fair. We are looking for new members as we graduated all but 4 members.

HUMPTULIPS JUNIOR GRANGE

Humptulips Junior Grange will meet on November 30 at 10 a.m. for a business meeting, followed by Christmas crafts and a food preservation activity. We will be providing oranges and goodie bags for the Humptulips Food Bank for Christmas.

Celebrating Community Service: The Dictionary Project



The idea for The Dictionary Project (commonly referred to as “Words for Thirds”) began in 1992 when Annie Plummer of Savannah, Georgia gave 50 dictionaries to children who attended a school close to her home. In her lifetime she raised the money to buy 17,000 dictionaries for children in Savannah. Annie Plummer died December 23, 1999, but her dream did not die with her. She inspired the creation of The Dictionary Project, a nonprofit organization.

The Dictionary Project was created in 1995 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in South Carolina to provide dictionaries to third graders in the public schools in the three counties surrounding Charleston. In 2001 the project was expanded to cover third graders in all of South Carolina’s public schools.

The project grew tremendously after it was featured in an article on the front page of The Wall Street Journal on March 4, 2002. As a



result, individuals and groups from across the United States, including the Grange, became involved with The Dictionary Project and sponsored the donation of dictionaries to children in their local schools.

Pictured Above:

(left) Happy Valley Grange members Jeannine Luce and Ruth Neilson presented over 300 dictionaries to students in the Riverview School District. Students loved their new books and also learning that October 16 was National Dictionary Day.

(right) Members of Catlin Grange delivered Third Grade Dictionaries to Ms. Potters Class at St. Helens Elementary School in Longview, WA. They also gave Dictionaries to students at Northlake and Kessler Elementary in Longview, WA, for a total of 168 students. Grange members in the picture are, far left, Marvin Wilburn and Jim Hedges on the right by the teacher Ms Potter. Picture by Tena Hedges.

Juniors

Introducing New Junior Director Heather Ferguson



Heather Ferguson

By Heather Ferguson
Junior Grange Director

I am excited and honored to be chosen as the new Washington State Junior Director. At the moment, I am trying to learn the position and everything that needs to be accomplished. It is going to be a challenge and hopefully a lot of fun.

If you don’t know me, I am a sixth generation Granger and began my Grange career as a baby being passed around the meeting to all of my Grange grandmas. I was active in the Waitsburg Junior Grange and attended Camp Wooten as a Junior Granger. As a Youth, I joined Waitsburg Grange #1 and became active in the local, state and National Youth programs as well as the state camping program as a counselor at Camp Wooten and Coronet Bay junior camps. I am still a member of Waitsburg Grange #1 and Columbia County Pomona #56 and serve as Lecturer for both.

I graduated with a Masters degree in Museum Studies-Education from the University of Oklahoma. I then went on to work for a history museum as a staff Museum Educator for 12 years. The majority of this position was teaching history to all ages both at the museum and in school classrooms or various places in the community with a mobile museum program. New educational programs development and research made up my remaining responsibilities.

My interests and expertise lie in the Regency time period, American Civil War, the Oregon Trail and the pioneering West, particularly their clothing, textiles and everyday necessities. I can often be found researching, dressed or making historic reproductions of the clothing found in these time periods.

Enough about the past, let us focus on the future of our Grange, the Juniors. During the next few months be on the look-out for hints of what the 2020 Junior Grange program will look like. Everything is still in its planning stages but there are a lot of good ideas that will hopefully encourage our Juniors to be more active and give them more projects to work on. National Grange has also been working on many new and exciting programs that will necessitate changes to some of our States existing programs.

I am excited and honored to fill this position and cannot thank Jennifer and Marvin Oliver enough for all of their hard work and time spent on the Junior Grange program. Lets get our Juniors more excited, active and involved!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 NATIONAL YOUTH OFFICER TEAM!

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Barberton Grange Successful Pie Making Season Underway

October was the start of our pie making season here at Barberton Grange. We made a total of 41 pies, donated 8 to CDM adult day care and the with the remaining 33 we sold out at our monthly breakfast. More pie baking scheduled for November.



Call To Grange Legislative Action: Reauthorization Of The Stelar Act

Granges, especially those in rural areas, are asked to contact Senator Maria Cantwell, who serves at the ranking minority member on the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation regarding the reauthorization of the Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act (STELAR). The current act expires on December 31, 2019.

Below is a transcript of the letter sent by National Grange Master Betsy Huber:

“When it comes to obtaining access to basic services, rural communities are prone to experiencing gaps or interruptions. Television content is unfortunately no different. Unless Congress moves quickly to reauthorize the of Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act Reauthorization (STELAR), over 870,000 satellite TV customers, mostly in rural areas, will lose basic protections that afford them access to basic broadcast network programming in places where over-the-air signals can’t reach.

Rural residents should not be

needlessly punished and their access to network entertainment should not be curtailed because they live in a less convenient area to service. Therefore, the National Grange urges your support for prompt STELAR reauthorization before it expires on December 31, 2019. This important legislation will help preserve the connectivity of hardworking, rural communities by providing them access to local news, sports, and other programming of their choice.

Technical limitations make it difficult for many residents in small towns and rural communities to watch broadcasting from one of the “big four” networks without STELAR reauthorization. STELAR contains a key provision that enables satellite and pay-TV providers to import broadcast signals to these communities without interruption.

Our members depend on STELAR not just to access network programming, but also to keep their service affordable because STELAR encourages good-faith negotiations between broadcasters and

satellite providers. This law’s importance cannot be overstated: its provisions serve as the single set of rules that help to protect consumers from programming “blackouts,” which broadcasters deploy to extract retransmission fee increases from rural residents and small businesses.

Congress must take prompt action to ensure that STELAR’s protections remain in place. This law’s reauthorization has always had strong bipartisan support; when STELAR was last considered in 2014 it passed Congress unanimously. Reauthorization before the law expires at the end of this year will demonstrate that Congress is truly committed to preserving rural Americans’ access to information and entertainment.”

Each Grange in the State of Washington is asked to contact Senator Cantwell asking for reauthorization of the STELAR Act. For those Granges needing assistance in crafting a letter to Senator Cantwell, please contact Tom Gurr at 206-660-1262.

Welcome New Members

GRANGES WITH MEMBERSHIP GAINS August/September 2019

	# Joined	Jr. +1
Adna #417.....	1	
Shirley Billings		
Black Lake #861.....	1	
Priscilla Mayo		
Buena #836.....	1	
Melinda Derrey		
Columbia Valley #938	1	
Jacob Lyle		
East Hill #786.....	1	
Beth Bradly		
East Wenatchee #1012	2	
Gerald H Gengler , B Wayne Dresker.....		
Enterprise #784	6	
Steve Clapp, Althea Clapp, Pete Peterson Becky Peterson, Roy Lamm, Bridgette Lamm		
Five Mile Prairie #905	0	3
Fruitland #999	1	
Allen Hursh		
Greenwood Park #590	1	
David Cummins		
Haynie #169	0	2
Hope #155.....	1	
Ronetta McConnell		
Issaquah Valley #581	0	3
Meridian #265	1	
Norma J Constantine		
Minnehaha #164	1	
Deanna Sutton		
Moran Prairie #161.....	1	
Mel Wood		
Oakview #311.....	4	
Ryan White, Rebekah Escobar David Escobar, Renee Bates		
Olalla #1125	1	
Jodi Marasco		
Pleasant Hill #101.....	3	
Bill Kielman, Pamela Kielman, Scott Smith		
Prosperity #315	3	
Micky Vogel, Heather Johnson, Heather Sparkman		
Quillisascut #372.....	3	
Thomas Fishler, Anita Fishler, Gabriele Bartelheimer		
Quimper #720	3	
Ed Boring, Katheen Hudson, Janice Eklund		
Ralston #943.....	10	3
Barbara Jolly, Jennifer Noser, Aaron Noser Beverly Cobb, Linda Key, Luke McRae, Marsha Smith Robert Shockley, Joann Shockley, John Gielisch		
Sammamish Valley #286	5	
Andrew Ely, John Hughes, Deborah Poarch Silvia Basanilh, Cosettle Clinton		
San Juan #966.....	6	
Gavia Boyden, Eric Geiger, Gay Graham, Ron Hanson Sharon Lannan, Grace Lembo		
Selah Heights #608	1	
Peggy Campbell		
SilverCreek/Ethel #150	1	
Jeremy Shodgress		
Skamokawa #425.....	1	
Leah Cristaldi		
Skokomish #379	2	
Kim Randall, Mina Randall		
Skookumchuck #584.....	5	
Lucas Mullen, Judy McWhinney, Martha Mouge JoJo McWhinney, Kara McWhinney		
South Bay #250	3	
Sally Jacky, James Clinton, Natalie Rambeaut		
South Camano #930	3	
Robert Biggar, Tracy Gilroy, Mason Hinn		
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Stevenson #121	1	
Liz Green		
Twanoh #1118	2	
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"Cultivate the habit of looking for better and brighter days, instead of mourning over the past."

OVERSEER, THIRD DEGREE

The Membership Corner

Visioning the Future of Your Grange

As we begin to wind our year down, now is the perfect time to look at the future of your Grange and begin setting goals for the new year. The year 2020 is sure to bring us “perfect vision”!

What are your wants and needs for your Grange? How many new members would you like to welcome in this next year? Have you identified what your community needs from your Grange? These are just a few of the questions we can ask ourselves as we begin our work. Here are a few things to consider as you begin your discussions.

Visioning for the Future:

A vision is an attainable dream for your Grange. If everything were the way you wanted, the result would be your vision. A vision is your Granges direction, its incentive, and its hopes. With a clear vision, leadership may change but the Grange can continue moving in the same direction.

What is the mission of your Grange? Where does it need to go to grow?

These are the two critical questions you must first answer. As leader’s, you must provide opportunities for growth and the vision needs to set forth direction to do so.

Some believe that visions should be like a mission, others believe that visions should be more measurable than that. The following describes a vision that is measurable.

- Grange Visions may include elements such as:
- Size of the Grange
 - Influence or Image
 - Leadership in the Grange
 - Service to Members
 - Service to the Community
 - Training

Other areas that will accomplish the mission of your Grange may also be included. A vision is like a globe, it doesn’t contain all the little roads and towns you will pass through but shows the big picture. The small details will be the goals or local maps to accomplish individual parts of the vision. Items such as to have a pancake breakfast would not be part of the vision. The breakfast might be one goal of many to accomplish the vision.

- Visions have five elements:
- Leadership initiated
 - Shared with and Supported by the Team
 - Positive and Inspiring
 - Difficult but Attainable
 - Measurable

The vision of your Grange is highly important in giving direction to your Grange. It will positively affect the attitudes of the members and give them common goals to work for.

The vision must be positive and inspiring.

To do so, it must call for action. A vision with action equals a dream, while a vision with no action equals nothing. Every statement in a Vision must be positive and do something, such as, “Our Grange will have 50 members at each meeting.” A vision statement such as this requires a Grange to set goals to reach their vision. The people, who a viable organization must attract, are willing to follow a dream but they will not waste their time. Your vision must inspire your members to positive action.

All the elements of your vision must be attainable.

They should be difficult, but your members must believe that it is possible, even if it may be difficult or even challenging to be accomplished. Unattainable visions discourage people and may prevent them from even attempting the possible. Attainable visions encourage people to give their best and can often make “miracles” happen.

Visions must be measurable.

People must know when they have achieved a part of the vision. One achievement may ignite the membership to complete the vision and set a new vision for the future. Without a measurable vision you and your Grange can never tell whether you are moving forward or not. With a measurable vision the leadership of your Grange is also accountable to the membership for the success or failure of the goals leading toward the vision. People whom the Grange wishes and needs to attract value their time. The Vision will show them what they are working for.

Share the Vision.

Once the vision statement is in place the real work begins. Most importantly, the Grange must begin setting both short-term and long-term goals to accomplish their vision. Without goals and planning the vision can never be achieved.

How Can the Washington State Grange Help?

We have created a membership t-shirt with our State Grange Mission Statement on it. Order forms can be found in this issue of the Grange News. Our first bulk order will be placed on December 5th. These were created so that when Granges hold events or work a fair/food/information booth or a parade, everyone is in the same attire making it more attractive to visitors as well as creating an impact. We also look more professional and enticing to others.

Did you know that State Grange can make a personalized membership application just for your Grange? If you are interested, please email Cherri Crain at ccrain@wa-grange.org with a photo of your Grange and any additional information you would like added.

We also created large and small banners to hang at your events which are both attractive and eye catching. For more information on banners, membership applications, brochures and holders, please contact Sophia Keller at skeller@wa-grange.org



Rose Valley Days Raises Funds For Grange Roof



Rose Valley Grange participated in the Rose Valley Days fundraiser in September. The Grange had three bands playing music, games for kids, and great food. The Rose Valley School and Church donated their proceeds from the event to the fund for a new roof on the Grange hall.

Green Bluff Grange Serves Breakfast

Green Bluff Grange has been busy the last 4 Sundays with their “All you can eat applesauce, pancakes, sausage, and eggs” breakfast which were very well attended. During those Sundays people were also visiting our Harvest Festival vendors.



Grange Camper Clubs

Lazy Crazy 8’s Camper Club have been very busy with our Grange life that our camping has been sparse this year. We are planning on camping or getting together in November. The Christmas Party in December will be held at the Beckler’s.

Six Weeks Of Junior Grange Camp



Camp Mayfield



Camp Morehead

Leads To A Lifetime Of Memories



Cornet Bay Camp



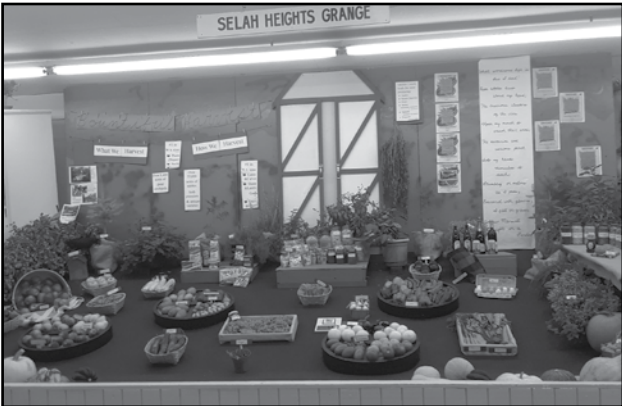
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Fair Time Memories

Grange Displays At The Central Washington Fair in Yakima



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Selah Heights Grange



Yakima Pomona Grange



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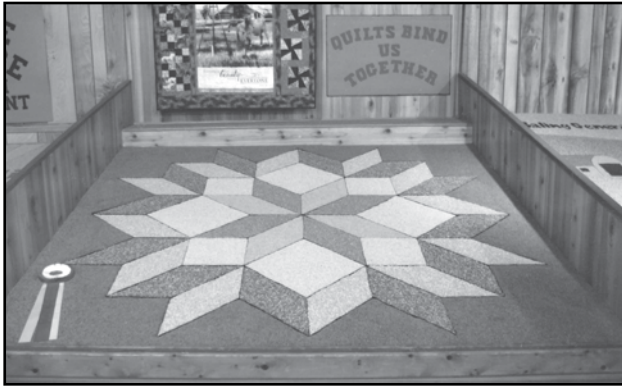


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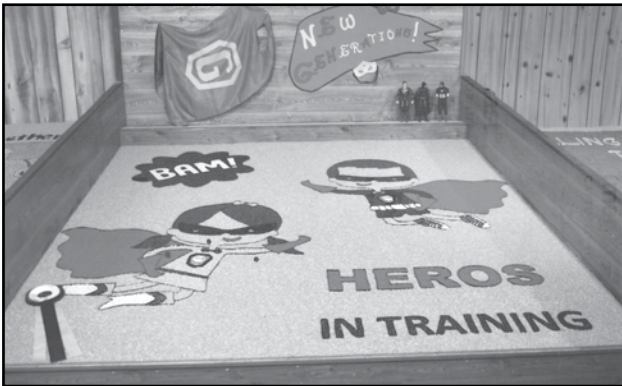
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Whitman County Junior Grange



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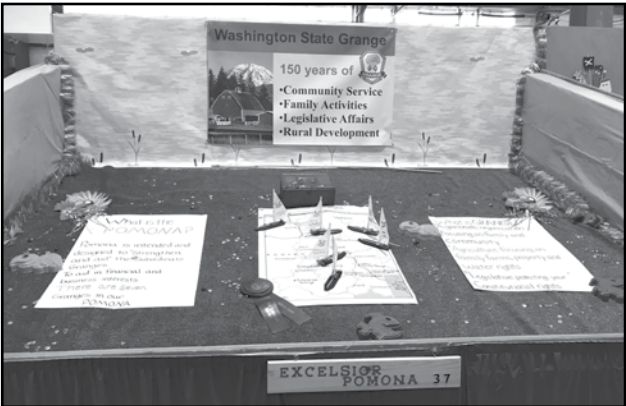
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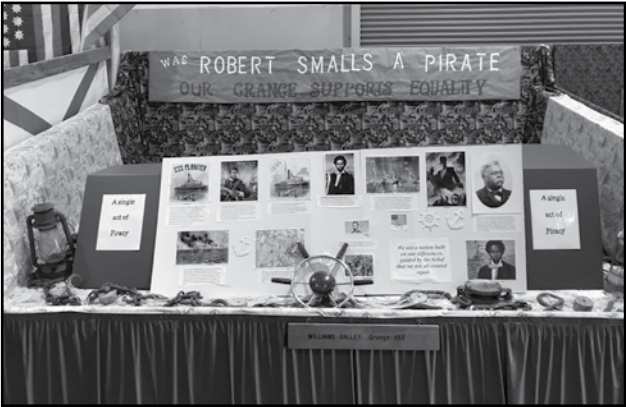
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Greenwood Park Grange



Williams Valley Grange



And Also At The Spokane Interstate Fair ...

Five Mile Prairie Grange #905 members pose with the three trophies earned by their fair booth at the 2019 Interstate Fair in Spokane - First Place; the Ellsworth C. French memorial trophy for Attractiveness; and People's Choice. A great team effort!

Junior Grange Displays At The Spokane Interstate Fair



Camas Valley Junior Grange



Camp NEWA Junior Grange



Williams Valley Juniors - a group of 1+ Junior Members

Home & Family

Family Living

Introducing the 2020 Family Living Team

By Helen Berg
Family Living Director

WOW It just does not seem possible that fall is here. Now would be a great time to be planning a baking workshop to get ready for the holidays which will be here before we know it. Share some of your talent with someone who wants to learn. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce my team as it stands at this point. Vicki Loomer has consented to return. She has been a great asset

in the Family Living display room as well as fielding many questions about the contests. Mike and Susie Fair from Black Lake Grange are going to join us. Mike has volunteered in the Family Living area hanging quilts, manning a department when needed and just being available to call on. Florence Ogden from Sunnyside Grange has been a participant in the needlework contests and now that she is retired is willing to join us. I first met Florence at Camp Illihee when I went as a

counselor and she was in my cabin. Little did I know she would marry my cousin. I count it a blessing to work with her. I have asked Chris Hamp to help with the Quilts of Valor project. She will be looking for recipients. As we enter this Thanksgiving season let us be thankful for what we are blessed with. Homes, family, food, a warm bed, friends and so much more. Have a blessed Thanksgiving.



Helen Berg



Celebrate the Season with Enjoyable Desserts

(Courtesy of Family Features)

Whether you're huddled around the fireplace, gathered at the table or strolling through a winter wonderland, the holidays are all about enjoying pure and memorable moments with family and friends. With all of the seasonal gatherings, you can certainly expect that almost any host or guest will attempt to provide a classic holiday treat for everyone to enjoy.

This year, you can give your traditional holiday bake a refreshing twist sure to spread all kinds of holiday cheer with this Enjoymint Peppermint Pie topped with Homemade Whipped Cream, which can be easily whipped up with less than 10 ingredients total.

From pumpkin pies to gingerbread cookies and everything in-between, an option like DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream can be a must-have kitchen staple this season, one you can feel good about knowing it's sourced from trusted dairies.

For more recipes for the holidays and every day, visit DairyPure.com, and find DairyPure on Facebook, Instagram and Pinterest.

Enjoymint Peppermint Pie

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

- Ingredients:**
- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
 - 1/4 cup cold water
 - 2 1/2 cups DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream, divided
 - 8 ounces soft peppermint candy
 - 1 chocolate cookie crust
 - crushed peppermint candies, for garnish

Soften gelatin in water; set aside. In small saucepan over low heat, cook 1/2 cup whipping cream with candy until candy melts. Add gelatin; mix well. Whip remaining whipping cream. Let gelatin mixture cool and fold in whipped cream, reserving 1/2 cup for garnish. Pour into crust. Chill. Before serving, top with reserved whipped cream and crushed peppermint candies.

Homemade Whipped Cream

- Ingredients:**
- 2 tablespoons granulated or confectioners' sugar
 - 2 cups DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract or liqueur

In chilled glass bowl, add sugar to whipping cream. Using whisk or hand mixer, incorporate sugar into heavy whipping cream until it begins to thicken, leaving visible trails. Continue to whip until soft peaks start to form. Fold in vanilla extract or liqueur. Serve immediately or refrigerate and remix 1-2 minutes before serving.

Stranger Creek Grange Hosts Tea & Quilt Event

Stranger Creek Grange #374 in Stevens County WA hosted a Tea and Quilt on October 12. Ladies were encouraged to bring a quilt and a story about it's history. It was fun to hear how old some of the quilts were and how beautiful they still were. There was even one made out of T-shirts as a memorial to a sister who had passed away. It was a great way to meet new neighbors and reconnect with old ones. We are looking forward to planning another for next year.



Now's a Great Time to Support the Washington State Grange Foundation

Here's how you can help:



Do you shop at Amazon?
Did you know your purchases can make a difference? AmazonSmile will donate to the Washington State Grange Foundation when you do your shopping at smile.amazon.com/ch/91-6064592 (you can also search by our name, the Washington State Grange Foundation). By remembering to shop at smile.amazon.com, Washington State Grange

Foundation can significantly increase its AmazonSmile donations (you MUST shop at AmazonSmile not just the normal Amazon website).

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Support the Washington State Grange Foundation just by shopping at Fred Meyer with your Rewards Card. You are now able to link your Rewards Card to your favorite nonprofit by visiting customer service desk at your local Fred Meyer or by creating an account online and linking your rewards card to the Washington State Grange Foundation (account # DI486). Whenever you use your Rewards Card when shopping at Freddy's, you will be helping our organization earn a donation from Fred Meyer. They are donating \$2.6 million each year - up to \$650,000 each quarter - to the local schools, community organizations and nonprofits of your choice. All you have to do is link your Rewards Card and scan it every time you shop at Fred Meyer.



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National Grange News

View From The Hill - Fall 2019 Wrap Up

By Burton Eller
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Grange Fly-In and Campaign for President

Mark your calendar for February 7-9, 2020 to come to New Hampshire and participate in the "First in the Nation" presidential primary. As has become a National Grange tradition, we will take the Grange Fly-In on the road to work on presidential campaigns of your choice the weekend prior to the first national primary balloting on Tuesday in New Hampshire. We will visit the historic N.H. state capital building in Concord, work on campaigns in Manchester, visit the headquarters for national and international media covering the candidates and campaigns, and look for opportunities to rub shoulders with the next President of the United States. In 2016, a major portion of participants were high school and college students, so grab your student and hold the dates of February 7-9. Watch for hotel reservations and additional information.

Agriculture and Food

Long-Awaited Hemp Rules
Everyone in the hemp chain from grower to processor to consumer has been anxiously waiting for the USDA regulations governing industrial hemp that were announced October 29. These regulations will govern the

approval of plans submitted by states and Indian tribes for the domestic production of hemp by licensed growers. The rule lays out procedures for tracking land where hemp is grown, testing concentration levels of THC (the psychoactive ingredient), disposal of non-compliant plants, and sharing information with law enforcement. Interested growers should contact their state department of agriculture for a license. In the meantime, growers of the 2019 hemp crop are struggling to find sufficient processing capacity.

Good Ozone News
The hole in the Earth's ozone layer has shrunk to the smallest size on record since it was discovered in 1982, according to scientists at NASA. The hole that naturally grows and shrinks every year due to temperatures in the Arctic is determined to be a normal yearly phenomenon related to the ban on ozone-harming chemicals and not related to climate change.

Farm Finances Deteriorate
The Federal Reserve Bank says farm conditions continue to deteriorate across the country because of bad weather, weak commodity prices and trade disruptions. The upper Midwest seems to have suffered most where in addition to low prices, crop yields could decrease 10-20 percent.

Profile of New and Beginning Farmers
USDA's latest overview report

of beginning farms and farmers finds:
Beginning farmers are more likely to rely on off-farm income. They are generally smaller and younger than established farms. Beginning farmers have higher debt-to-asset ratios, are more likely to receive government payments, and to receive financing from FSA. They tend to specialize in beef cattle and row crops.

Grange Supports Research
The National Grange continues to urge Congress to pass the America Grows Act, S.2458 and H.R. 4174 introduced by Senator Durbin (D-IL) and Representative Bustos (D-IL). These bills authorize a 5 percent annual increase in USDA research funding for the next 5 years.

Health Care
Health Care Moves to Center Stage
At both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue and most of the space between, drug prices, surprise medical bills, drug rebates, imported drugs, copays, premiums, Part D, Part B, Medicare for some and Medicare for all is Washington's elephant-in-the-room political footfall this Fall. The President has a plan, the Senate Finance Committee has a plan and House Speaker Pelosi has a plan. There are good and bad sections of all these plans, but they're far apart philosophically. Compromise is now a foreign language in Washington so a near-term end game is difficult to see. The National Grange will continue to fight for the good of patients as these plans unfold.

Patient First?
The National Grange joined the Academy of Physicians in Clinical Research in urging Congress to restore the patient as the central focus of their health care efforts. The Office of Inspector General at HHS found that in 2017, Part D beneficiaries experienced 84 million rejections when they tried to fill a prescription, but 73% of these denials were wholly or partially overturned when appealed. Unfortunately for patients with progressive, degenerative conditions the disease advances unchecked during the weeks or months the insurer drags out the appeal only to acknowledge the prescription should have been filled in the first place.

What About the Pay-For?
The Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget is a nonpartisan, nonprofit group, former members of Congress, former Cabinet officials, economists and other professionals committed to educating the public on issues with significant fiscal policy impact. The Committee found Medicare for All could be financed by largely unrealistic options such as:
• A 32% payroll tax
• A 25% income surtax
• A 42% value-added tax
• More than doubling individual and corporate tax rates
• An 80% reduction in non-health federal spending
• "Cadillac Tax" Repeal

The National Grange is urging Senators to permanently repeal the 40% "Cadillac Tax" on employer sponsored health coverage. The bill, S.684, Middle Class Health Benefits Tax Repeal Act of 2019 has 63 cosponsors in the Senate. The House passed a similar measure 419-6.

Immigration/AG Workforce
Representatives Zoe Lofgren (D-CA) and Dan Newhouse (R-WA) introduced their bipartisan Farm Workforce Modernization Act to overhaul agriculture labor programs on October 30. The Ag Workforce Coalition worked with the sponsors on the legislation. The Act would allow ag workers to earn legal status, limit ag worker wage fluctuations, increase access to green cards, authorize year-round workers and establish a mandatory E-Verify system for ag workers.
Backing for the bill includes the United Farm Workers and most ag groups. The National Grange will work hard to get an ag worker bill through Congress and the White House.

Telecommunications
STELAR Reauthorization
Approximately 870,000 Americans are not served by major broadcast networks such as ABC, NBC, CBS and Fox. The Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act Reauthorization (STELAR) Act protects consumers by encouraging broadcasters to negotiate in good faith with satellite providers for national, regional and local programming. The National Grange is urging Congress to renew this important legislation to allow isolated rural areas to

continue receiving pertinent and affordable programming.
Support for Lifeline Voice Service
National Grange is asking Senators to weigh in with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to urge the FCC to rethink their plans to eliminate full support for voice service until the FCC concludes its 2021 Lifeline Study. The FCC plans to drop support for voice services on December 31. A whopping 42 percent of Lifeline customers subscribe to plans that qualify based on their voice service offering.

Support for USDA ReConnect Program
National Grange joined multiple rural service providers to urge the leadership of the Senate Appropriations Committee to include \$605 million in their Agriculture Appropriations Bill for the USDA Broadband ReConnect Program. The House bill does include \$605 million for ReConnect.

Trade
China Trade War Continues with Hope
By all accounts U.S. and Chinese negotiators plan to finish "phase one" of their trade deal by mid-November. The Administration maintains the deal includes Chinese pledges to purchase \$40-\$50 billion in U.S. agriculture commodities annually. The agriculture community is guardedly optimistic "phase one" can come to fruition but is anxiously awaiting final details. Analysts predict additional phases of the deal that lift tariffs and solve issues of technology and intellectual property are much more difficult to negotiate and will take much longer.

USMCA Close Yet so Far
The United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) is set to replace the North American Free trade Agreement (NAFTA). USMCA has wide bipartisan backing along with industry and labor support, but a few members of Congress keep moving the goal posts. Mexico has already ratified the agreement and Canada has committed to complete their ratification process as soon as the U.S. House of Representatives brings it up for a vote. A vote by Thanksgiving is still possible.



National Grange Fly-In 2020

First in the Nation Primary



TENTATIVE DATES: FEBRUARY 7-9, 2020
MANCHESTER & CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Grangers stay in the state capital of Concord to receive issue briefings and learn about the origins of "First in the Nation" primary and the many early historical events there. Participants then travel to Manchester where all the campaigns will be headquartered.

Grangers will have the opportunity to work on the campaign or campaigns of their choice for a day, then visit the headquarters for national and international media which will be reporting on the candidates.

These dates are tentative until New Hampshire officially announces what we currently expect to be their voting date: February 11. Fun fact: If another state happens to announce an earlier date for their primary, New Hampshire can set their vote earlier on order to remain first in the nation.

Grange Connection

ADAMS COUNTY

Ralston Grange held it's "Fall Fest" on October 20. Games, crafts, and snacks were enjoyed by about 50 children. The "Veteran's Appreciation Dinner" will be held on Tuesday, November 19 beginning with a potluck at 6:00 p.m. followed by the program. The Grange will provide turkey and ham with those attending asked to bring a potluck dish or two to share. The last event for 2019 will be the annual Christmas Potluck and Party on Sunday, December 15 starting with a potluck dinner at 5:00 p.m. followed by the party with a visit from Santa expected.

CLARK COUNTY

Barberton Grange held their monthly dinner and karaoke night on October 24. We served a meatloaf dinner then a night of karaoke led by our Grange Master Matt Hodges. Thanks to our cooks and kitchen help Tammie Hodges, Shirley Heffel and Beverly McGuire. Our normal meeting night is the 4th Thursday of every month but we're taking a break from it November and December due to the holidays.

COWLITZ COUNTY

Pleasant Hill Grange will hold their annual bazaar and bake sale on November 8 & 9, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The Grange will have a potluck and regular business meeting on November 120 at 6:30 p.m. The Christmas Party and Booster Night will be on December 8 at 2 p.m.

Rose Valley Grange will hold its annual bazaar on December 7. Table rentals are still available. Contact Nicole for more info. A portion of the proceeds will go to help Fire Fighter Mike Zainfield's family.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Columbia Valley Grange has completed repairs to their hall where they had outside water damage last winter. Plans have been made for painting the interior hall walls later this month. The Junior Grange Bazaar is scheduled for November 30 at the hall. This year's Community Christmas dinner and Santa program is planned for December 8 beginning at 2:00 PM.

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

Humtulpips Grange will hold their Annual Turkey Bingo on Saturday, November 16 at 7 p.m. Eighteen turkeys will be awarded during the 16 bingo games and two blackouts. Gift card bingo will be held on December 7, while the Junior Grange will have bingo on December 14. The Grange's Annual Christmas Dinner will be on Friday, December 13 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Sharon Grange family living ladies are gearing up for the upcoming Country Christmas Bazaar held at the Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds in Elma the week before thanksgiving. We sell lots of yummy baked goods to raise money for CHISTMAS FOR KIDS in Grays Harbor.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Chimacum Grange will host Cliff Moore, the new director of Jefferson County WSU Extension at their meeting on November 13 at 7 p.m. A potluck will begin at 6:30 p.m. We hope to have a brainstorming session with Cliff and others about how the Grange can integrate its educational efforts with WSU, the 4H, and intern programs. The Grange continues to bring in excellent speakers the second Wednesday of every month.

KING COUNTY

East Hill Grange has been very busy putting in Fair Displays at the King County Fair, The Evergreen State Fair (Monroe), The Washington State Fair (Puyallup) Also put a Junior display at the Yakima Fair. Some of our members helped Meridian Grange make Quilts of Valor for our King County Grange members. We also had members volunteer at the Junior Grange Summer Camp program. We had a celebration to celebrate our members of 25 year members Dawnelle Knott, Kenneth Moynihan and Jeanette Sorrel-Baker. 40 year members Kenneth Knott and Kathleen Knott. 50 Year members Raymond McCaw, Terrence Holz and Michael Rawlings. 55 year members Rosezetta Knott, Veronica McCaw, and Ted Bayer. 60 year members Gordon Osborne, James Aberle and Samuel McLeod. and 65 year members Leroy Bayer, Roger Sweet, Mel Knott and Faye Hinkel. We held our 2020 Elections and Steve Hall was elected as Master.

Sammamish Valley Grange welcomed herbalist, EagleSong Gardener, to their monthly education program, "Herbs are People's Medicine: Growing Health in Our Hearts, Hands and Homes." EagleSong is well-known throughout the community as a seasoned, generative gardener and community centered herbalist with four decades of practice. She shared her passion for cultivating herbs and learning how to use them as part of an integrated health care regimen. Grange members are looking forward to hosting the upcoming community Candidate Town Hall, the third annual Farmers Roundtable and the annual Holiday Party and Potluck.

LEWIS COUNTY

Oakview Grange held its Fall Craft Fair on September 27-28, with over 20 vendors displaying their wares. Chair of Family Living, Joyce Kludt served a full lunch with sandwiches, homemade soups along with pies both days of the event. Oakview has been successful in bringing in new members this year. President Terry Lowery obligated 7 of Oakview's 11 new members at the October meeting. It was also announced that Oakview Grange will be recognized at National Convention as one of the 2019 Distinguished Subordinate Granges. Oakview Grange has been a longtime participant in the Dictionary Project – Words for Thirds program. This year is no exception.

Members put bookplates in the front of 200 dictionaries. The bookplates state the dictionary is donated by Oakview Grange #311 chartered in 1909 is celebrating over 110 years of service to the community, and gives a space for the child to write their name. With Thanksgiving rapidly approach, members will again enjoy roast turkey with dressing and mashed potatoes and gravy provided by the Grange. Members and their guest will provide salads, breads, condiments and desserts. A fun evening of BINGO with a plethora of prizes will follow.

MASON COUNTY

The Agate Grange will hold election of officers at the November meeting. Plans are presently being made for a Christmas party in December. The Agate is looking forward to spring when a community event will be held.

Skokomish Grange sponsored a Pinochle Tournament in October as a fundraiser to update the bathrooms in the Grange Hall. The December meeting will be cancelled due to the Christmas Tree industry. Skokomish boasts three new members.

Matlock Grange held their annual Hunter's Breakfast again this year on October 12th and 19th from 5:30 am. to noon to accommodate the many hunters visiting the area.

Twanoh Grange in partnership with the Grapeview Fire Department, held a Pig Roast in June. Funds were donated at that time to honor a Military Veteran from the community. Twanoh also had two new members. The November Pomona meeting will be hosted by Twanoh on the 16th.

PIERCE COUNTY

Waller Road Grange hosted the Slovakian Christian School, who visited Woodrow School, our little red schoolhouse for the second time. It is on the Historical Registry, circa 1910. The teacher had attended when she was in 3rd grade as well. She was excited to share the experience with her students. She brought 2 groups (one on Sept 20th and one on Sept 27th). They were able to dress in period costumes and attend the school of that period or earlier. They spent about 3 1/2 hours in the schoolhouse and at recess. They played with hoops and balls and hopscotch and ending the day by making ice cream using an old crank ice cream maker. We visited them one day while they were having lunch using old lunch buckets. They looked so cute girls in dresses & bonnets and boys in vests and caps. Clothes made by our own Janet Schmidt. The students said they had fun doing all these things.

SPOKANE COUNTY

Five Mile Prairie Grange awarded its initial two scholarships this fall to member Kelci Scharff for \$500 and to local resident Skye Gordon for \$250. Kelci is attending the University

of Idaho in Moscow and Skye is attending Whitworth University in Spokane.

Green Bluff Grange has been busy the last 4 Sundays with their "All you can eat applesauce, pancakes, sausage, and eggs" breakfast which were very well attended. During those Sundays people were also visiting our Harvest Festival vendors. The last weekend of October the Jr. Grangers Haunted House was a Spooky Fun time—amazing what those young folks can do. November 24 will be the last "all you can eat pancake breakfast" for 2019. Dictionaries were delivered to Colbert 3rd graders the on October 24. We held our Booster night on our first Tuesday Community Event—November 5. Lecturer Terri and Secretary Francine did a great job putting together the program involving many of the grange members too.

It started with a potluck dinner followed by presentation of awards/certificates and entertainment. It was a wonderful night for everyone present. Election of officers will be held at our business meeting on November 19. The Grange continues to be rented. We will hold our 2nd annual cookie exchange as part of our first community event on December 3 along with the tree/grange decorating party. The annual Community Christmas Party is on December 14—Santa is sure to show up! Our December 17 grange meeting will be our annual member Christmas exchange party while enjoying holiday treats after our meeting.

STEVENS COUNTY

Camas Valley Grange had their hall spookily decorated for the Kiddie Karnival/Kreepy Kafe/Haunted House during the month of October. The Grange held a bingo event on

South Union Grange Presents 2019 Scholarship Award



South Union Master Patty Mathews presented the 2019 South Union Grange scholarship to Wyatt Palmer of Black Lake Grange. Wyatt's proud grandmother, Diane Williams, is a member of South Union. Thurston County Deputy Christie Vintilo presented Wyatt with a certificate from Washington State Grange for the Lone Yew Grange scholarship which Wyatt also received. (L-R, Patty Mathews, Wyatt Palmer, Christie Vintilo, Diane Williams).

Twisp Valley Grange Refinishes Hall Floor



In a steady effort to improve our building for use by the community, Twisp Valley Grange has just completed the refinishing of the floor. Fundraising took the better part of three years to complete. Several sources were tapped for funding.

The original heavy oak floor was entirely laid in the early 1960s by three women. Yes, three women. Marion Wilhelm, Florence Power and Helen Smith. When the company saw it they said it was the best floor they had seen in their whole career of redoing floors.

Grange Connection

November 2. Sew Day is scheduled for November 11, where several quilt tops will be completed. The quilts will be distributed at the Community Christmas Dinner on Dec. 1. The Grange has a "Coats for Folks" collection box at the Springdale Store. The Mad Hatter Tea is scheduled for December 7.

THURSTON COUNTY

Black Lake Grange held two work parties at the grange. Two members visited Larry Brown an 88-year old gold sheaf member. who has been a member since December 1962. Also, Karen Packard received a 25-year membership certificate along with a 40-year membership sticker. She joined the grange in March 1972.

Skookumchuck Grange had their Annual Harvest dinner and Bazaar. Homemade pies are the highlight of the menu. At this event we honor our Fire Department and first responders with a free dinner. We were happy too again have Pomona there, selling desserts and promoting our Granges. We are blessed with the bounty.

South Union Grange hosted a quilt binding workshop on July 28 to help

local quilters hone their skills in time for the county fair. The workshop was free and two sessions were held. On August 24, they held a garage sale in tandem with a classic car show and kids' carnival at the church next door. Visitors were able to park in the Grange lot and attend both events. Unsold items from the garage sale have been donated to several sources, including St. Pauly Textile, Goodwill, Union Gospel Mission, and Options Pregnancy Clinic. On October 5, the Grange invited the community to help celebrate 55 years of dances at the Grange with live music by The Country Four and More. State Overseer Karen Jackson was special guest and congratulated the band and Grange. Dale Smith, whose wife Donna is one of the founding members of the band, used his woodworking skills to craft two beautiful patio furniture pieces that were raffled at the event. October 9 through 12 were the dates that Grangers, with help from some friends and family members, provided free coffee and snacks to travelers at Maytown Rest Area on I-5 south of Tumwater. Dance to live county music by The Country Four and More on the first Saturday of every month from 7 to 10 pm (\$6 per person

donation). All ages are welcome. The next meeting will be held on Monday November 18 at 7 pm. The annual "Deck the Hall" decorating party will be held at the Grange on Friday November 29 at 2 pm.

WHITMAN COUNTY

Whelan-Ewartsville Grange presented membership awards at our October meeting. Wiley Hollingsworth received his 25 yr pin and Barney Buckley received his 50 yr pin/certificate. WA State Grange Pomona Alexis Kudsk & WA State Grange Ceres Isabella Lierman made the presentations. We have begun renting out RV spaces during WSU home football games. There has been a great response to this and most dates are sold out. Members spent a lot of time trimming trees and cleaning up the yard area around the hall in preparation of the RV reservations. Our next meeting is Nov 13th. Potluck will be at 6:30 followed by the meeting at 7:30. Also coming up is our 1st Annual Holiday Bazaar on December 14th from 9am-4pm. There will be a variety of handcrafted items from various vendors. For more info contact Laura @ 509-336-9065 or lauralyle74@gmail.com.

Pomona Connection

COWLITZ/WAHKIAKUM POMONA

Cowlitz/Wahkiakum Pomona Grange will meet on November 16 at the Rose Valley Grange Hall, with a 6:30 p.m. potluck dinner and 7:30 p.m. meeting. There will be a 2020 planning meeting at 5:30 p.m. The Pomona Monthly Project is to bring donations of canned food.

GRAYS HARBOR/PACIFIC POMONA

Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona has changed their net meeting to November 16 at 10 a.m. at the Elma Grange Hall. The meeting will include putting the 2020 Grange calendar together for the Pomona.

KING COUNTY POMONA

King County Pomona had an informational booth at the King County Fair. We raised money for the local food bank, gave books, bookmarks and build a book away to children ages newborn to 18 years of age. We held our 2020 election of officers and Sister Pam Figg was re-elected as Master. Our next meeting will be November 9th At Steele Lake Highline Grange in which this will be installation of officers. Feel free to bring your officers to be installed after meeting and before lunch.

Thurston County Pomona #8 held their annual picnic at the Nelson Ranch on July 14. Luella Huber of Violet Prairie Grange was presented with the Granger of the Year award for her dedication to the Grange. A special feature of the Pomona booth at Thurston County

Fair in August was a drawing for six \$50 add-on prizes for 4-H and FFA members who participated in the Youth Market show. Pomona and five subordinate Granges each donated a prize and eligible youth were invited to submit their names into the drawing. Pomona again had a display at the Washington State Fair in Puyallup. Committee members worked hard and did a great job. Election of officers for the 2020 year was held at Black Lake Grange on October 3. Denise McCartan was elected Master for the coming year. The annual Farm-City Dinner was held on October 13

at South Union Grange. Members and guest enjoyed a hearty dinner and a program that included Dr. Jeff Crane of St. Martin's University who spoke about SMU's new agriculture/farming program called, "Our Common Home Farms." Annie Scott and Karen Jackson, accompanied by Ann Zabriskie entertained guest with beautiful music, and Rick Shaefer provided more music, accompanying himself on guitar. The next regular meeting will be at 7 pm November 7 at Violet Prairie Grange.



Luella Huber of Violet Prairie Grange received the Thurston County Pomona "Granger of the Year" recognition for her many years of dedication to the Grange. Pomona Master Rick Nelson presented Lu with the certificate at the annual Pomona picnic.

Pomona Calendar

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

CLALLAM	November 10 at Dry Creek, 5 p.m. potluck, 6 p.m. meeting. Will include planning for 2020. Election of Officers.
CLARK	November 13 at Barberton, 7 p.m. meeting. Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner at 6 p.m.
COWLITZ	November 16 at Rose Valley, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 p.m. meeting. 2020 planning meeting at 5:30 p.m.
EXCELSIOR	November 16 at Williams Valley, 10:30 a.m. Lunch is provided at 12 noon, bring dessert.
Grays Harbor/ Pacific	November 16 at Elma, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck. Will include planning for 2020.
KING	November 9 at Steele Lake Highline, 10 a.m. meeting. Installation of Officers.
KITSAP	November 15 at Bethel, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 p.m. meeting.
KLICKITAT	November 9 at Goldendale, 12 p.m. potluck, 1 p.m. meeting.
MASON	November 16 at Twanoh, 11 a.m. Potluck at 12 p.m. Will hold election of officers.
OKANOGAN	November 9 at Brewster, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
PEND OREILLE	December 14 at Calispel, 10 a.m., 12 p.m. potluck. Will be installation of officers.
PIERCE	November 2 at Riverside Valley, 10 a.m. December 7 at Waller Road will be meeting with installation and potluck.
RIVERSIDE	February 15 at Terrace Heights, 1:30 p.m.
SKAGIT	November 6 at Skagit Valley, 7 p.m. – will be election of officers. December 4 at Fredonia – "Old Fashioned Christmas".
SNAKE RIVER	November 16 at Columbia Valley, 10 a.m. No host lunch following meeting.
SPOKANE	November 16 at Green Bluff, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
STEVENS	November 16 at Kettle River, 11 a.m. Potluck at 12 noon.
SUNNYSIDE	November 12 at Buena, 7:30 p.m.
THURSTON	December 5 at South Union, 7 p.m. Christmas Party/Potluck at 6 p.m.
WHATCOM	November 19 at Haynie, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting. Will include election of officers.
WHITMAN	November 16 at Jim & Bonnie Lyle's Home, 10 a.m. Potluck at 12 noon. Set Pomona schedule for 2020.
YAKIMA	November 15 at Selah Heights, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.

Grange Connection

Malo Grange Awards Granddaddy of Them All Giant Zucchini Winner



Pat Swan from Malo Grange in Ferry County was the winner of the Malo Grange's "Granddaddy of Them All" Giant Zucchini Contest of 2019. This year it was a battle of the giants where a half an inch made the difference for the winner. Pat is a second time winner, having also won in 2017.

Clark, Cowlitz and Lewis Counties Confer 5th Degree



Clark, Cowlitz, and Lewis County Granges held a Tri County meeting with Cowlitz County Pomona hosting at the Catlin Grange Hall. Lewis County Pomona did the fifth degree, while Clark County Pomona did a drill with the help of the Youth Group. Cowlitz Pomona Master Joan Frymire presented Lewis County Master Lewis Rohrig and Clark County Master Janice Anderson with really cute Halloween Candy Jars as gifts.

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Muriel painted on the newly renovated Saint Andrews Grange Hall. Painted by local artist Don Nutt of Coulee City.

Whelan Ewartsville Grange Presents Membership Awards



State Pomona Alexis Kudsk and State Ceres Isabella Lierman join with State Grange Deputy Jim Lyle in presenting Barney Buckley with his Golden Sheaf Award and Wiley Hollingsworth with his Silver Star at the Whelan Ewartsville Grange.

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