

GRANGE MATTERS

November - December 2018

A Bi-Monthly Newsletter from Pomona of
Whatcom County

Pomona Haynie Laurel Lummi Is.

N. Bellingham Rome Ten Mile

Whatcom Pomona will meet on Tuesday Nov. 20 at Haynie Grange. In lieu of our usual potluck at 6pm, we are having a Soup Contest. Cook up a batch of your favorite, or experiment with something new. If you're not a soup maker, we'll also need bread and desserts. Regular Pomona meeting to follow at 7pm.



Pomona elections will be held at the bi-monthly meeting. For anyone new to the Grange, Pomona consists of representative of all six Whatcom County Granges. It is how we keep in contact with each other, and work together on projects. Pomona meets five times/year, the third Tuesday of Feb, April, June, Sept. and Nov. While only one Executive Board member position is on the ballot, Dorothy Hanson has informed us that she needs to resign as the Chair of Family Living. There is one year left on her current term. The main duties involve coordinating the April Arts & Crafts show (with the help of the Pomona Lecturer), traditionally held at Rome Grange, on the third Tuesday of April (with set-up and judging on the Monday prior). Please plan to attend the Pomona meeting if you are able to fulfill this position; or advise Master Scott Hackett (360-305-4556) if you are interested, but unable to attend in November.

Looking ahead, Whatcom County Granges will gather for their **Annual Planning Meeting**, the second Saturday of January (1/12/19) at the Rusty Wagon restaurant on Hannegan, at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast is available, order off the menu. Bring your calendars to look ahead to our 2019 events. Masters, Lecturers, and Family Living Chairs from each of the six Granges are especially encouraged to attend. All members welcome.

Thursday November 8th Ten Mile is recognizing 5 members with Membership awards at our regular meeting at 7:30 PM. Judith McCormick will be receiving her 50 year pin and Golden Sheaf Award; Jack Little, Lola Osgood, and Louis Millay will receive their 55 year seals; and Robert Rowe will receive his 70 year seal AND his 75 year Diamond pin and Diamond Certificate! Congratulations to each of you on these milestones! We will have cake and coffee before the meeting and we hope everyone can attend!

The 2018 **Wiser Lake Craft Bazaar** will be held at the Ten Mile Grange on Friday, Nov. 16th from 8 AM to 6 PM, and on Saturday, Nov. 17th from 9 AM to 4 PM. Free Admission and Coffee! Please bring canned goods for donation to Project Hope.

Grange Meetings:

Lummi Island 1st Wednesday

N. Bellingham 1st Saturday (new Winter plan)

Rome 2nd Wednesday

Ten Mile 2nd Thursday

Laurel 2nd Saturday (Winter at 1pm)

Haynie 2nd and 4th Fridays

North Bellingham Grange will begin a Winter Meeting schedule, starting in December. We will meet on the 1st Saturday at 1pm. We will return to our evening meetings (1st Thursday at 7pm) in April.

Below is a photo of one of two belt buckles purchased through the generosity of Whatcom County Granges, plus individual Grange members, to support the winners of the FFA and 4H Round Robin competition earlier this year. The 4H buckle was won by Cole Buys, the FFA was won by McKenzie Yost.



Laurel Grange invites everyone to an **All Grange Christmas Dinner** Sat. December 8th at 6 pm. Laurel Grange will provide the beef, potatoes and gravy, everyone else bring side dishes and desserts. Santa will arrive at 7:30 and pass out gifts (bring wrapped gifts with your child's name on it for Santa to pass out).



MERRY CHRISTMAS *and*
HAPPY NEW YEAR