



# WASHINGTON STATE Grange News

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## Grangers Converge On Puyallup For Annual Convention

Grange members from across Washington State will be CONVERGING ON Puyallup for their state organization's 133rd annual convention, June

22-25. The convention returns to Puyallup for the first time since 2006.

The majority of those gathering at the convention

site – the Washington State Fairgrounds – are delegates elected to represent their local Granges. The bulk of their time will be spent in

meetings, making decisions that will set the course of the organization for the coming year. Besides delegates, there are scores of volunteers who

will have other responsibilities during the week, and many other members drive in to participate in special events, listen to guest speakers or

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Mark Your Calendars

Upcoming State Grange Events

Due to Covid-19, many scheduled events are either cancelled or postponed. Please call prior to the event to confirm.

- JUNE 1 ..... Community Service Reports Due
- JUNE 1 ..... State Session Grange Law Committee Meeting via Zoom, 2 p.m.
- JUNE 1 ..... State Session Health, Health Care & Safety Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 2 ..... State Session Agriculture Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 2-5 ..... State Grange Camper Association Fun Rally at Mossyrock
- JUNE 4 ..... State Grange Picnic (with Grange Camper Association) at the Armit Residence near Mossyrock, 1 p.m.
- JUNE 6 ..... State Session Fish & Wildlife Committee Meeting via Zoom, 2 p.m.
- JUNE 6 ..... State Session State Legislative Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 7 ..... State Session Veteran's Affairs Committee Meeting via Zoom, 2 p.m.
- JUNE 7 ..... State Session Education Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 8 ..... State Session Grange Activities Committee Meeting via Zoom, 2 p.m.
- JUNE 8 ..... State Session National Legislative Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 9 ..... State Session Taxation & Fiscal Policy Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 13 ..... State Session Conservation & Ecology Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 14 ..... State Session Audit Committee Meeting via Zoom, 2 p.m.
- JUNE 14 ..... State Session Transportation Committee Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- JUNE 22 ..... State Session Credential Committee Meeting, 10 a.m. at the Fair Farm, Puyallup
- JUNE 22 ..... State Session Election Committee Meeting, 10:30 a.m. at the Fair Farm, Puyallup
- JUNE 22 ..... State Session Constitution & Bylaws Committee Meeting, 11 a.m. at the Fair Farm, Puyallup
- JUNE 22-25 ..... 133rd Annual State Grange Session at Puyallup
- JUNE 30 ..... Secretary Quarterly reports Due
- JULY 5-8 ..... Camp David Junior Grange Camp
- July 15 ..... Registrations for Grange Regional Conference Due
- AUGUST 5-7 ..... Western Regional Grange Youth and Leaders Conference at Springfield, OR
- NOVEMBER 15-18 ..... National Grange Session at Reno/Sparks, Nevada

Community Service

Community Service Dept. State Convention Run-Down



Heather Ferguson

By Heather Ferguson  
Community Service Director

At the time of writing this I have not seen the Community Service reports, but I am so excited to read them. The variety of projects Granges in our state complete is always so amazing. If you are interested in looking through them, they will be on display at the State Convention. The Community

Service tables will all have teal colored tablecloths, if you need to find us.

Remember, the Community Service Department will take all of your new and unused personal hygiene products and pull tabs. If you are able to recycle your pull tabs or drop them off at a Ronald McDonald house, please do. Just let me know how many pounds you had or you can turn in the

money you made so we can send them one check. I do not have a very big car and do not have room to take all of them home. All of your Keep Washington Warm Donations need to be delivered to the Youth Department.

Thank you in advance for all of your hard-work and donations. I will see you at convention.

Oregon Hosts 2022 Western Regional Grange Leadership Conference

The Oregon State Grange is looking forward to hosting the 2022 Western Regional Grange Leadership Conference August 5-7 at the Hilton Garden Inn ~ Eugene/Springfield.

Built around the theme "Creating Connections Across State Lines" the conference will include a weekend of inspiration, education, leadership growth and networking for all Grangers no matter their age. Conference

workshop presenters include National Grange (NG) Youth and Young Adults Director, Mandy Bostwick and NG Junior Grange Director Samantha Wilkins along with others.

Friday evening kicks off with the welcome and introductions before dinner at Walterville Grange followed by the regional Grange Baseball contest. Saturday will have workshops and meals at the hotel and that evening will

be the Regional Sign-a-Song and Public Speaking Contests.

Registration is due to the Oregon State Grange no later than July 15. The Conference Registration costs of \$90 per person covers dinner and activities on Friday, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday as well as the meeting room, snacks and all conference materials. The registration form is on the conference Facebook page and the OSG website and from you state office.

Lodging is at the Hilton Garden Inn ~ Eugene/Springfield. Rooms are \$129.00 per night plus tax. Make arrangements directly with the hotel: <http://eugenespringfield.hgi.com/> or call: 541.736.3000.

Questions? Contact the Oregon State Grange Youth Directors at [osg.youth@gmail.com](mailto:osg.youth@gmail.com) or the Oregon State Grange office 503-316-0106 and like our Facebook page at Western Regional Grange Leaders Conference for up-to-date information.



Hilton Garden Inn, Eugene/Springfield, OR.

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• Tom Gwin, Executive Editor •

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President’s Message

Join Us As We  
“Celebrate Grange”  
At Our Annual State  
Grange Session

By Tom Gwin  
State Grange  
Master/President

As we converge on the Washington State Fairgrounds & Event Center in the beautiful Puyallup Valley for our 133rd Annual State Grange Session, all Grange members are invited to join us for all or a part of this years’ session.

All Grange activities will be held near the southwest corner of the Fairgrounds. Participants should enter the Green Parking Lot and park near the Green Gate. The host committee has made arrangements for a tractor to pull the fair’s People Mover as a shuttle from the gate to our meeting areas.

We will utilize the Fair Farm for our delegate sessions, banquet, degree exemplification, and talent show. Registration and the display areas will be just a few steps away in the Pierce County Meeting Rooms. Meeting Room A will be he lecturer and family living displays, while Meeting Room B will be the junior and youth displays, registration area, and additional displays. The hospitality room is right next door in the State 4-H Fair Office. For those of you who attend the fair, Meeting Room A is where the dogs and cats are housed during the fair, while Meeting Room B is where the dogs and cats are shown in the arena during the fair. The Junior and Youth Groups will both meet upstairs on the second floor.

We will “Celebrate Grange” with the official opening of the session on Wednesday, June 22. In addition to the delegate sessions, where one can see State Grange policy being developed, there are plenty of opportunities to celebrate the hard work by our members. The work of our talented members will be on display throughout the week in the

display rooms. Group efforts will be included in the display area with contest entries in Grange Hall Improvement, community service, and many others.

Granges are reminded to turn in their one-page “Grange in Action” report. The reports consist of one page with the Grange name and state, accompanied by 3-5 photos of the Grange’s activities with captions. The activities must have taken place since September 1, 2021. The reports will be on

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display and then forwarded to the National Grange for recognition. We will also be utilizing these reports in our state display at the National Grange Convention in November. This program is an excellent opportunity to celebrate the varied projects undertaken by Granges across our state.

We will celebrate the ritualistic work of our organization with the conferral of the fifth and sixth degrees on Wednesday evening.

The family living department will hold their annual breakfast on Thursday morning. The event will be at the Fruitland Grange Hall, just a few miles away. The business session will move into full swing and take much of Thursday and Friday. The session will include officer reports and the report and action on committee reports, which are prepared from the committee meetings prior to the convention.

The Celebration Banquet is on Thursday evening. Following a scrumptious dinner, we will further celebrate the achievements of our State Grange Foundation Scholarship recipients. Granges



Tom Gwin

will be recognized for the outstanding community service work. The membership department will draw the winners of the Membership Incentive Program. There will be seven drawings of \$250 gift cards for Subordinate Granges, while there will be 14 drawings of \$25 gift cards for Junior Granges. We had a great year of membership development in 2021 and are off to another great year in 2022. Following the awards, everyone is encouraged to participate in the live auction that assists in funding the Grange departments.

Friday, June 24 will be Red Tennis Shoe Day as we celebrate the work of our Junior Grangers. Junior Grangers will be front and center before the delegate body. Their program will be followed by the Junior Grange Ice Cream Social at 12 noon. Later that evening, the focus will turn to celebrating the talents of our Subordinate Grange members at the annual talent show. The talent show’s best of show winner will represent our state at the National Grange Convention in November.

Grange Youth Officers will open the Saturday morning session of the convention. Following the presentation of youth awards, they will draw the winners of their annual youth raffle. The Quilt of Valor presentation will be at 11 a.m. and will be followed by the announcement of the Grange Leadership Award winner.

Following lunch on Saturday, we will celebrate those who have gone on before us at the Memorial Service. Eulogies of departed past state officers, directors, deputies, and spouse will be read and flowers placed for departed Grange Masters and spouses.

We will install an executive

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Legislative

2023 Legislative  
Session Begins  
To Take Shape



Heather Hansen

By Heather Hansen  
Legislative Lobbyist

The 2023 legislative session begins to take shape now as sitting legislators choose not to run again and new candidates choose to run for office. Filing week was May 15 – 20, 2022. Half of the state Senators and all state Representatives are up for election. Five state Senators and twenty Representatives are not running to stay in their seats. That is a significant amount of turnover. In four districts, the 8th, 18th, 38th and 47th, two of the three legislators are leaving.

Currently, Democrats hold a 57-to-41 majority in the House of Representatives and a 28-21 majority in the Senate. Thus, to change the current majorities, Republicans would need to pick up nine seats in the House or four in the Senate. In general, the urban Puget Sound area is solidly Democratic while central and eastern Washington are solidly Republican. The suburban districts, primarily in King and Snohomish Counties, are the swing districts where change is most likely.

Very soon, candidate mailings will begin to arrive in your mailbox. Redistricting put many voters, and some candidates, in new districts this year. The Washington State primary election will be Tuesday, August 2, 2022. Ballots will be mailed July 15. Before you vote, get to know the candidates. Every candidate has an online presence. Search for their name and read about their positions. Attend candidate forums. Ask questions about issues you care about. What are their views on the size of the state budget? What are their priorities for state spending? What are their plans for dealing with crime? What are their thoughts about the cost of fuel? Their thoughts about how and where to spend money is a good indicator of their priorities. One easy way to learn about candidates is to see who has endorsed them. If other people you know and trust endorse a candidate, that is generally a good recommendation.

Other changes will be coming this summer as well. After 26 years of lobbying, I am retiring. I have enjoyed representing you and getting to know many of you. I hope to see many of you at convention in Puyallup. I have always been an advocate of grass roots involvement in government. A small group of people with focus can make a huge difference. Keep up the good work!

By-Laws

**CEDAR VALLEY GRANGE #306** will meet on July 14, 2022 at 7:30pm to vote on a bylaws change to move their monthly meeting time from 7:30pm to 7:00pm.

**OLYMPIC VIEW GRANGE #774** will meet on July 17, 2022 at 1:00pm to vote to change their bylaws. The proposal is to change their meeting day to the third Sunday of the month, add a family membership, and create a dues amount for teens.

**SHARON GRANGE #800** will meet on June 13, 2022 at 7:00pm to vote on a bylaws change to move their meeting time as well as adopt a family membership.

Applications  
Now Open

National Grange Communication Fellows  
at the 2022 National Grange Convention in Sparks, Nevada  
Application available at <http://bit.ly/commfellows22>



## President's Message

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committeeman that after. The meeting is scheduled to adjourn by 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Thank you to the Grange members of the Northern District (Island, King, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom counties) for their outstanding work in putting the convention activities together for the benefit of all Grange members. Your efforts will allow us to join together to “Celebrate Grange”.

## WA Granges Install Wireless Internet Service In Their Halls

The Washington State Grange, through the generosity of the Washington State Grange Foundation, is offering a grant program to install wireless internet in Grange halls across the state. Up to \$500 is available to assist each Grange in this endeavor. The one-time grant may be used only to cover the cost for the initial installation of wireless internet. Monthly charges from the internet service provider will be the responsibility of the Subordinate Grange. Participating Granges are to subscribe to the wireless services for a minimum of two years.

The State Grange Executive Committee is making this program retroactive back to January 1, 2021. Any Grange installing wireless internet in their hall after that date is eligible to apply and be reimbursed for their installation fees. The installation must be completed by September 1, 2022.

Seventeen Granges have applied for and been approved for participation in the WiFi installation program. Those Granges are:

- Elma #26
- Mountain Valley #79
- Whelan Ewartsville #114
- Minnehaha #164
- Rome #226
- Davis Lake #501
- Barberton #571
- Broadway #647
- Camden #687
- Humptulips #730
- McMillin #848
- Fern Prairie #866
- Fruitland #999
- Lopez Island #1060
- Manor #1100
- Crescent #1123
- Moses Lake #1151

Even though the deadline for applying to participate in the program was June 1, additional applications will be considered through the remainder of June.

Any questions on the program should be directed to the State Grange Office.

## Lecturer's Department

### National Heirloom Program and More Convention Information



Leslie Jo Wells

**By Leslie Jo Wells  
State Grange Lecturer**

The following is information from National Grange Membership and Leadership Development Director Amanda Brozana Rios on the National Heirloom Program.

#### Impart Grange lessons at every meeting with the Heirloom Program

**By Amanda Brozana Rios  
Membership/Leadership  
Development Director**

The Grange's many lessons are found in our cornerstone documents – our Declaration of Purposes, the Opening and Closing of our meetings and our Degree work, especially in the First Four.

However, they are easily overshadowed by the business of the Grange and hampered when spoken by short attention spans and language that is beautiful but uncommon. New members often wait years to see or hear all of these words of wisdom. More seasoned members may recall the words but have not taken the time to think about them and apply them to daily life in some time.

For that reason, the National Grange has released the Heirloom Program, and encouraged every Grange to take just a few quick moments at one meeting each month to introduce a key lesson and reflect upon it – thereby passing on part of our heritage and making meaningful to daily life in the 21st century words mostly written more than a century-and-a-half ago.

The program is designed to introduce these lessons through short readings – similar to a liturgy at a church service.

These bite-sized pieces help connect members to the most essential ideals of Grange without overwhelming.

The schedule of readings allows members to experience reflection on the lesson together and potentially share with one another, across Granges, ideas of how these

can be applied today.

Additional materials, such as social media posts, ads, posters and more will be released with each lesson, allowing Granges to share with not just their members



but with their community the central concepts taught in Grange.

A few sample activities are also available – ciphers and coloring pages that lead members to discover the lesson or interact with it – and more will be released as the program move forward.

This is not limited to a Lecturer's program – in fact, Granges are highly encouraged to have different officers or members present the monthly lesson and lead the short reflection or activity related to the lesson during the “conferral of degrees” portion of the meeting (unless, of course, you are conferring degrees at that meeting).

Over the course of five years, 60 total lessons will be introduced. While it does not take the place of providing new members with a Declaration of Purposes or conferring degrees, it certainly will allow new members a taste of what they would see or hear when interacting with these Grange texts and events and make them less foreign.

This program officially kicks off in March, as the season of Spring is upon us. The “Year A” readings (March 2022 through February 2023) are available online and all the resources related to them will be available by the beginning of March. Each month, a preview of the following month's lesson will be provided in the Patron's Chain, including a printable letter-sized poster. Starting on the first of the month, you'll find the related

image of the lesson on our Facebook Page and our website. We encourage you to share the image and start the conversation with your friends – both members of the Grange and those who have not yet joined – and see how these lessons resonate with others.

All of the Heirloom Program materials can be found at [bit.ly/grangeheirloom](http://bit.ly/grangeheirloom) – please utilize the materials as you see fit!

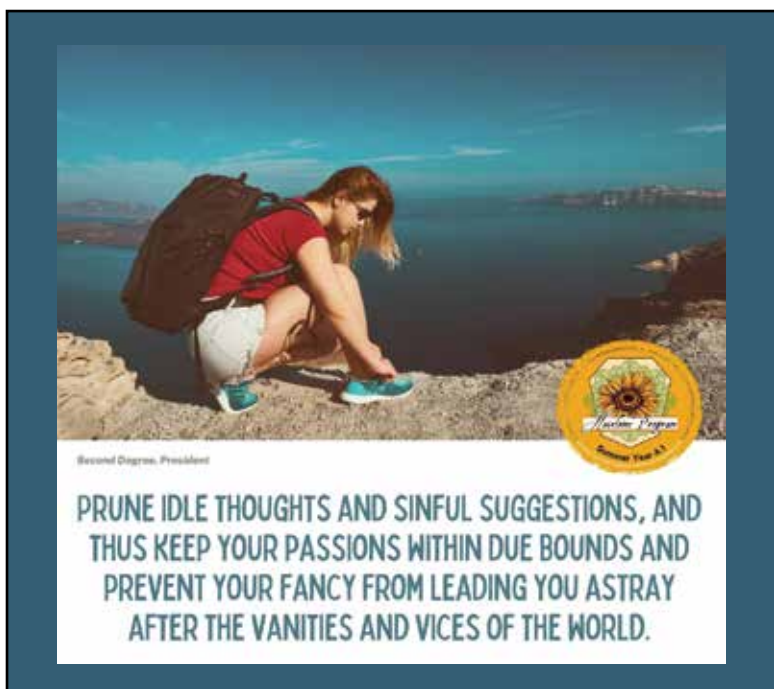
#### Additional Convention Information

##### Talent Contest

As most of you are aware, we are no longer holding District Talent Contests. If someone, or a group, plan to participate in the Talent Contest they will need to come to the Lecturer display area before 12 PM noon on Friday the 24th to sign up and receive a rehearsal time. The categories are still the same – Vocal, Instrumental and Variety. The Talent Contest is scheduled for 8 PM on that Friday evening. If you or your group know ahead of time that you will be entering, I would greatly appreciate it if you would let me know that. Tell me Who (a contact name), Grange, Category and what basic equipment you need. You can email me with the info at: [lesliewells@att.net](mailto:lesliewells@att.net). You will still need to check in at the Lecturer area when you get to Convention to get your rehearsal time.

##### HELP WANTED!!!

If you are going to be at Convention and are not a Delegate, we need help in the Lecturer display area. We need people to help getting items to the correct table display areas as they are checked in on Tuesday, June 21st 2:00 – 5:00 PM and on Wednesday June 22nd 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM. We could also use help on Saturday the 27th from 12:00 noon – 2:00 PM for check out of entries. Let me know if you can help us out – [lesliewells@att.net](mailto:lesliewells@att.net).





# Membership Corner

## Welcome New Members

### GRANGES WITH MEMBERSHIP GAINS May 2022

	# Joined	Jr. +1
603 Addy ..... 1		
Brooklyn Thompson		
417 Adna ..... 1		
Kay Pearson		
1051 Bainbridge Island ..... 7		
Mari Bickford, Brian Leekley, Darren Murphy, Katherine Pecora Erin Smith, Larry Johnson, Birke Duncan		
571 Barberton ..... 4		
Tim Oltmann, Lacey Oltmann, Chelsie Barker, Patricia Lape		
163 Brighton Park ..... *	2	
687 Camden ..... 4		
Rick Knapp, Carol Wood, Jeanna Anglin, Troy Anglin		
306 Cedar Valley ..... 1		
Randy Lewis		
938 Columbia Valley ..... 1		
Leslie Linderoth		
501 Davis Lake ..... 4		
Susan Mauro, Tricia Martinez, John Martinez, Elver Williams		
846 Deer Lagoon ..... 1		
Kevin Smith		
148 East Spokane ..... 1		
Penn Fix		
26 Elma ..... 1	2	
Elaine Thomson		
1152 Freedom ..... 14		
Chantelle Rhoads, Steve Rhoads, Taryn Rhoads, Katie Leitz Bryce Posey, Teresa Prantle, Joel Prantle, Rebecca Zuhlke Debbie Lopez, Alvin Lopez, Emily Lopez, Olivia Lopez Caitlin Parkhotyuk, Bogdan Parkhotyuk		
300 Green Bluff ..... 2		
Lauri Pounder, Quentin Pounder		
169 Haynie ..... 1		
Christian Pepper		
925 Lummi Island ..... 1		
Doreen Richmond		
1101 Manor ..... 1		
Amy Brown		
1151 Moses Lake ..... 32	20	
Mike Garneau, Carol Garneau, Peter Yearout, Dawn Yearout Karson Yearout, Kooper Yearout, Tammy Williams, Frank Williams Christian Williams, Jessica Harper, Michael Harper, Katina Bates Daniel Bates, Caden Bates, Michelle Rettrowski, Paul Rettrowski Jaime Sackmann, Jeff Sackmann, Molly Sackmann, Rachelle Holland Justin Holland, Brodie Holland, Katie Roylance, Jared Roylance Jake Roylance, Hannah Roylance, Trudie Roy, Jereme Roy Hannah Roy		
311 Oakview ..... 4		
Gayle Judson, Kathie Mills, Connie Reed, Rhoda Van Dettay		
943 Ralston ..... 10	3	
Carin Monroe, Kaylee Monroe, Liz Gillette, Trina Galen Jeff Duval, Debbie Binam, Steve Duval, Pauline Gielisch Trish McRae, Henry McRae		
226 Rome ..... 2		
Theresa Sygitowicz, Emma Hreljanovic		
955 Sallal ..... 2		
Jane Storres, Vee Peri		
1108 Sequim Prairie ..... 3	2	
Glen Varvil, Rachel Tax, Joshua Tax		
379 Skokomish ..... 1		
Larry Taylor		
909 Spring Hill ..... 1		
Kari Clouse		
261 Summit Park ..... 2		
Christine Tolman, Gabriela Cuevas		
210 Trout Lake ..... 2		
Robert Wooldridge, Lyris Wooldridge		
610 Tyler ..... 5		
Glen Dean, Keri Dean, Maximus Dean, Saige Bosworth Sky Bosworth		
1111 Waller Road ..... 2		
Patrick Bradley, Kari Bradley		
TOTALS ..... 111	29	

## State Grange Session is Almost Here

This is always such an exciting time of year, and one we have not been able to enjoy with the entire state since our last full session in 2019.

Session is a time for fellowship, renewed friendships, meeting new people, sharing thoughts and ideas, and working to make the Grange stronger year after year.

It's a wonderful time to see our history in full action as we watch our State Officers march. Many will get to experience the 6th degree in its full form with all of its important teachings of the Grange. We will again get to see our youth open the Grange is full form on Saturday morning. Watching our young leaders and teaching them to be the next leaders of our Grange is both rewarding and inspiring. Our Juniors will be celebrated on Friday with their talents displayed for us all to see. And we can finally enjoy an ice cream social with the Juniors for the first time in a few years.

So many wonderful things happen at State Session! If you have not been able to enjoy coming to an annual session, perhaps you might have a day to come and visit us. I believe that you do not get a true scope and idea of what the Washington State Grange is all about until you come to convention. While we love our Subordinate Granges and love their work and contributions, we cannot truly grasp the full idea of Grange and all it has to offer everyone, until you step away from your local Grange and look at the State Grange as a whole. There is so much to offer that most don't know or understand

until they make their way to an annual convention.

Thank you to the four Granges that made the most of Grange Month in April. Your community displays look fabulous! Our first thru third place winners will be awarded and displayed at convention. Good luck and congratulations to (in no particular order) Rose Valley #953, Five Mile Prairie #905, Mountain Valley #79 and North River #946

Congratulations and Welcome to our newest Grange in the State of Washington, Freedom Grange #1152 in Franklin County Washington. We are so excited for your future!

I am excited to see so many of you and even more excited to meet many of our new members. Please take a moment to stop by the membership table to say hi and introduce yourself. Let our session begin.

### Membership Packet Order Form

Grange Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grange Number \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ (Small-3XL) \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ (Small-3XL)

Qty \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Each packet includes two Membership T-Shirts (to be worn while introducing others to the Grange), 50 membership applications, 50 Declaration of Purpose brochures (What the Grange is all about), 25 Grange Benefits brochures for \$25.



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## Congratulations

**Congratulations to the following Grangers for bringing in 3 new members into your Grange. You will each receive the membership t-shirt with our mission statement.**

- Debbie Harbin – Addy #603
- Cindy Kelly – Dry Creek #646
- Doug England – Manson #796
- Valerie Ellard – Sequim Prairie #1108
- Lew Gaskill – Ten Mile #399
- Ronda Fredrickson – Waller Road #1111
- Rita Butler – White Trail #1143

**Congratulations to the Grangers who have brought in 5 or more new members into your Grange. You have each won a \$25 Amazon gift card for every 5 new members brought in.**

- Menastash – 4 gift cards
- Valerie Ellard – Sequim Prairie #1108 – 1 gift card
- Rick Ferguson – Prospect Point #1067 – 3 gift cards
- Ronda Fredrickson – Waller Road #1111 – 9 gift cards
- Rita Butler – White Trail #1143 – 4 gift cards

This Contest runs from January 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2022.  
There are many members close to receiving their membership t-shirt or a \$25 gift card.  
So, let's get out there and invite our friends and neighbors to join the Grange!

Welcome New Members!

Freedom  
Grange  
#1152

Washington



# 2022 Convention Info

## JUNE 22 - 25, 2022

**133rd Annual Washington State Grange Convention at the  
WA State Fair Events Center, 110 9th Ave SW, Puyallup, WA 98371**

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simply to get together with old friends. It is anticipated that more than 500 people will either participate all week long or join in for at least a day or two.

Officiating at the business meetings will be State Grange Master Tom Gwin of Humptulips Grange in Grays Harbor County.

Preparations for this year's event have been under the direction of a district convention steering committee led by Carolyn Hojem of Pierce County. She has been assisted by a host of volunteer sub-committee chairmen and committee members.

This year's session is being hosted by Granges in the Northern District that includes Island, King, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom Counties.

Prior to the official opening session on Wednesday evening, June 22, several activities will occupy delegates and others. All committees will meet prior to the session via Zoom to consider reports and resolutions submitted for delegate consideration. The committees will closely examine all resolutions referred to the convention by local community Granges. In some instances, the

committees could draft additional resolutions. All of those reports will be referred – with committee recommendations – to the delegate body for further debate during the session. The resolutions cover a wide variety of topics from internal organization matters to policy issues that will occupy the organization's Olympia and Washington, DC, lobbyists in coming years.

Young people (teens and above) will begin their convention activities on Wednesday morning, electing and installing their own slate of officers.

The Grange's Fifth Degree will be exemplified on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. At 7 p.m. members will assemble for the official opening of the convention. The opening will be followed by the conferral of the Grange's Sixth Degree.

The work of the convention will begin in earnest at 8:30 a.m. Thursday morning when Gwin opens the session. Immediately after opening, he will deliver his report to the delegates. Following a short break, the delegates will begin their business session with reports from the various delegate committees. The session will continue following a lunch break.

That evening, the Grange

Celebration Banquet will be held. The banquet will include the presentation of several membership awards and the recognition of the 2021 State Grange Scholarship winners. The banquet will be followed with the Fund-Raising Auction that is utilized to support the activities of the various Grange departments.

The business session will continue on Friday morning. The delegates will consider additional committee reports. Junior Grangers from across the state will take center stage as awards for their work will be presented at 11 a.m. The Junior Awards Program will be followed by the popular Junior Grange Ice Cream Social, which will begin at 12 noon. The delegates will continue their work through Friday afternoon.

The largest crowd of the week will be present at the annual Grange Talent Contest program on Friday evening at 8 p.m. The popular production, under the direction of State Lecturer Leslie Wells, is open to the public. There is no admission charge. The program will include performances from individuals and groups who will compete for the opportunity to represent the Washington State Grange at the National Grange Session

in November. The Youth Department will also hold their public speaking and sign-a-song contests. The winners of the two latter events advance to regional competition at the Western Regional Youth and Leaders Conference on August 5-7 in Springfield, Oregon. The evening's top talent winner will perform at the 156th annual National Grange Convention this November in Reno/Sparks, Nevada.

The Saturday morning schedule will be filled with a presentation by the Grange youth members. The young people will be recognized and awards presented for their Grange work over the past year. Following additional business sessions, the Grange will recognize eight military veterans at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Each veteran will be recognized with their own Quilt of Valor. The Grange and the QOV program will make the joint presentations. The Grange Leadership Award, the highest honor bestowed by the State Grange, will be presented at 11:45 a.m. on Saturday.

Following lunch, the Annual Grange Memorial Service, honoring departed Grange members, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Following the service, the group will install a member of the State Grange Executive Committee. Final business

will be completed. The session is scheduled to adjourn at approximately 5 p.m. on Saturday.

There are many opportunities for fun and recreation at the convention. There is an ice cream social on Friday, baking contest and sale, special talent and presentations, youth tours and activities, banquets, workshops and, of course, the impressive Grange displays. Most members attending the convention for the first time are amazed at the large quantity and wide variety of handiwork submitted by Grangers and others across Washington state. Tables will be filled with samples of needlework, quilts, sewing, craft creations, works of art and photography. These displays are open to the public beginning Thursday afternoon. The displays are under the supervision of the state lecturer and the directors of family living, youth, junior Grange, and community service activities.

State Master Gwin urges all Grangers to consider spending at least one day at their state session. Members who live in the area are encouraged to attend any of the events. They may also bring along their prospective member friends to the open sessions.





# 2022 Convention Info

JUNE 22 - 25, 2022

133rd Annual Washington State Grange Convention at the  
WA State Fair Events Center, 110 9th Ave SW, Puyallup, WA 98371

## GRANGE CONVENTION BANQUET ORDER FORM

Deadline for ticket orders is June 14

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Grange Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning to be a delegate to the convention? ☐ YES ☐ NO

**Note: The Family Living Breakfast will be held at the Fruitland Grange Hall, located approximately four miles from the fairgrounds. The Celebration Banquet will be held at the fairgrounds.**

THURS, JUNE 23

Family Living Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Celebration Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BANQUET RESERVATIONS DUE JUNE 14th**

Checks should be made payable to: Northern District Grange Convention.

Please mail payment and reservation form to:  
Carolyn Hojem, 5616 Pioneer Way E., Puyallup WA 98371



## WA State Grange Convention 2022 Hotel/Motel Listing

The Convention Steering Committee is submitting the following list of hotels and motels in the Puyallup area. The Steering Committee and the Washington State Grange is unable to verify prices or quality of each facility. It is recommended to book early as rates will increase as summer approaches.

- **Fairfield by Marriott Inn and Suites Puyallup** – 202 15th Ave SW, Puyallup – (253) 770-3100; 0.3 mile from convention site- Features pool and is Pet friendly – Continental breakfast
- **HomeTowne Studios by Red Roof Puyallup** - 2101 N Meridian, Puyallup – (253) 445-5945; 2 miles from convention site
- **Best Western Premier Plaza Hotel** –

620 South Hill Park Drive, Puyallup – (253)848-1500; 1.4 miles from Conventions Center-Features Indoor pool-pet friendly

- **Motel Puyallup** - 1412 South Meridian St, Puyallup – (253)845-8825; 0.3 mile from convention site-- Pet friendly, free breakfast
- **Hampton Inn and Suites** - 1515 South Meridian, Puyallup – (253)770-8880; 0.4 miles from conventions site -features pool, free Breakfast
- **Holiday Inn Express Hotelv (Puyallup)** – 812 S Hill Park Drive, Puyallup – (253)841-2600; 1.4 miles to convention site -Pet Friendly, pool, buffet breakfast included
- **Northwest Motor Inn** - 1409 South Meridian Street

Puyallup – (253)841-2600; 0.3 miles from convention site pet friendly

- **Emerald Queen Hotel** - 5700 Pacific Highway East, Fife – (253)594-7777; 5 miles to convention site – features pool, pet friendly starting at \$133
- **Motel 6 (Fife)** – 5201 20th St East, Fife – (253)922-1270; 4.9 miles to convention site starting at \$ 84 – pet friendly
- **Guest House Fife** - 3021 Pacific Highway East, Fife - (253)922-3500; 6 miles from convention site – Pool
- **Holiday Inn Express Suites (Sumner)** – 2500 136th Ave Court East, Sumner – (253)299-0205; 4.4 miles from convention site – Features pool

## WA State Grange Convention RV Information

All RV reservations need to be made in advance by calling the Fair office at (253) 845-1771, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Any reservations made after hours or weekends, can be made through our host at the lot.

Reservations made in advance: \$40 per night  
Reservations made after hours: \$45 per night  
Reservations can only be reserved in a maximum of 7 day increments. There are no assigned spots. There will be no refunds for any reservations. If you have questions, please email [info@thefair.com](mailto:info@thefair.com).

Full power, sewer and water hookups are available in the Orange Lot; power and water is available in the Green Lot – there is a sewer dump available. Specific RV spaces are not reserved. You will be assigned a spot based on availability. The green lot is the closest lot to the location of the Grange convention.

We are taking every precaution necessary to ensure the safety of our employees and guests.

We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover Card. The Fair cannot guarantee RV spaces without advance reservation.

### RV PARKING RULES:

- RV spots are first-come, first-serve. You may not reserve specific spaces.
- No tent camping.
- All RVs must be self-contained. No restroom facilities are available.
- Pets must be kept on a leash at all times. Clean up after your pet.
- Garbage must be deposited in the appropriate dumpsters and not be left around the outside of the RV.
- No dumping or dripping of gray or black water except in the appropriate sewer hookup. (\$500 fine per occurrence.)
- Personal items left outside the RV must be kept tidy and within your assigned space at all times.
- Driving speed limits are 5 MPH.
- You are expected to be considerate at all times to others in the lot as well as our neighbors. Absolutely no loud or disruptive noise after 10pm.
- Any RV or vehicle left in the parking lot after the designated registration time will be towed at the vehicle owner's expense. You must have a current WWF registration form in your window at all times.
- Check-out time is 1pm unless prior arrangements have been made.
- If you do not follow the above rules, you will be asked to leave the parking lot and you will forfeit any RV payments.

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

### Here's how you can help:

#### Looking for a way to help?

Shop our AmazonSmile Charity Lists to donate items we need

amazon smile

#### Do you shop at Amazon?

You can make a difference in 2021. Shop for gifts at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/91-6064592> to generate donations for the Washington State Grange Foundation (you can also search by our name, the Washington State Grange Foundation). 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.



# 2022 Convention Info

## WA State Grange Convention Schedule

JUNE 22 - 25, 2022

WA State Fairgrounds & Event Center, Puyallup, WA 98371

TUESDAY, JUNE 21

10am	Set Up	
2-6 pm	Lecturer and CFL contest entry check in	Meeting Room A
6:30 pm	Rose Drill Practice – closed event	Fair Farm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

8 am-5pm	Registration Open	Meeting Room B
8am-6pm	Fifth & Sixth Degree Ticket Sales	Meeting Room B
8 am-1pm	Lecturer and CFL contest entry check in	Meeting Room A
8am-1pm	Junior contest entry check in	Meeting Room B
9am-12pm	State Officer Practice – closed event	Fair Farm
9 am	Youth Group Meeting	2nd Floor – south
	-get acquainted activities	
	-election of youth officers	
10am	Credentials Committee Meeting	Meeting Room B
10:30am	Election Committee Meeting	Meeting Room B
11am	Constitution & Bylaws Committee Meeting	Meeting Room B
1:30pm	Installation of Youth Officers	2nd Floor - south
2pm	Deputies Meeting	Fair Farm
3pm	Delegate Orientation	Fair Farm
6:30pm	5th Degree	Fair Farm
7:00	6th Degree Opening	Fair Farm
	-credential report	
	-adoption of program	
	-exemplification of 6th degree	
9:00	Close Session in the 4th degree	

THURSDAY, JUNE 23

7am	Family Living Breakfast	Fruitland Grange
	-Family Living Awards	Hall, 11102 86th Avenue E, Puyallup
7:30am-5pm	Registration Open	Meeting Room B
8:30am	Session Opens	Fair Farm
	-Credential Report	
	-Master/President Address	
	-Committee Reports	
8:30 am	Youth Group Meeting	2nd floor – south
10am	Youth Tour	
12 pm	Session Recess – Lunch	
1pm	Department Displays Open	Meeting Rooms A & B
1:30pm	Session Reconvenes	Fair Farm
	-Credential Report	
	-Reading of the Minutes	
	-Committee Reports	
3 pm	National Grange Representative	
	-Sister Kay Stiles, National Grange Pomona	
5pm	Session Closes in the 4th Degree	
5:05pm	Convention Group Photo	
6 pm	Celebration Banquet	Fair Farm
	-Dinner	
	-Hall Improvement Contest Awards	
	-State Grange Foundation Scholarship Awards	
	-Community Service Awards	
	-Membership Awards	
	-Auction to Benefit Grange Departments	

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

JUNIOR GRANGE RED TENNIS SHOE DAY

8am	Session Opens	Fair Farm
	-Final Credential Report	
	-Election of Officers	
	-Committee Reports	
8am-8pm	Registration (non-delegate) Open	Meeting Room B
8:30am	Youth Group Meeting	2nd Floor - south
9am	Department Displays Open (until 7 pm)	Meeting Room A
10:30 am	Junior Grange Program and Awards	
12pm	Session Recesses – Lunch	
12-2pm	Junior Grange Ice Cream Social	
1pm	Youth Public Speaking Contest	2nd Floor – south
2pm	Session Reconvenes	Fair Farm
	-Reading of the Minutes	
	-Committee Reports	
3pm	Youth Group Meeting	2nd Floor – south
5pm	Session Closes in the 4th Degree	
5:30pm	Talent Practice – closed to the public	Fair Farm
5:30pm	GROW Club Pizza Dinner (no-host)	
	-Trackside Pizza, 201 N. Meridian, Puyallup	
7:30pm	Doors open for seating	
8pm	Talent Show	
	-Talent Presentations	
	-Winning Public Speaking Presentations	
	-Lecturer Department Awards	

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

8am	Session Opening by State Youth Officers	Fair Farm
	-Youth Awards	
	-Raffle Drawing	
9am	Business Session Continues	
	-Committee Reports	
11am	Quilts of Valor Presentation	
11:45am	Presentation of the State Grange Leadership Award	
12pm	Session Recesses – Lunch	
1:30 pm	Memorial Service	Fair Farm
2:30pm	Session Reconvenes	
	-Reading of the Minutes	
	-Committee Reports	
3:30pm	Installation of Executive Committeeman	
4pm	Session Reconvenes	
	-Final Committee Reports	
	-Host Committee Recognition	
	-Invitation for 2023 Convention	
5pm	Closing of the 133rd Annual Session in the Fourth Degree	





# 2022 Convention Info

## Convention Committee Assignments

Additional Committee Members may be assigned at the discretion of the State Master

The 133rd Annual Session of the Washington State Grange is quickly approaching. The session committees will meet prior to the session via zoom to review the standing committee reports and resolutions submitted for consideration.

The following committees will meet prior to the session via Zoom:

- Wed, June 1 - 2 p.m. - Grange Law
- Wed, June 1 - 6 p.m. - Health, Health Care & Safety
- Thurs, June 2 - 6 p.m. - Agriculture
- Mon, June 6 - 2 p.m. - Fish & Wildlife
- Mon, June 6 - 6 p.m. - State Legislative
- Tues, June 7 - 2 p.m. - Veterans Affairs
- Tues, June 7 - 6 p.m. - Education
- Wed, June 8 - 2 p.m. - Grange Activities
- Wed, June 8 - 6 p.m. - National Legislative
- Thurs, June 9 - 6 p.m. - Taxation & Fiscal Policy
- Mon, June 13 - 6 p.m. - Conservation & Ecology
- Tues, June 14 - 2 p.m. - Audit
- Tues, June 14 - 6 p.m. - Transportation

The following committees will not meet in advance of the session, but will meet face to face at the session:

- Wed, June 22 - 10 a.m. - Credentials
- Wed, June 22 - 10:30 a.m. - Election
- Wed, June 22 - 11 a.m. - Constitution & Bylaws

For those committees meeting prior to the session via zoom, the link for the meeting will be included in your email with the other meeting materials.

Committee appointments for this year’s session are:

AGRICULTURE

Carolyn Hojem – Fruitland #999– Chair  
Rex Ogden – Cowlitz Pomona #7– Vice Chair  
Dennis Hall – Samish Valley #926  
Rick Haug – Long Beach #667  
Alexis Kudsk – Haynie #169  
Lewis Zion – Lewis Pomona #3  
Michael Schwartz – Excelsior Pomona #37

AUDIT

Terry Abbott – Brighton Park #163 - Chair  
David George – Kellogg Marsh #136 – Vice Chair  
Heather Ferguson – Waitsburg #1  
Debbie Fisch – Bee Hive #385  
Jodi VanGelder – Fern Prairie #866  
Claudine Wade – Columbia #87  
Thelma Weiland – Fertile Valley #1094  
Charlotte Wixon – Cedar Valley #306

CONSERVATION & ECOLOGY

Larry Auvil – East Wenatchee #1012- Chair  
Bernard Ogden – Sunnyside #129– Vice Chair  
Russ Weston – N. Bellingham #201  
Sara Nan Riordan – Williams Valley #452  
Don Kapitanovich – Washington #82  
John Larson – Long Beach #667  
Richard Lefever – Goldendale #49  
Robert Nichols – Catlin #199

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

Shavanna May – Fords Prairie #33 - Chair  
Ann Fackenthall – Gardenspot #278– Vice Chair  
Loretta Bilow – Sequim Prairie #1108  
Mary Bryant – Elk Plain #782  
Helen Gardner – McMillin #848  
Loren Mercer – The Agate #275  
Chris Smith – Fertile Valley #1094

CREDENTIALS

Cindy Kudsk – Haynie #169 – Chair  
Lucy Vest – Olympic View #774 – Vice Chair  
Tom Berg – Cedar Valley #306  
Denise Edwards – Broadway #647  
Phyllis Ogden – Cowlitz Pomona #7  
Jordanne Webb – Rimrock #941  
Lynn Wells – Gardenspot #278

EDUCATION

Tessa Taft – Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona #28 - Chair  
Shirley Auvil – East Wenatchee #1012 – Vice Chair  
Marilyn Armit – Lewis Pomona #3  
Melanie Hackett – Whatcom Pomona #6  
Janice Lahde – Green Bluff #300  
Joyce Meeker – Buena #836  
Clarene Ricarte – Stillaguamish #1058  
Lucille Mercer – The Agate #275  
Tom Sutton – Sequim Prairie #1108  
Kirk VanGelder – Fern Prairie #866

ELECTION

Jarrold Gardner – Pierce Pomona #16– Chair  
Sherry Cummins – Greenwood Park #590 - Vice Chair  
Lois Cummins – Inland #780  
Warren Lewis – Garden City #280  
Jennifer Webb – Rimrock #941  
Diane Williams – Thurston Co. Pomona #8

FISH & WILDLIFE

Lonnie Scott – Pleasant Hill #101- Chair  
Darell Meyers – Mossyrock #355– Vice Chair  
John Gardner – McMillin #848  
Duane Hamp – Five Mile Prairie #905  
Robert Knapp – Logan Hill #1086  
Sheyenne Koen – Snohomish Pomona #12  
Jim Lahde – Green Bluff #300  
James Loomer – South Lake Stevens #690  
Paula Loreman – Marion #276  
Fred Wilson – Cowlitz Prairie #737

GRANGE ACTIVITIES

Debbie Harbin – Addy #603– Chair  
Marvin Oliver – Pierce Pomona #16- Vice Chair  
Maria Hazelo – Island Pomona #50  
Patricia Knapp – Logan Hill #1086  
Trisha Lovgren – Crescent #1123  
Amanda Nichols – Catlin #199  
Florence Ogden – Sunnyside #129  
Debbie Riegel-Yates – Rexville #815  
Victor Stevens – Roy #702

GRANGE LAW

Annie Scott – Pleasant Hill #101- Chair  
David Bryant – Elk Plain #782– Vice Chair  
Davona Gwin – Grays Harbor/ Pacific Pomona #28  
Rick Ferguson – Prospect Point #1067  
Georgene Neal – Mountain Valley #79  
Chuck Prochaska – Island Pomona #50

HEALTH, HEALTH CARE & SAFETY

JoAnn Anderson – Issaquah Valley #581 - Chair  
Chris Hamp – Five Mile Prairie #905– Vice Chair  
Dianne George – Kellogg Marsh #136  
Jerry Gwin – Humptulips #730  
Janna Hagerty – Buena #836  
Traci Heck – Black Lake #861  
Annette Herbert – Excelsior Pomona #37  
Wilma Penner – Molson #1069  
Kirby Pollard – Marion #276  
Melody Westmoreland – Broadway #647

NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE

Jonathan Pittman – Moses Lake #1151 - Chair  
Alan Anderson – Issaquah Valley #581– Vice Chair  
Anne Bailey – McIntosh #1001  
Paul Gray – Chelan Pomona #23  
Kent Hojem – Fruitland #999  
Pam Mathews – South Union #860  
George Penner – Molson #1069  
Lillie Savage – Olympic View #774

STATE LEGISLATIVE

Oren Gaskill – Ten Mile #399- Chair  
Susan Hegney – McIntosh #1001– Vice Chair  
Steve Dalton – Snohomish Pomona #12  
Tim Hazelo – Deer Lagoon #846  
Elizabeth Merry – Davis Lake #501  
Margaret Ohlsen – Tualco #284  
Jean Swift – Skagit Valley #620  
Tom Weston – Waller Road #1111

TAXATION & FISCAL POLICY

Scott Hackett – Whatcom Pomona #6 - Chair  
Jacob Gwin – Humtulips #730- Vice Chair  
Marcy Belles – Oakview #311  
Jeff Clark – Deer Lagoon #846  
Terry Ferguson – Columbia Pomona #56  
Betty Garrison – Roy #702

TRANSPORTATION

Christie Vintilo – Thurston Pomona #8 - Chair  
Bekki Weston – North Bellingham #201– Vice Chair  
Lucille Bevis – Klickitat Pomona #5  
David Johnson – Mountain Valley #79  
Toni Kapitanovich – Washington #82  
John Kent – Crescent #1123  
Brittney Pittman – Moses Lake #1151  
Steve Yates – Skagit Pomona #10

VETERANS AFFAIRS

Matt Harbin – Addy #603 - Chair  
Peter Hauck – Ten Mile #399- Vice Chair  
Rico Barrientes – Fords Prairie #33  
Mike Monoian – Yakima Valley Pomona #11  
Michael Merry – Davis Lake #501  
Michael Parker – Mason Pomona #20  
Lacey Rude – Skagit Pomona #10  
Steve Ricarte – Stillaguamish #1058  
Ann Van Antwerp – Manor #1101





# 2022 Convention Info

## Kay Stiles To Represent National Grange At WA State Grange Session

National Grange Pomona Kay Stiles will be the National Grange Representative for the 133rd Annual Session of the Washington State Grange. Sister Kay will address the convention delegates on Thursday, June 24.



Kay Hoffman Stiles, a second-generation Grange member, is National Grange Pomona, having been elected in 2018. She is a member of Medford Grange #188, Maryland, holding the office of Lady Assistant Steward. At the State level, she is an elected member of the Executive committee, and is the State Grange Treasurer.

Kay grew up in 4-H, with her main project focusing on dairy and which led her to meet her husband, Allen Stiles, who serves as Maryland State Grange President. She has been a member of the Maryland 4-H All Stars since 1976 and has held multiple offices including Secretary, Treasurer, and Executive Committee.

She was the first ever Maryland State Jersey Queen, the Caroline County Farm Queen, and a member of the Maryland Jersey Cattle Club where she served as President, Secretary, Treasurer, and on the Executive Committee.

Kay graduated Magna Cum Laude from Wesley College in Dover, Delaware.

Kay currently lives on a Jersey dairy farm with her husband, Allen. She has worked for the Anne Arundel County Government since 1976, as a civil legal secretary for the County Attorney, office manager and OIT's Support Division Chief. She currently serves as Chairman for county's non-union employees. She is also the Chief Judge for her hometown of Ridgely.



## Sixth Degree To Be Conferred; Tickets Available

The Washington State Grange Officers will be conferring the Sixth Degree at the Annual State Grange Session on Wednesday, June 22. The conferral will begin at 7 p.m. and will be held in the Fair Farm, the same location as the delegate meetings.

All Sixth Degree candidates must have received the Fifth Degree of the Order, will be exemplified at 6:30 p.m. by a team from Pierce County. Candidates should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the degrees to get seated in the designated areas.

Tickets for the Fifth Degree are \$1 each. Tickets for the Sixth Degree are \$10 each. Tickets will be available in the registration area of the convention.

## Resolutions For Consideration At The 2022 WA State Grange Convention

The following resolutions have been received and will be considered at this year's State Grange Session. The resolution topics and committee referrals include:

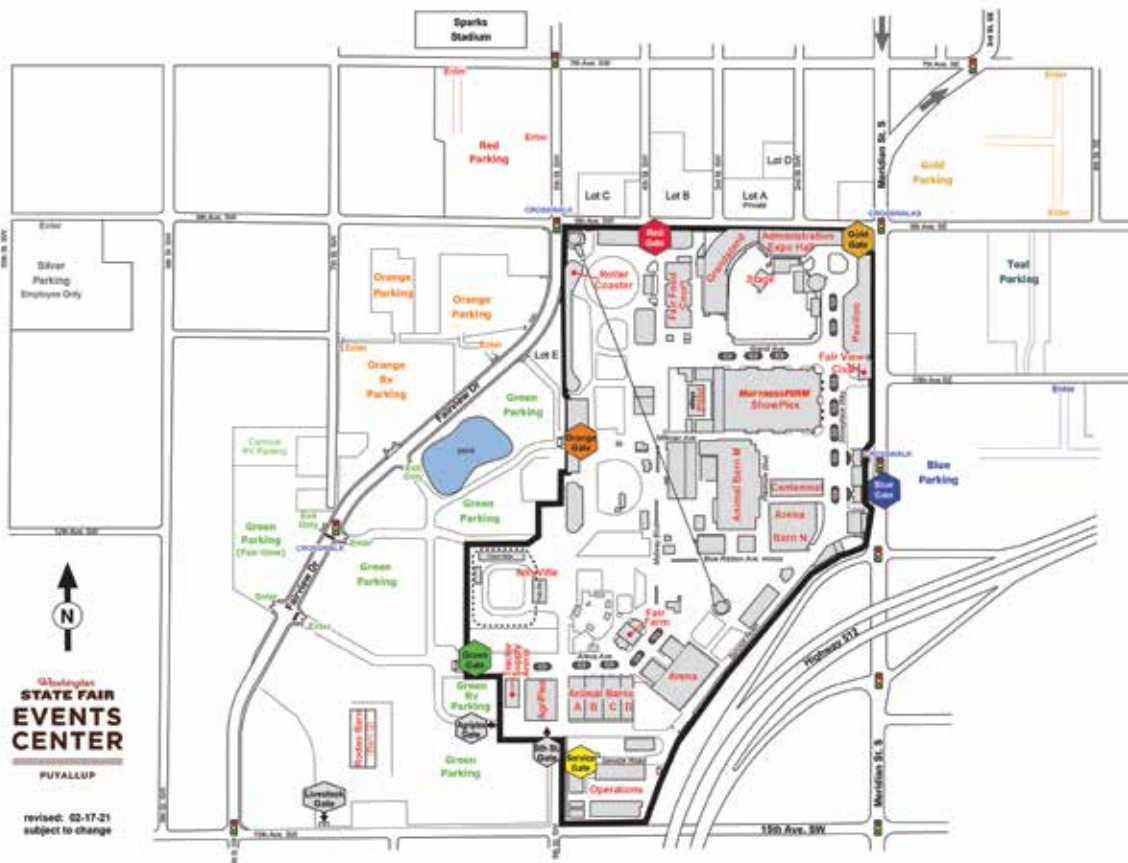
RES. #	TITLE	SPONSORING GRANGE	COMMITTEE REFERRAL
2022-01	Support I-1436	Whitman Co. Pomona #2	Health & Health Care
2022-02	Repeal the Washington Cares Program	Whitman Co. Pomona #2	Health & Health Care
2022-03	Support for RCW Title 85 Improvement Districts	South Union #860	State Legislative
2022-04	Junior Grange Secretary's Members Gained and Loss Report	Elk Plain #782	Grange Law
2022-05	Elections in Odd-Numbered Years	Issaquah Valley #581	State Legislative
2022-06	Partnering with Agriculture when Creating Riparian Zone Policy and Law	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	Agriculture
2022-07	Regarding Internet Access to all Rural Areas in the U.S.	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	National Legislative
2022-08	Proceeds from Insurance Settlements and Claims	Elk Plain #782	Grange Law
2022-09	Regarding Water Abundance, Health, and Security for Agriculture: The Farm, Forest, Fish Connection	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	Fish & Wildlife
2022-10	Officer Titles	San Juan Island #966	Grange Law
2022-11	National Grange Voting Representation	Moses Lake #1151	Grange Law
2022-12	Family Membership in All Granges in Washington State	Humptulps #730	Grange Law
2022-13	Medicare to Include Early-Stage Cander Screening	Humptulps #730	Health & Health Care
2022-14	Essential Immunizations	Grays Harbor/ Pacific Pomona #28	Health & Health Care
2022-15	Ocean Shipping Reform	Grays Harbor/ Pacific Pomona #28	National Legislative
2022-16	Placement of the Grange Flag	Pierce County Pomona #16	Grange Law
2022-17	Eliminate Junk Mail Discount	Rome #226	National Legislative
2022-18	Landline Dependent Citizens at Risk	Stranger Creek #374	National Legislative
2022-19	Support for RCW Title 85 Districts and Strengthening of RCW 36.89	South Union #860	State Legislative
2022-20	WA Dept Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) Manage Elk in Easter Skagit County	Skagit Valley #620	Fish & Wildlife
2022-21	Limiting Duration Governor's Executive Order	Haynie #169	State Legislative
2022-22	Limiting IRS Refunds	Haynie #169	Taxation & Fiscal Policy
2022-23	Licensing Electric Bikes	Haynie #169	Transportation
2022-24	Recognizing Parent's Rights in Education Political Participation	Deer Lagoon #846	Education
2022-25	Parents as Primary Stakeholder in their Children's Lives up to the Age of Majority	Deer Lagoon #846	State Legislative
2022-26	Cameras on All Ballot Boxes	Deer Lagoon #846	State Legislative
2022-27	Conservation district Elections	Sunnyside #129	Conservation & Ecology
2022-28	Name Change for Integrated Pest Management	Sunnyside #129	Agriculture
2022-29	Keep All Paper Ballots for 22 Months	Deer Lagoon #843	State Legislative
2022-30	Home Protests	Whitman County Pomona #2	National Legislative

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.



# 2022 Convention Info

## Map Of The Washington State Fair Event Center in Puyallup



## Directions To The 2022 Convention Site

The Washington State Fairgrounds is located at 110 9th Avenue SW in Puyallup. This is the location of the Fair Administration Office. Campers will need to check in here before proceeding to the campground.

The Washington State Grange Annual Session will be held across the fairgrounds from the administration office. We will be parking in the Green Parking Lot and entering through the Green Gate.

**Please use the following directions to take you to the Green Gate:**

**From the North:**

From State Hwy 512, take the Meridian Street exit. At the bottom of the exit ramp, turn left at the stop light (this will take you away from the fairgrounds). Turn right at the second stoplight onto 15th Avenue SW. Continue to the next stoplight, where you turn right onto Fairview Drive. Turn right into the Green Parking Lot and proceed to the designated parking area.

**From the South:**

From State Hwy 512, take the Meridian Street Exit (at the bottom of the hill). At the bottom of the exit ramp, turn right onto Meridian Street. At the next stoplight, turn right onto 15th Avenue SW. Continue to the next stoplight, where you turn right onto Fairview Drive. Turn right into the Green Parking Lot and proceed to the designated parking area.

## Grange Clothing Orders Now Available Online

Grange Clothing can now be purchased online. Pre-order your clothes before the Annual Convention. Start shopping today at <https://stores.creativeink1.com/wa-grange/shop/home>.

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## The Washington State Grange ORDER FORM

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	Color	SIZE	QUANTITY
Ladies Concept Open Cardigan			
L5430			
	black dusky blue gray smoke		\$38
Ladies Modern Stretch Cotton Cardigan			
L515			
	black true navy		\$35
Ladies Puffy Vest			
L709			
	dark slate black berry Mediterranean		\$55
Puffy Vest			
J709			
	dark slate black Mediterranean		\$55
EcoSmart® Unisex Full-Zip Hooded Sweatshirt			
P180			
	royal maroon black		\$40



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# Washington State Grange Awards \$21,000 In Scholarships

The Washington State Grange is awarding \$21,000 in scholarships to deserving high school seniors and current college students. The scholarships are offered through the Washington State Grange Foundation to assist Grange members and children of Grange members in attending college. The scholarships range from \$750 to \$1500 each.



**MARGUERITE "MAGGIE" BAILEY**

**McINTOSH GRANGE #1001  
FOX ISLAND GRANGE  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1250**

Maggie Bailey is the daughter of Samuel and Anne Bailey. The Freeman High School graduate currently attends Carroll College in Montana, where she is working toward her bachelor's degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, with a minor in Sociology. Her studies are emphasized in agricultural crop genetics. She hopes to use her degree to test the genetics of various agricultural crops. Maggie and her parents are members of McIntosh Grange. For the past several years, Maggie has assisted with Grange activities at the Southeast Spokane Fair.



**MICHELLE BROOKS**

**PROSPECT POINT GRANGE #1067  
NOB HILL GRANGE  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1500**

Michelle Brooks is a member of Prospect Point Grange in Walla Walla County. A 1980 graduate of Waitsburg High School, Michelle has chosen to return to school at Walla Walla Community College to study Nursing. She will receive her AA degree this spring. She will take Social and Health Services courses to complement her AA degree, while waiting for the nursing program to start. Michelle's long-term goal is to become a labor and delivery RN. With a family and household to support, Michelle works full-time at the VA Medical Center in Walla Walla. Michelle recently took on the position of Secretary for Prospect Point Grange. Michelle was awarded the Nob Hill Grange Scholarship.



**LEXUS BROOKS**

**PROSPECT POINT GRANGE #1067  
BEAR CREEK/HORSESHOE GRANGE  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1000**

Lexus Brooks, a 2019 graduate of Waitsburg High School, is the daughter of Steve and Michelle Brooks. She is a member of Prospect Point Grange in Walla Walla County. With the goal of becoming a registered nurse, Lexus will complete her AA degree this spring at Walla Walla Community College. She is planning to enroll in the nursing program, with the anticipation of graduating as a registered nurse in June 2024. Lexus works full-time as a Certified Nursing Assistant and in the Covid-18 testing program for Columbia Safety LLC in Walla Walla. Lexus was awarded the Bear Creek/Horseshoe Grange Scholarship.



**MORGAN BROWNING**

**MOSSYROCK GRANGE #355  
LONE YEW GRANGE  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1250**

Morgan Browning, the daughter of Thomas Browning and Janice Browning, is a 2020 graduate of Mossyrock High School. Morgan was awarded the Lone Yew Grange Scholarship to continue studying Fire Science at North Seattle Community College. Upon completion of the fire science degree, Morgan is planning to attend paramedic school. On two occasions, Morgan has been a member of the National Grange Youth Officer Team. She is a former WA State Grange Youth Ambassador and a National Junior Grange Ambassador. She is a counselor at Grange Camp, and was president of her school's FFA chapter. She is a member of the Mossyrock Fire Department and was recently appointed to the State Grange Youth Team.





**KADINCE COMPTON**

**BEEHIVE GRANGE #385  
KOSS MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1000**

Kadince Compton, the daughter of Jason and DeAnn Compton, is a 2021 graduate of Wenatchee High School. She attends Washington State University, studying Agricultural Food and Business Economics. Kadi and her parents are members of BeeHive Grange. She was an active member of FFA, where she has been awarded the FFA State Degree. Kadi raises market hogs, first starting in the 4-H program and later moving to the FFA program. She served as the Chelan County Fair Ambassador. Upon her college completion, Kadi hopes to work in Agricultural Sales. Kadi was awarded the Jack Koss Memorial Scholarship.



**ZACHARY CROUSE**

**RIMROCK GRANGE #941  
HELEN MARIE SNYDER MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1000**

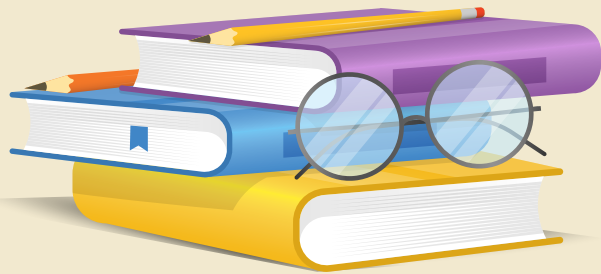
Zachary Crouse, a graduating senior at Washtucna High School, is the son of Steve and Colleen Course. The family are members of Rimrock Grange in Adams County. Zachary plans to attend the University of Washington to study Computer Science. Hoping to become a software engineer, Zachary was awarded the Helen Marie Snyder Memorial Scholarship. He has served several years as the ASB Treasurer and is also the FFA Chapter Treasurer. He has shown swine in the FFA department at the fair. Zachary works full-time in the summer on the family farm operating agricultural equipment and pulling rye.



**MAGUIRE ISAAK**

**ST. ANDREWS GRANGE #832  
KEGLEY AGRICULTURAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1250**

Maguire Isaak, a member of Douglas County’s St. Andrews Grange, is a 2019 graduate of Almira-Coulee-Hartline High School. The son of Brian and Corrine Isaak, Maguire is the recipient of the prestigious Kegley Agricultural Scholarship. He attends Washington State University, where he will enter his fourth year studying Agricultural Economics. Maguire is involved with intramural sports at WSU and is a member of the Young Farmers and Ranchers Club and the Economics Club. In the summer, he works for the Isaak Brothers Farm and at school he is an Undergraduate Research Assistant for the Department pf Crop and Soil Sciences. Upon graduation, Maguire plans to work for the family farm.



**NATALIE DOELMAN**

**SHARON GRANGE #800  
NORMAN BUCCHOLZ MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1250**

Natalie Doelman, a member of Sharon Grange in Grays Harbor County, is the recipient of the Norman Buccholz Memorial Scholarship. The daughter of Nick and Nora Doelman, Natalie is a 2020 graduate of Bellarmine High School who is studying Agricultural Food Economics at Purdue University in West Latayette, IN. Growing up on a dairy farm, Natalie served as the Grays Harbor County Dairy Ambassador. She is a Dairy Marketing Intern for the Dairy Farmers of America and previously was a Public Policy Aide at the Washington State Dairy Federation. Upon college graduation, she will seek a career in Agricultural Economic Policy.



**MARIANNA ISAAK**

**ST. ANDREWS GRANGE #832  
RAY & MARIAN KAMMERER MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1500**

The daughter of Brian and Corinne Isaak, Marianna Isaak is a member of St. Andrews Grange in Douglas County. She will graduate in June from Almira-Coulee-Hartline High School. Marianna plans to study Pre-Law and English at Baylor University in Waco, TX. She has been involved with the ASB in high school and is currently the ASB President. Marianna participates and provides leadership to her high school volleyball, softball, and basketball teams. She is also involved with FBLA, pep band, FFA, and 4-H. Marianna is a farm worker at Isaak Brothers Farms.

**Meet the 2022 Scholarship  
Award Recipients**

# Washington State Grange Awards \$21,000 In Scholarships



**LAURA KILLEEN**

**SOUTH BAY GRANGE #250  
ADRIAN & BETTY DEVRIES MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1000**

Laura Killeen, a member of South Bay Grange in Thurston County, is the daughter of Emily Killeen and the late John Killeen. She will graduate from North Thurston High School in June. Laura is planning to attend South Puget Sound Community College. She then plans to transfer to The Evergreen State College to study Food and Agriculture. Laura has been a 4-H member for ten years with involvement with rabbit, poultry, foods, arts, and textile projects. As an FFA member, she has been involved with the chapter plant sale and raised rabbits and poultry. Laura was awarded the Adrian and Betty DeVries Memorial Scholarship.



**ELIZABETH ROIBAL**

**MCINTOSH GRANGE #1001  
POMONA VILLA  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1000**

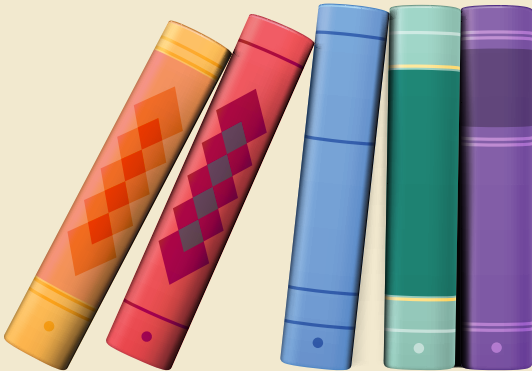
Ellie Roibal, the daughter of James and Alyssa Roibal, is a member of McIntosh Grange. Ellie is a 2021 graduate of Freeman High School. She is studying Biology/Pre-Med at Washington State University. She then plans to attend medical school to specialize in mental health. Ellie has been a counselor at NEWA Junior Grange Camp. Elizabeth has accumulated over 300 hours of community service during her four years of high school. At Freeman High School, she has carried a 4.0 GPA for four years and was on the track and cheer teams. She is a Barista at the Dawghouse and is a gymnastics coach in Spokane Gymnastics. Elizabeth was awarded the Pomona Villa Scholarship.



**BROOKLYN MILLER**

**CAMAS VALLEY GRANGE #842  
INGA ANDERSON MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$750**

Brooklyn Miller is a graduating senior at Deer Park High School, who will also graduate from Spokane Falls Community College with her AA degree. The daughter of Dan Miller and Traci Kessler, Brooklyn plans to continue her studies in Pharmaceuticals at Washington State University. A member of Camas Valley Grange in Stevens County, she has volunteered at the Grange's Dinner of Thanks and their Christmas Dinner. A former Junior Grange member, Brooklyn was awarded the Inga Anderson memorial Scholarship.



**HANNAH POLAND**

**EAST WENATCHEE GRANGE #1012  
MARTIN & GRACE FORRY MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1250**

Hannah Poland, the daughter of Shayne and Darcy Poland, will graduate in June from Eastmont High School. She is a member of Douglas County's East Wenatchee Grange, and has been awarded the Martin and Grace Forry Memorial Scholarship. Hannah has been attending Wenatchee Valley College as a Running Start Student, who will be transferring to the University of Idaho to study Agri Business. She has participating in the FFA and 4-H programs, serving as an officer and showing rabbits, goats, sheep, and swine.



**JACOB ROIBAL**

**MCINTOSH GRANGE #1001  
FRENCH CREEK GRANGE  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1000**

Jacob Roibal, a member of McIntosh Grange, is the son of James and Alyssa Roibal. Jacob was awarded the French Creek Grange Scholarship. A 2019 graduate of Freeman High School, Jacob is majoring in Architecture, with a minor in Construction Management at Washington State University. He then plans to work toward a Masters Degree and eventually open his own architecture firm. Jacob was previously a counselor at NEWA Junior Grange Camp. Jacob has worked during the summers for Flynn BEC in the Spokane area and at Blend, a landscape architecture business.





**BAILEY SHERLEY**

**MENASTASH GRANGE #1054  
KEGLEY AGRICULTURAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1500**

Bailey Sherley, a 2021 graduate of Ellensburg High School, will be a junior at Washington State University studying Agricultural and Food Business Economics. The daughter of Dan and Becky Sherley, she was awarded the prestigious Kegley Agricultural Scholarship. Bailey is a member of Kittitas County’s Menastash Grange. She serves as a Student Ambassador for the WSU College of Agricultural, Human and Natural Resources. Bailey has been a member of both 4-H and FFA, showing swine and beef, and excelling in the livestock judging program. She has previously served as the Kittitas County Fair Ambassador.



**ALLYSON STOLLER**

**FARGHER LAKE GRANGE #853  
ROCK CREEK GRANGE  
SCHOLARSHIP \$750**

Allyson Stoller, a graduating senior at Camas High School, is a member of Clark County’s Fargher Lake Grange. Allyson is planning to attend Utah Technical University to study Biomedical Sciences. The daughter of Elijah and Michelle Stoller, Allyson has participated in student government, volleyball, basketball, and softball. She plans to use her college degree to volunteer and serve others in the medical field.



**JASON TERRASI**

**MOSSYROCK GRANGE #355  
MARION & SNOWIE VANDERPOOL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1000**

Jason Terrasi, a member of Mossyrock Grange in Lewis County, was awarded the Marion & Snowie Vanderpool Scholarship. He is a graduate of Mossyrock High School, who is pursuing a degree in Fire Science at North Seattle Community College. Jason is a volunteer firefighter with Lewis County Fire District #3, spending approximately 250 volunteer hours each year. He is employed as a Substitute Paraeducator at Mossyrock Elementary School. Jason is working toward his EMT certification and would like to be employed in a fire services department.



**MELIA SMITH**

**EAST WENATCHEE GRANGE #1012  
DELPHA GOUDE MEMORIAL  
SCHOLARSHIP \$1250**

Melia Smith, a member of East Wenatchee Grange in Douglas County, is the recipient of the Delpha Goude Memorial Scholarship. The daughter of Gabe and Denaye Smith, Melia will graduate in June from Liberty Homeschool Academy. She is planning to attend Wenatchee Valley College, with studies focusing on becoming a Certified ASL Interpreter. Melia has been a 4-H member for five years and recently joined the Grange to participate in the Grange Youth Fairs Program. She is the Secretary of the East Wenatchee Grange Youth Fairs Program and is the rabbit project youth leader.



**SHIANNE WATTS**

**MENASTASH GRANGE #1054  
RIVERVIEW GRANGE  
SCHOLARSHIP \$750**

Shianne Watts is a 2022 graduate of Ellensburg High School. A member of Menastash Grange in Kittitas County, she is planning to attend Yakima Valley Community College to complete the Veterinary Technical Course. She would eventually like to work for an equine veterinarian. She is an active member of the FFA, where she participates in livestock judging. Shianne is also a 4-H member, where she participates in equine judging. The daughter of Mike and Dori Watts, Shianne was awarded the Riverview Grange Scholarship.

**Meet the 2022 Scholarship  
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# Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

## Youth

### Convention Youth Activities Scheduled



Jerry Gwin

By Jerry Gwin  
State Youth Director

The Annual State Grange Convention is rapidly approaching. The youth group will have their own schedule of activities which includes:

**Wednesday, June 22**

- 9 am – 1 pm..... Turn in of Keep Washington Warm Donations and Auction Items
- 9 am ..... Youth Group Meeting – get acquainted activities and election of youth officers
- 1:30 am ..... Installation of Youth Officers, followed by officer practice
- 6:30 pm ..... Exemplification of the Fifth Degree
- 7 pm ..... Exemplification of the Sixth Degree

**Thursday, June 23**

- 8:30 am ..... Youth Group meeting and drill practice
- 10 am ..... Youth Tour
- 3 pm ..... Attend address of National Grange Representative
- 5:05 pm ..... Convention Group Photo
- 6 p.m. .... Celebration Banquet, followed by awards and auction

**Friday, June 24**

- 8:30 am ..... Youth Group meeting and drill practice
- 11 am ..... Attend Junior awards Program
- 12 p.m. .... Junior Grange Ice Cream Social
- 1 p.m. .... Public Speaking and Sign-a-Song Contest
- 5:30 pm ..... GROW Club Pizza Dinner (co-host) at Trackside Pizza
- 8 p.m. .... Talent Show

**Saturday, June 25**

- 8 a.m. .... Youth Officers Open Session in Fourth Degree – youth awards program and raffle drawing
- 9:30 am ..... Youth Group Meeting
- 11 am ..... Quilts of Valor Presentation
- 1:30 pm ..... Memorial Service
- 3:30 pm ..... Installation of State Officers
- 5 pm ..... Closing of Session

We are hoping for a large youth group at the convention.

**Reminder:**

The National Grange Youth and Junior Grange Departments will hold their **Annual Fund Raising Telethon on July 9**. The purpose is to raise funds for both the Youth and Junior Programs at the national level. In addition to financial contributions, the telethon will include testimonials and a variety of Grange talent. If either the Youth or Junior Grange programs have made a positive impact on your life, we would ask to you provide a testimonial. We will be filming testimonials at our session. Sign up to participate at the youth raffle ticket table at State Session.



## Junior

### Volunteers Needed At State Grange Convention



Heather Ferguson

By Heather Ferguson  
Junior Grange Director

Is everyone getting packed for state convention? I have been for the last month. This is going to be an exciting convention in the Junior Department. We have lots of fun crafts, activities and possibly an end of week dance party planned.

For any of our Juniors planning on attending convention this year, and I hear many are not out of school yet, our opening and closing on the floor will be on Friday morning. As always, that morning will also be our Junior awards ceremony. We will need to stay in the area to then set up the ice cream social. If anyone is willing to serve ice cream, I would love your help.

Remember that any Junior can enter art or crafts in the Junior contest. They do not need to win at a Lecturers contest. The Juniors display area will be in the same building as the Junior room and Youth room, just look for the red table cloths with your entries. Please have all of the entries labeled with name, age, Junior Grange/Grange, and class.

I am so excited to see Juniors in person this

year. My dining room is full of craft items, games, auction items and surprises just for the Juniors. I will see you at convention.

### Convention 2022 Junior Schedule- Tentative

**Thursday-**

- 9:00 - Arrival and Paperwork
- 12:00 - Lunch – Provided
- 4:30 - Pick-up

**Friday-**

- 9:00 - Check-In
- 10:30 - Junior Grange Program and Awards
- 12:00 - Ice Cream Social (No Lunch Provided)
- 4:30 - Pick-up

**Saturday-**

- 9:00 - Arrival
- 12:00 - Pizza Party
- 4:30 - Pick-up and Goodbyes

## Junior Connection

**Camas Valley Junior Grange**

Camas Valley Junior Grange turned in over 1,000 lbs of aluminum cans to a recycling center! The group had a table at the May 21 Springdale Community Yard Sale and has reserved a spot at the July 16 Showcase In The Park. A huge thank you to each Junior Grange membsr and leader.

**Green Bluff Junior Grange**

Green Bluff Jr. Grangers collected over 350 pounds of garbage on the “Clean Up the Bluff” on April 26. Thanks to them and their volunteer helpers the Bluff looks great!

**Humptulips Junior Grange**

Humptulips Junior Grangers had nearly 90 entries in the Grange Lecturer and Family Living contests. Over 20 entries received the purple Best of Class award and will go on to the state contests. The Junior Grange donated food to the Backpack Program at Emerson Elementary School in Hoquiam. Members placed flags on the veteran’s graves for at the Humptulips and Lake Quinalt Cemeteries for Memorial Day. Follow the flag placement, Junior Grangers had a picnic at Lake Quinalt and went for a hike in the forest.

### Cowlitz County Pomona Delivers Third Grade Dictionaries Local Students



Members of Cowlitz County Pomona #7 Grange delivered Third Grade Dictionaries to Columbia Valley Gardens Elementary School in Longview WA . They gave out a total of 67 dictionaries to 3 classes.

Phyllis Ogden is shown telling the students of Ms. Gudgells class about the dictionaries. Other Grangers not pictured were Joan Frymire , Rex Ogden and Tena Hedges.



# Washington State Grange Salutes The Class Of 2022



The Washington State Grange salutes our college and high school graduates for a job well done! Best of luck in the career path you have chosen.



**Brent Hall**  
Haynie Grange #169  
Ferndale High School



**Lori Lynn Ogden**  
Sunnyside Grange  
Castle Rock High School



**Nickolas Webb**  
Rimrock Grange  
LaCrosse High School



**Olivia Hurley**  
Stillaguamish Grange  
Skagit Valley College  
AA in Transfer General



**Megan Palmer**  
Mossyrock Grange  
Grand Canyon University  
Master of Education  
Elementary Education



**Jazlynn Webb**  
Rimrock Grange  
Central Washington University  
Special Education





# Washington State Granges...



## FIRST PLACE: Sharon Grange

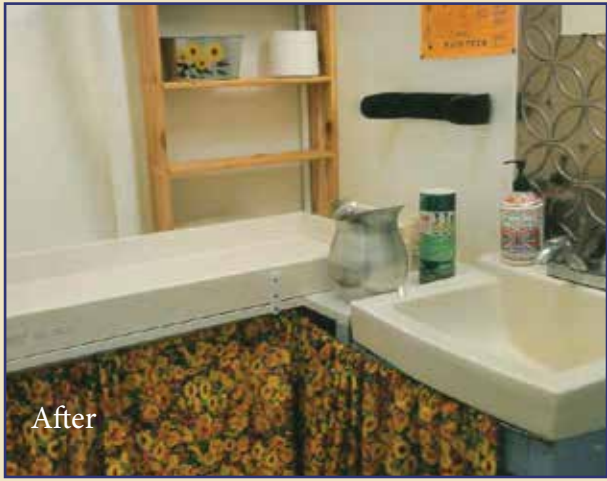
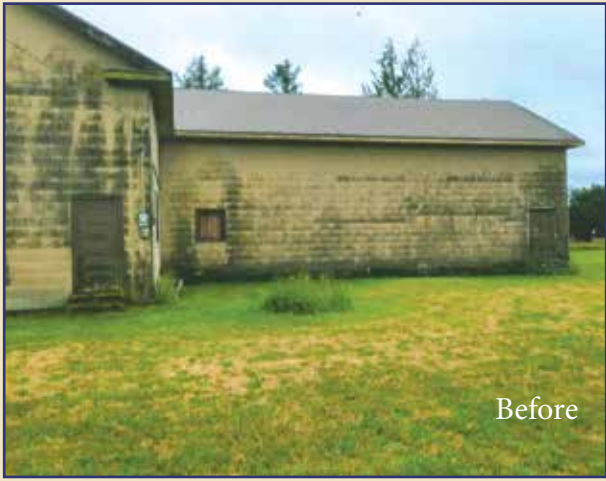
A variety of multi-faceted improvement projects has led Sharon Grange #800 to the first-place award in the 2022 Grange Hall Improvement Contest. Located near the community of Porter in Grays Harbor County, Sharon Grange took on both interior and exterior projects to improve their hall.

Known for its Annual Oyster Feed, perhaps the most important project was the remodeling of the Grange's "Oyster Kitchen". The Annual Oyster Feed is the primary source of income for the Grange, supplying funds for programs and projects. For the kitchen, the Grange applied for and received a grant from the Grays Harbor Community Foundation. Improvements included the installation of new sheet rock and stainless-steel counters. A new dishwasher was installed and the exhaust system was replaced. New lighting was installed, the flooring replaced, and a new sliding entrance door to the kitchen was installed. The project was completed prior to their 67th Annual Oyster Feed in March.

On the exterior of the hall, Grange members cleaned up and removed debris, trees, and shrubs located in close proximity to the hall. The hall was power washed and painted. Rotten siding boards were replaced. Grange members installed new gutters on the hall.

Plexiglass on the front doors was replaced with new safety glass. Restrooms were repaired and remodeled. The entrance hall was redecorated. Grange members worked on the parking lot, scraping off the old grass and installing crushed rock. The parking lot was levelled and the rock packed to make a solid surface.

The series of much needed projects led Sharon Grange to the first-place award. They will receive a \$500 cash award, plaque and town hall marker for their efforts.



## SECOND PLACE: Fern Prairie Grange

Clark County's Fern Prairie Grange #866 is the second-place winner in this year's contest. Upon performing a thorough inspection of their Grange Hall, Grange members developed a robust list of needed repairs and improvements.

Major projects for Fern Prairie included:

- replacing their sump pump
- updating sinks and cabinets in both restrooms
- disassembling and repairing their oil furnace,
- adding gutter drains and dry wells to keep water from entering the basement
- installing fascia boards on rafter ends so gutters could be installed
- replacing rusted out sheet metal at the peak of the hall
- replacing emergency exit signs with LED style signs
- painting inside the basement and pressure washing the hall exterior
- cleaning and repairing secondary exit stairs

As the second-place winners, Fern Prairie Grange will receive a \$300 cash award, plaque, and town hall marker.





# Improve Their Halls, Receive Recognition

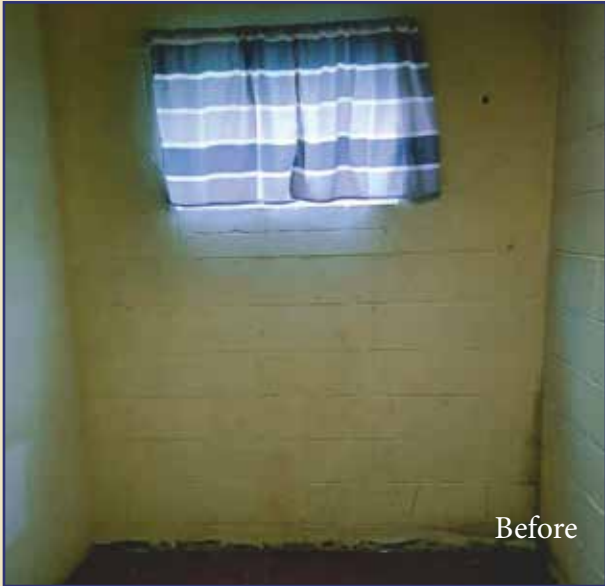


### THIRD PLACE: McLane Grange

McLane Grange #383 in Thurston County is the third-place winner. McLane Grangers focused on several safety projects to improve their hall.

- Their list of projects included:
- installing new emergency exit signs
  - refilling the hall's fire extinguishers
  - repairing the Grange's secure access box that contains a hall key for fire department access
  - installation of dusk-to-dawn lights on each corner of the hall and at the front entrance
  - developing waterproof external signage for advertising Grange events
  - men's restroom repairs, including fixing the urinal and painting the room
  - installation of tile on the wooden kitchen countertop
  - designing and constructing new steps for the stage

McLane Grange will receive a \$200 cash award, plaque, and town hall marker.



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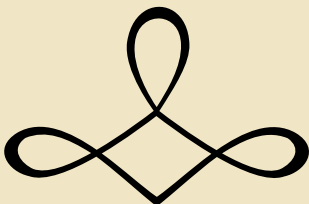
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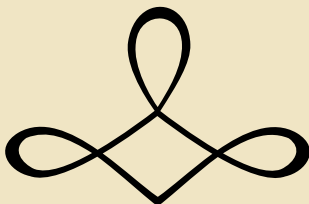
### FOURTH PLACE: Olympic View Grange

The fourth-place winner is Olympic View Grange #774. This Grays Harbor County Grange focused primarily on replacing lighting in the dining room and the lodge room. The old fluorescent tube lights were replaced with single LED lights. They also replaced the non-working electrical outlets in the kitchen area.

Olympic View Grange will receive a \$100 cash award, plaque, and town hall marker.



The awards will be presented during the Annual State Grange Session on Thursday, June 23 as a part of the Awards Program following the Celebration Banquet. The banquet will be held in the same location as the delegate meetings....the Fair Farm.





Home & Family

# Last Minute Thoughts On The State Convention

By Helen Berg  
Family Living Director

Some last minute thoughts before our convention in June. As I have been compiling your contest results I have found

that some of you are using out dated programs. This is most prevalent in baking. Please discard all programs prior to 2022. You will be getting a new program at the beginning of 2023 for the next year.



Helen Berg

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Wonky Star

Last month I forgot to mention that we need auction items for both the live and silent auctions. Monies from the auctions fund the family living program so donations are greatly appreciated. We will also be having a sale table this year and would welcome any small items to be sold. Hand made items would be nice.

In case you missed it we will be taking entries on Tuesday, June 22 from 2:00 until 6:00 and again on Wednesday from 8:00-1:00. Judging will have started by 10:00 so I ask that you not wander about the building.

I am excited to see so many of you. At this moment we have over 200 entries. Things are looking up.

See you soon.



## Fresh Summer Salsa

(Courtesy of Family Features)

It's time to kick off summer with a bang. With exciting summer events like baseball, sunbathing and barbecues filling social calendars, comes a whole new array of fresh, sunny day snacks just waiting to be devoured.

If you're in the mood for something sweet with a hint of spice, try this Citrus, Mango, and Pineapple Salsa. It features fresh, fruity flavors from the pineapple, mango, lemon, and lime plus a surprising bite of jalapeno. It's the perfect balance of sweet and zesty.

This light, warm-weather appetizer is perfect for pool parties or dining al fresco. A fresh twist on traditional salsa, this recipe will have people lining up for a second scoop to help beat the heat.

Enjoy it with tortilla chips or as a topping on your favorite tacos to add a little sweetness to a traditionally savory meal.

For more fresh summertime recipes, visit [Culinary.net](http://Culinary.net).

## Citrus, Mango, and Pineapple Salsa

### Ingredients:

- 1 1/4 cup fresh pineapple, diced
- 1 1/4 cup fresh mango, diced
- 2 tomatoes
- 1/2 red onion, diced
- 1 jalapeno, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon coriander
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- sea salt, to taste
- fresh cracked pepper, to taste
- tortilla chips, for serving

In a large bowl, combine pineapple, mango, tomato, onion, jalapeno, coriander, lime juice, lemon juice, and salt and pepper, to taste. With a rubber spatula, mix all ingredients together. Taste and season with additional salt and pepper, if desired.

Serve with tortilla chips.

# Goldendale Grange Hosts Post- Pandemic Prom



Students at Goldendale High School were looking forward to the first prom dance since the start of the Covid Pandemic. For two years they were unable to hold a prom. Normally the Junior class would be responsible for planning, decorating, and the cost of the event. But, Covid prevented them from holding fundraising projects. This left the class searching for ways to cover the cost of the event. Realizing the problem Goldendale Grange offered to host the dance, free of charge, while also providing punch and cookies. This gesture provided the students the opportunity to hold their dance away from the school halls that they see every day and have a night of fun.

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# Grange Connection

**GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY**

**East Oakville Grange** held a successful Flea Market and Swap Meet on April 28-May 1. Another event is scheduled for May 7-9 at the Grange Hall.

**Elma Grange** hosted the Clothing and Formal Dress Exchange on April 23. The next Grange Garage Sale will be June 3-5 at the hall.

**Humptulips Grange** hosted a full house at their Mother's Day Basket Bingo on May 7. The community was definitely ready for community events to start up again. We are pleased to have a new roof on our Grange Hall. Wireless internet access has been installed in the Grange Hall. The Grange voted to have displays at the Grays Harbor County Fair in Elma in August and the Washington State Fair in Puyallup in September. Use of the Grange Food Bank is slowly creeping up as we served 67 families in May.

**Olympic View Grange** has been working on replacing the lighting in the lodge room. Electrical outlets in the kitchen have also been repaired. Hall rentals are picking up and will assist the Grange in paying the bills.

**Satsop Grange** hosts the Satsop Flea Market on the first weekend of each month. Plans are underway for repairing the restroom floors. The Grange held a successful Easter Egg Hunt with the Satsop School in April.

**Sharon Grange** reported on their continuing building renovations. Attendance was down for the 67th Annual Oyster

Feed due to some people not being comfortable after the pandemic. The Grange had several entries in the Grange contests, with entries doing to state in needlework, quilting, photo, and craft contests. The Grange hosted the Pomona Meeting and contests in May.

**PACIFIC COUNTY**

**Long Beach Grange** had tables available at the Grange Hall over Memorial Day Weekend for the "World's Longest Garage Sale".

**North River Grange** participated in the county contests. The Grange hosted a successful spring plant and seed exchange on May 14. The Grange continues to operate the North River Food Bank.

**SKAGIT COUNTY**

**Skagit Valley Grange** at their May meeting decided that instead of replacing the pole and light in the parking lot, they would place two lights on the building for better coverage and less expense. The program for the evening was the annual Memorial Service. Chaplain Karen Swift-Castello presented a lovely program with flowers and candles. Memorialized were Letitia Brown, Edna Waits and Fred Hall. She also remembered those in the armed forces who gave their lives and those workers in the medical field who gave their lives in the Covid pandemic.

**SPOKANE COUNTY**

**Green Bluff Grange** community events have been successful. It is helping to bring new people into the Grange —Richard Irvin and

Stevie Lynn. Women Warrior Vets will make strawberry jam/jelly at the Grange. We continue the last Sunday of the month "All you can eat Pancake Breakfast" on June 26 (strawberries) and July 31 (cherries). After the June 26 breakfast there will be an inaugural 4-mile Memorial Tractor Parade around the Bluff honoring Sherm Simpson and Mel Walker. June 7 was a "US Flags Retirement" presented by the Boy Scouts. Jim and Janice will attend State Grange Convention. Members are working diligently for the "Cherry Pickers Trot" on July 21. Keep updated by going to Green Bluff Grange Facebook and website.

**STEVENS COUNTY**

**Camas Valley Grange** provided location maps of participants in the May 21 Springdale Community Yard Sale, and the kitchen was open for both breakfast and lunch purchases. Bingo nights have been booked for June, August, and September by various community groups. Camas Valley Grange has reserved a spot at the July 16 Showcase In The Park. Starting September 19, the wood floors will be completely refinished - and cannot be walked on for about a month. Members and community volunteers will be called upon to help empty the areas for the refinisher. Haunted House/Kiddie Carnival planning is almost finalized. It is amazing how all the area groups are working together to make each community event successful. Stay safe and healthy. Remember to shop local and support small businesses in your area.

**THURSTON COUNTY**

**McLane Grange** annual fundraiser, the Delphi Craft & Swap Meet, continues its 2022 season Saturday, June 11, from 9 - 3 at the Grange Hall, 931 Delphi Rd. SW. Come shop for new and pre-owned treasures the second Saturday of each month through November to help us earn needed funds. New and returning vendors are on site each month to sell plants, photography, glass ware, jewelry, Avon, candles, dishes, home-made pillowcases, aprons and more. The remaining 2022 sale dates are June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8 and November 12. An amazing bake sale for families in need and free parking are available. And to sell your art, crafts or pre-owned treasures

contact Eladice at 360-970-5325 to reserve a table.

**South Union Grange** members met on May 16 for their regular meeting. Special guest at the meeting was Vicie Clark who received her 60-year membership seal. The Grange is making plans to hold candidates' forums for the positions of County Commissioner and Sheriff, with one forum to be held prior to the primary election and another prior to the general election. The next meeting will be at 7 pm on Monday June 20. Monthly dances with live country music by "The Country Four and More" are held the first Saturday of each month from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. All ages are welcome and the cost is \$6 per person.

## Pomona Calendar

**Pomona Grange Secretaries are requested to submit their 2022 list of meeting dates at their earliest convenience. Due to Covid-19, there may be numerous changes in this schedule. Please confirm your dates with the Pomona Grange Master or Secretary prior to the scheduled meeting**

- CHELAN** .....August 20 at BeeHive, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
- CLARK** .....June 8 at location to be determined, 7 p.m. July 13 at location to be determined.
- COWLITZ/ WAHKIAKUM** ..... August meeting to be determined.
- EXCELSIOR** ..... July 16 at Enterprises, 10:30 a.m., potluck picnic at noon.
- FERRY** ..... July 11 at Malo, 6 p.m.
- GRAYS HARBOR/ PACIFIC** ..... July 16 at Long Beach, 11 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
- KLICKITAT** ..... September 10 at Alder Creek, 5 p.m. potluck, 6 p.m. meeting.
- LEWIS** ..... August 6 at Logan Hill, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
- MASON** ..... September 17 at The Agate, 11 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
- OKANOGAN** ..... July 9 at Okanogan, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck lunch.
- PIERCE** .....July 8 at Marion, 10 a.m.
- SKAGIT** ..... July 13 at Pomona Park, 5:00 p.m. picnic and convention report.
- SNAKE RIVER** ..... September 17 at Columbia Valley, 10 a.m.
- SNOHOMISH** ..... July 16, 1 p.m. picnic at the Scherrer Ranch.
- STEVENS** ..... July 23 at Quilliscut, 11 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck lunch.
- THURSTON** ..... July 10, Pomona Picnic at 2 p.m., location to be announced.
- WHATCOM** ..... June 21 at Laurel, 7 p.m. Will have the flower contest.
- WHITMAN** ..... July 16, 12 p.m. picnic at Bassert Park on West Park Street in Washtucna. Will move to the Rimrock Grange Hall if weather is bad.
- YAKIMA VALLEY** .. July 11 at Fruitvale, 5 p.m. potluck, 6 p.m. meeting.

## Pomona Connection

**Cowlitz/Wahkiakum Pomona**

Cowlitz/Wahkiakum Pomona held their Lecturer and Family Living Contests in April at the Catlin Grange Hall. Purple ribbons were awarded to the top entries, which will represent our Pomona in the upcoming state contests.

**Grays Harbor/ Pacific Pomona**

Grays Harbor / Pacific Pomona Grange held their contests in May at the Sharon Grange Hall. There were 93 entries in the

family living contests and 99 entries in the Lecturer contests. Over 60 entries will go on to the state level in June. Davona Gwin and Tessa Taft will be the Pomona delegates to the State Grange Convention. The Pomona Grange renewed subscriptions to Good Day! magazine for each of the Subordinate Granges. We are starting to make plans for Grange participation in the Grays Harbor County Fair in Elma in August. The next meeting has been changed to Saturday, July 16, beginning at 11 a.m., at the Long

Beach Grange Hall.

**Thurston County Pomona**

Thurston County Pomona met at South Union Grange hall on May 5. The meeting included the annual memorial program under the leadership of Chaplain Shavanna May. The meeting was preceded by a potluck dinner. The annual Pomona picnic will be held on July 10 at 2 pm. Just a reminder that there will be no regular meetings in July or August.



# Grange Connection

## Sequim Prairie Grange: “Everybody Loves a Parade”



On May 14th, the Sequim Prairie Grange (#1108) participated in the 127th Sequim Irrigation Festival parade, along with the Clallam County Youth Grange. Since this is the longest running community festival, in Washington State, we entered our themed float, “The Past, Present and Future.”

Upon our float we honored 75 year member, Helen Bucher, 50 year member, Dorinda Becker and current grange President, Dave McDaniels. The float was pulled by 49 year member, Fred Grant and his shiny red, 1955 McCormick Farmall tractor.

The “Banana Belt” weather did not disappoint, and our members were grateful to be out among our community, once again.

The Youth Grange kids were proud of their new t-shirts and carried signs that advertised our grange events. They also handed out candy, to all the smiling faces that lined Washington Street. Many of their parents joined them and handed out Sequim Prairie Grange informational flyers.

Youth Grange members that put on their walking shoes were Jonas Tax, Anna-Marie Tax, Kaylee Lawson, AJ Lawson, Jill Adolphsen, Amy Adolphsen, Abigail Floyd and Aayden Floyd.

So much fun was had by all that we are already in the planning stages, for next year!



## Sharon Grange Junior And Youth Learn About Pumpkins



Sharon Grange held their 4th Jr and Youth Grange meeting on May 9th. During this meeting we had a guest speaker Tim Crockett and his wife Linda. Mr. and Mrs. Crockett own 'The Pumpkin Patch' on Goodrich Rd in Centralia. Mr. Crockett taught 9 of our Jr Grangers plus many of their parents about growing pumpkins and what is needed for healthy pumpkins. Each child learned to plant pumpkin seeds and took home a planter of them. During the next few months, we hope to get pictures of what they are growing and in October we will see who has the largest pumpkin. There may even be a fair pumpkin or two for this.

# National Grange News

## Registration Now Open for the 156th Annual National Grange Convention



The Western Host region is excited to invite Grangers and friends from across the country to the Silver State! We are just over 6 months away from the opening of the 156th National Grange Convention, set to be held in Reno-Sparks, Nevada from November 15 through 19, 2022.

Many new and exciting things are being planned by the Host region and you are sure to have a memorable experience in Reno!

This year, you are invited to kick off the 156th annual convention with a welcome reception on Monday, November 14. This reception is open to all who register for the convention. The

welcome reception will be full of entertainment and will include a large welcome from the Western States.

Nevada Grangers are excited to welcome members to their state and showcase some of the amazing things they are doing, like the Youth Fair Program, cultural art dancing and more!

Also, new this year is the ‘Experience Pass!’ Instead of taking a tour bus out of the hotel, we are bringing the tour to you. Those who purchase an ‘Experience Pass’ during their registration process will have the opportunity to stop in throughout the day on Friday, November 18th and Saturday,

November 19th to participate in hands-on education and fun, with local artisans, vendors, and people connected to the agriculture industry. This is an event open to all ages and is sure to bring a ton of fun to your convention experience.

Just like past conventions, Grangers will also have the opportunity to watch the Delegates of the National Grange debate policies and resolutions, discuss important changes, and make decisions for the future of the Order. The Western States are working together to bring the exemplification of the 6th Degree to the session on Saturday morning and, following that exemplification,

the Assembly of Demeter will exemplify the historic 7th Degree.

If you have never been to the Silver State or had the opportunity to obtain your 7th Degree, now is the time! Also throughout the week, you will have the opportunity to join in on workshops from different departments that could benefit you and your local Grange. There will also be time to meet with the National Grange leadership, learn about programming, and participate in contests and activities for Youth and Junior Grange members alike.

Don’t take too long to decide; catch the early bird registration and make plans to attend today by

registering for the National Grange Convention at this link: <https://www.nationalgrange.org/156th-annual-national-grange-convention/>

Early Bird Registration - \$32 is open until 9/9/2022

General Registration - \$37 is open until 10/19/22

Late Registration - \$42 closes for meal options on 11/1/22

Registration on Site - will be available at the late registration cost, however, you will not be able to obtain tickets to any meals



# National Grange News

## A View From The Hill - March 2021 Wrap-Up

**By Burton Eller**  
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**WASHINGTON OVERVIEW**

**Competition/Supply Chain Bill Moves Forward**

In April, Congress formally created a conference committee to resolve differences between the House and Senate versions of a bill designed to tackle supply chain issues and focus on areas of competition between the US and China. The bill as it stands is an omnibus bill including a wide variety of provisions which generally focus on supply chains as relates to trade with China. Both the House and Senate bills include provisions which would provide \$50.2 billion to support domestic semiconductor manufacturing, significant funding for supply chain resilience programs, and billions of dollars in high-tech research and development funding. However, the two versions of the bill differ significantly with regard to what foreign and trade policy changes they would mandate.

Along with resolving policy differences, the conference committee is likely to have members try to tack on new provisions which were not included in either the House or Senate bill in the hopes that they can use this package as an opportunity to move other priorities through Congress. One bill that may be added into the final bill is the Ocean Shipping Reform Act (OSRA). OSRA is a bill which the National Grange supports, that would reform the way that the Federal Maritime Commission operates to allow it increased authority to combat unfair shipping practices and increase American exports. It will likely take many more weeks before the House and Senate can agree on and pass a final version of the competition bill, and the National Grange will be monitoring the development of the bill closely.

**Ukraine, COVID-19 Funding, and Title 42**

Both parties in Congress have agreed on the general contours of another package of military and economic aid for Ukraine to support it in resisting Russia's invasion. Of interest to American farmers, some portion of this additional package may also include incentives for American farmers to increase production of commodities which will see decreased global supplies due to disruptions of both Ukrainian and Russian agriculture this year.

However, Democrats in Congress have sought to tie this package of aid to Ukraine to another round of

funding for the federal government's COVID-19 response, including funds to continue government purchases of vaccines, tests, and therapeutics. While many Republicans agree that more funding is needed to continue support for key COVID-19 programs, they disagree as to the size, scope, and method of funding which Democrats have proposed for this round of funding.

Yet more, some Republicans have declared their intention to tie any vote on new funding for COVID-19 to a vote on a provision known as Title 42. Title 42 gives authority to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) to limit immigration in response to a public health emergency, and the CDC has used this authority to limit immigration from Mexico under both the Trump and Biden administrations. However, with the pandemic abating the CDC is poised to end Title 42 immigration limits sometime in the near future. In response, Congressional Republicans are pushing for a vote to extend Title 42 immigration limits which would be a difficult vote for many Democratic incumbents who face reelection this fall.

So, with Ukraine, COVID-19, and Title 42 all tied together nothing is currently moving on any of those fronts for the time being while Democrats and Republicans both seek ways to get exactly what they want from the deal. Congress is likely to spend significant time in the coming weeks trying to unravel this mess of urgent legislation, leaving little time for many other issues.

**AGRICULTURE AND FOOD**

**Cattle Markets in the Spotlight**

The cattle industry and Congress are both looking for price discovery and market transparency in the beef supply chain. The price spread between the producer and the consumer has been unusually wide recently. Four Senators, Fischer (R-NB), Grassley (R-IA), Tester (D-MT), and Wyden (D-OR), first introduced their bipartisan Cattle Price Discovery and Transparency Act last November and revised it in March. Delegates to the National Grange convention last fall voted to support the legislation. The Act would:

Require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish 5-7 regions of the country and set minimum levels of fed cattle purchases in each region by which multiple buyers and sellers regularly can make and accept bids. Approved pricing mechanisms are negotiated cash, negotiated grid, and stockyard sales. Establish a penalty for packers who violate the

Act. Create a publicly available library of marketing contracts, mandate box beef reporting, expedite reporting of carcass weights, and require packers to report the number of cattle scheduled for delivery each day for the next 14 days.

The Senate Agriculture Committee held hearings on the bill in April that generated considerable support on Capitol Hill and among cattle producers. At a House Agriculture Committee hearing, CEOs of the nation's largest beef processors attributed the price disparities between processors and producers to market factors like inflation and swings in cattle inventory.

**Incentive to Increase Food Production**

President Biden is proposing to spend \$500 million to encourage farmers to increase production to address global food shortages. The plan is part of a supplemental spending package the White House sent to Congress in late April. Funding would temporarily allow higher loan rates for wheat, soybeans, sunflowers, canola and rice to encourage greater supply for emergency food aid and humanitarian assistance. This provision may or may not be included in the final supplemental package because of other funding demands.

**Shipping Backlogs and Rail Rates Squeeze Food Supply Chain**

A coalition of agriculture and food organizations, including the National Grange, has appealed to the Surface Transportation Board to take steps to lower rail rates and ease shipping backlogs. The board agreed to accept public comment on the inefficient use of private railcars and held a hearing in late April on snarled rail traffic. The coalition is also urging the board to finalize rules to allow shippers who are served by a single railroad to request bids from a nearby competing railroad. There have been industry reports of flour and feed mills shutting down for periods of time because they ran out of grain.

**Support USDA Funding**

The National Grange and thirty other agriculture, rural and mental health organizations are requesting the Senate and House appropriations committees to provide full funding for the Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network housed at USDA for FY'23. The group referenced a recent Morning Consult survey that found 61% of farmers and farm workers and 52% of rural adults experienced more stress in 2021 compared to the prior

year. In additional appropriations actions, the National Grange and 50 other agriculture, food and research organizations expressed strong support to fully fund USDA's Agriculture Research Service for FY'23.

**CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT**

**Farmers and Ranchers Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions**

Agriculture's greenhouse gas emissions fell more than 4% from 2019 to 2020 according to EPA. The EPA report emphasizes how voluntary, market-oriented and incentive-based conservation practices produce results. The largest emissions source is the transportation sector representing 27.2% of total emissions. Next largest is electricity generation with 25% of total emissions. Following as third largest is the industrial sector with 23% of total emissions. Agriculture represents 9.9% of all U.S. greenhouse gas emissions.

**Farmers and Ranchers Challenge the SEC**

The Securities and Exchange Commission has proposed a major rule change and provided only 39 days for public comment. The National Grange and the agricultural sector have petitioned the SEC for a 180- day extension from May 20 until November 16 to draft a meaningful response. The proposed SEC rule would:

Require companies registered with the SEC to provide certain climate related information including potentially invasive and burdensome information about farms and ranches. Farmers and ranchers are not 'registrants' or otherwise subject to SEC jurisdiction. The proposed rule changes this. The required reporting of greenhouse gas emissions creates new sources

of substantial costs, technical challenges, and the risk of crippling legal liabilities.

**HEALTH CARE**

**House Bill Caps Insulin Cost**

The House has passed legislation to cap the cost of insulin at \$35 a month for more than seven million diabetes patients. However, the bill does not lower the overall cost of insulin or solve the problem of skyrocketing drug prices. These costs would shift to insurers and employers.

**Cancer Test Held Hostage by Merger**

A cutting-edge multi-cancer early detection test cannot be widely available at a reasonable cost until the Federal Trade Commission allows a company merger to move forward. GRAIL has developed a test that can detect over fifty cancers with a simple blood draw, but the out-of-pocket cost is around \$1,000. Illumina has the infrastructure, scientists, institutional knowledge and funds to facilitate widespread access to the test. The National Grange and a large group of patient groups are asking the Federal Trade Commission to allow the merger to proceed so this test can be widely available at an affordable cost as soon as possible.

**More on Drug Pricing**

The Federal Trade Commission is seeking public comment on how pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) impact patients. The National Grange joined numerous patient groups to respond with a detailed discussion on how PBMs impact the health and well-being of patients with private insurance plans. It appears PBMs have evolved into one of the largest drivers of drug costs and access restrictions between the manufacturer and the patient at the drug counter.





## North Bellingham Grange Honors Longtime Members



front row sitting L to R: Carol Wilson, Betty Erickson; rear row standing L to R: Stephen Erickson, Marlin Erickson and Frank Medearis.

North Bellingham Grange #201 recently honored long-time members as part of their May meeting. Those recognized include: 25 years, Eleanor Waschke; 50 years, Joan Defries and Stephen Erickson; 55 years, Carol Flackus, Lois Hindmann, Donna MacDonald, and Frank Medearis; 60 years, Carol Wilson; 70 years, Betty Erickson, Marlin Erickson and Jean Johnson. This is the first time we have presented awards in a while, as some of the members reached these milestones in the past few years, and three honorees have their anniversary date this coming December. We'd much rather gather on a spring afternoon than deal with potential bad weather in December, so everyone was honored in May!

## South Union Grange Honors 60-Year Member



South Union Grange Master Patty Mathews presented a 60-year membership seal to Vicie Clark at the Grange's May 16 meeting.

## St. Andrews Grange Celebrates Grange Month With Display



St. Andrews Grange celebrated Grange month with a display at the Brew in Coulee City. We advertised and encouraged people to stop in and enjoy a great coffee and something yummy to eat while looking through photo albums of the many activities and progresses the Grange has accomplished over the years and see that we are still going strong in our community!

## Pie & Native American Celebration of Life At Goldendale Grange



Goldendale Grange officers Luann Whitmire and Kay Kayser Thompson were recently asked if we could provide 40 Huckleberry Pies for a Native American Celebration of Life. We have provided pies for past Tribal events and considered this request a real honor. Several gallons of Mt Adams Huckleberries were provided for this project by the George Family, local tribal members. The finished pies were delivered to the Rock Creek LongHouse before the event. The George family have graciously shared Native American culture and traditions at many past events. The same evening the pies were baked we held a regular meeting of the Grange. Many of us had a hard time concentrating on the meeting as the aroma of freshly baked pie floated through the room and we knew we couldn't touch them.

## Calispel Grange Celebrates Cinco de Mayo With Luncheon And More



Calispel Grange #500 members gathered to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. The Mexican themed luncheon was enjoyed by all. A 3-day sewing retreat was planned to encourage new membership. Games with prizes were a big success.

## Barberton Grange Donates 25lbs Of Aprons To Stonebridge Memory Care



The Barberton Grange ladies have been quite busy lately. They have made and donated 25lbs of aprons to Arbor Ridge Assisted living and 65 to Stonebridge Memory Care. Thank you ladies for your time and materials that it took to make these. They are beautiful and much appreciated.