



WASHINGTON STATE

# Grange News

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## David Schaefer Presented 2022 Grange Leadership Award

Our award recipient was born the last of 3 children on a rural farm starting his love of Agriculture.

At the age of 14 he began his journey in the Grange following in his parents and brothers' footsteps. The

Grange he joined was built on land that his father and 4 other Grangers bought and donated to the Grange. An

old Schoolhouse was moved across the street to become the Grange Hall. A dining hall and kitchen were later added in the 60's.

In his freshman year of high school he contracted polio which left his right arm useless. Thanks to a relentless PE coach who challenged and pushed him at every turn, and a Dr. who prescribed hand milking the cows each day, he fought and won his battle with polio. His first test of "Hope and Persevere".

After high school years filled with sports, friends and much shenanigans (now you

know where his children get it) he graduated from high school in 1946. He went to work at a Weyerhaeuser camp near the Toutle River spending the week at camp and weekends at home.

December 1950 saw him drafted into the Army, traveling to Fort Lewis for basic training and shipped to Austria where he served with the 11th Battalion Artillery Division. In 1952 he returned to Fort Lewis and then home. He continued his commitment to the Army serving another 5 years in the Army Reserve.

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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.

- AUGUST 4-6** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Clallam County Junior Livestock Auction @ Sequim
- AUGUST 5-7** ..... Western Regional Grange Youth and Leaders Conference at Springfield, OR
- AUGUST 5-14** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Clark County Fair @ Ridgefield (Grange livestock on display Aug 10-14)
- AUGUST 10-13** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Grays Harbor County Fair @ Elma
- AUGUST 16-20** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Grant County Fair @ Moses Lake
- AUGUST 25-28** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – North Central Washington Fair @ Waterville
- AUGUST 25-28** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Northeast Washington Fair @ Colville
- AUGUST 28** ..... Picnic at the Central Washington Ag Museum in Union Gap, 1:30 p.m. Hosted by the Yakima Valley Pomona Grange.
- AUGUST 31-SEPT 4** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days @ Walla Walla
- SEPTEMBER 1-5** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Kittitas County Fair @ Ellensburg
- SEPTEMBER 2-4** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Ferry County Fair @ Republic
- SEPTEMBER 8-11** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Chelan County Fair @ Cashmere
- SEPTEMBER 14-17** ..... Grange Youth Fairs Program – Othello Fair
- SEPTEMBER 28** ..... Q & A With the State Grange President, 7 pm – Zoom meeting
- OCTOBER 26** ..... Q & A With the State Grange President, 7 pm – Zoom Meeting
- NOVEMBER 15-18** ..... National Grange Session at Reno/Sparks, Nevada
- NOVEMBER 30** ..... Q & A With the State Grange President, 7 pm – Zoom meeting; Topic – An Update from the Happenings of the National Grange Session

# Sequim Prairie Grange Holds “Ice Cream for Kash” Fundraiser

Cloudy, with a chance of rain and highs in the 60’s. Not exactly the best day for ice cream, unless you are a Sequim Prairie Granger, gearing up to serve your community!

On June 12, 2022, many volunteers and hundreds of community members turned out for our first ice cream social/fundraiser of the summer. Uniting us together in this effort was 5-month-old, Kash Elliott. Kash is the grandson of Sequim Prairie members, Carla and Vern Madison. Kash was admitted to the hospital on May 2, 2022 and continues to fight for his life. Supporting each other, in difficult times, is what being a grange member is all about. So, we peeled some bananas, grabbed our scoops and went to work, to help Kash and his family.

One woman from Sedro Woolley, heard about “his” story and wanted to participate. She was on a fixed income and had just received her social security check. In her heart, she felt it was more important to donate \$150.00, than to have extra groceries in her pantry. When



Carla, Vern and Kash

asked why she wanted to give in such a big way, she responded, “I have learned to do without things, in order to help others.” As emotion filled her voice, she said, “He is not my grandson, but he is someone’s grandson and someone’s child. This just

breaks my heart.” Over two hundred banana splits and ice cream sundaes were served, while thousands of dollars were raised. “Our community stepped up, in a big way,” said grange member, Heather Cerutti. “This truly was a heart-felt event.”



And, just when we thought the event was over, a five-year-old boy arrived, with his mother. He told us that he and his sister had been saving their money and wanted to help. As he placed his money in the container, he said, “This is for the baby.” His mother then donated another thousand dollars. This definitely was the “cherry on top,” of a wonderful day!

A common thread, a positive impact, unconditional generosity and strengthening empathy in our community. All in a “days scoop,” at the Sequim Prairie Grange!

**Are you a Grange in Action?**

Apply to be recognized as a Grange in Action for being active in your community and completing events or projects

Simple application of one letter-sized page with pictures and captions of at least 3, but no more than 6 events or activities for your Grange.

<https://www.nationalgrange.org/grange-in-action/>

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## President's Message

# Reflecting On A Successful State Grange Convention

**By Tom Gwin**  
**State Grange**  
**Master/President**

The 133rd Annual Session of the Washington State Grange is now history!

We experienced another outstanding convention, filled with both work and excitement. We debated 31 resolutions and the recommendations of nine Standing Committees. Brother Duane Hamp was reelected and installed as a member of the State Grange Executive Committee. Contests were held and awards presented. There certainly was something for everyone to enjoy at this year's convention.

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

- The Convention Steering Committee, chaired by Carolyn Hojem with Scott Hackett as the vice chair, Jean Swift as the secretary, and Karen Jackson as the treasurer, and all of the other host committees....you did a good job of meeting the needs of the delegates. It was good to see representatives from several counties involved in the host duties.

- The staff of the Washington State Fair and Event Center in Puyallup were wonderful to work with. Their excellent facilities and

professional staff are to be commended!

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

- To the National Grange Representatives, Kay and Allen Stiles, thank you for your words of wisdom and guidance to the delegates. We know you had a

*There certainly was something for everyone to enjoy at this year's convention.*

-- Tom Gwin

long flight home and hope you will remember your time spent with us.

- To the delegates and committee chairs, congratulations on discussing each aspect of every resolution and recommendation. The in-depth discussion on each subject was astounding! All committees completed their work by the end of the first day.

- To the office staff, each of whom brings their own special



Tom Gwin

talent and skill level to their job, your long hours and dedication to your jobs is truly remarkable.

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

Now that convention is over, we quickly turned our focus to the Grange Youth Fairs Program. Beginning August 4, we have ten fairs across the state that are allowing our Grange Youth and Juniors to showcase their projects, including livestock animals. Other fairs will have intricate Grange designs and still others will have Grange operated food concessions. Whatever role your Grange plays in the fair, I encourage you to do it well and to the best of your ability.

You may want to make plans now to attend the **134th Annual State Grange Session. We will be meeting at the Grant County Fairgrounds in Moses Lake on June 21-24, 2023.** The Grangers of the Central Washington are already making plans for our visit to their area.

## National Grange

# 156th Annual National Grange Convention Registration Open

The Western Host region is excited to invite Grangers and friends from across the country to the Silver State! We are just over 5 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! Visit the National Grange website to learn more about what's coming up at this year's convention.

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.

**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.

**Registration Link:**

[www.nationalgrange.org/156th-annual-national-grange-convention/](http://www.nationalgrange.org/156th-annual-national-grange-convention/)

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## AN UPDATE ON CURRENT STATE GRANGE ACTIVITIES AND QUESTIONS/ANSWERS WITH THE STATE GRANGE PRESIDENT

### ZOOM MEETING

**Last Wednesday of Each Month at 7 p.m.**

**September 28** – Recap of Summer Grange Activities

**October 26** – Topic to be Announced

**November 30** – An Update from the National Grange Session

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/98036971581>

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# Membership Corner

## Welcome New Members

### GRANGES WITH MEMBERSHIP GAINS June/July 2022

	# Joined	Jr. +1
603 <b>Addy</b> ..... 1	1	
Phoebe Belback		
571 <b>Barberton</b> ..... 2	2	2
Matthew Zarzana, Angela Zarzana		
34 <b>Baw Faw</b> ..... 2	2	
Ben Stormer, Kelli Stormer		
385 <b>Bee Hive</b> ..... 2	2	
DeAnn Hultgren, Karen Sherwood		
842 <b>Camas Valley</b> ..... 5	5	4
Logan Wise, Nolan Wise, Brook House, Jonah House, Angela McCollough		
199 <b>Catlin</b> ..... 2	2	
Bernard Ogden, Florence Ogden		
306 <b>Cedar Valley</b> ..... 1	1	
Leo Urquhart		
681 <b>Chimacum</b> ..... 6	6	
Joanne Pontrello, Weston Pratt, Christina Tinling, Daniel Cochran Marcia Kelbon, Doyle Yancey		
501 <b>Davis Lake</b> ..... 5	5	1
Selena Smotherman, Michael Stultz, Madaline Stultz, Charlie Feely, Emily Feely		
846 <b>Deer Lagoon</b> ..... 9	9	
Laurel Ekorenrud, Susan Vanderwood, Michael Oyola Michael Gallion, Zane Ware, Matthew Tarantino, Maximus Tarantino Micah Tarantino, Vickie Kollmar		
646 <b>Dry Creek</b> ..... 8	8	2
Jason Baar, Ashley Baar, Andrew Baar, James Baar, Tami Baeder Angel Martinez, Max Baeder, Julia Baeder		
1012 <b>East Wenatchee</b> ..... 1	1	
Hailey Anderson		
26 <b>Elma</b> ..... 0	0	3
853 <b>Fargher Lake</b> ..... 20	20	6
Jason Griffith, Mira Griffith, Ruthie Shirley, Bryce Shirley, Grace Shirley Hunter Shirley, Jeff Miltenberger, Georgia Goff, Thelma Conder Calista Conder, Kara Coss, Aquoia Coss, Montanna Coss, Cheyenne Coss Rebecca Meats, Meredith Meats, Larry Goble, Sean Filzen, Kayla Filzen Elizabeth Ford		
866 <b>Fern Prairie</b> ..... 5	5	1
David Knight, Kirby VanGelder, Kaleb VanGelder Keith VanGelder, Jessica VanGelder		
905 <b>Five Mile Prairie</b> ..... 0	0	2
999 <b>Fruitland</b> ..... 3	3	
Joy Longhurst, Penny Gibbons, Catarina Hursh		
49 <b>Goldendale</b> ..... 2	2	
Michelle Watson, Sheerye Morrison		
360 <b>Green Bluff</b> ..... 1	1	
Suzanne Cozza		
1120 <b>Kettle River</b> ..... 35	35	6
Judy Morgan, Angela Thompson, Julie Gibbons, Paula Thompson Trevor Thompson, Amber Anderson, Kenneth Anderson Ellie Anderson, Gentry Anderson, Bethann Anderson Wyatt Humphrey, Kim Deardorff, Heather March, Tara Branson Deena Oliver, Virginia Romero, Juan Romero, Davin Romero Ella Romero, Amber Moody, Pennie Lindsey, Brandon Thompson Ash Comer, Hillary Comer, Brenton Comer, Craig Eaton Tara Eaton, Kasandra Crow, Donavyn Stahl, Michael Simmons Amy Simmons, Richard Poitras-Simmons, Sara Darnielle Mackenzie Darnielle, Trent Darnielle		
407 <b>Lincoln Creek</b> ..... 1	1	
Linda Penfield Frost		
925 <b>Lummi Island</b> ..... 2	2	
Richard Lowe, Julia Lowe		
276 <b>Marion</b> ..... 5	5	
Sean Davis, Samantha Warner, Angela Warner, Ty Gaub, Monica Gaub		
848 <b>McMillin</b> ..... 1	1	
Clare McCahill		
355 <b>Mossyrock</b> ..... 4	4	
Anthony Compton, Keyalei Compton, Ed Myers, Elaine Myers		
79 <b>Mountain Valley</b> ..... 1	1	
Elizabeth Goble		
98 <b>Mountain View</b> ..... 1	1	
Ruth Shafer		
964 <b>Orcas Island</b> ..... 1	1	
Buddy Gibson		
315 <b>Prosperity</b> ..... 1	1	
Lea Petock		
832 <b>Saint Andrews</b> ..... 15	15	30
Emily Dingman, Chance Landon, Andreas Landon, Kristina Marsolf Ty Jess, Jamie Jess, Clint Peters, Megan Peters, Troy Clinton Veronica Clinton, Ron Brokaw, Jesse Bolyard, Amber Bolyard Hailey Bolyard, Krissy Brenneyer		
966 <b>San Juan Island</b> ..... 26	26	
Irene Voskamp, Harold Arsem, Nirmela Arsem, Kit Case, Benjamin Squire Robbin Turner, Tara MacMahon, Tricia Klefer, Scott Reynolds, Justin Haight Jessica Cole, Mosa Baczewska, Dan O'Bryant, Rick Bronk, Lori Ann David Roxy Wolosenko, Mike Coryell, Oswyn Eshelman, Janet Wright, Kara Bezanson, Suzy Diesen, Bev Bishop, Zoe Friend, Juelianna Freeauf, Andrew Derksma, Kyle Miller		
684 <b>San Poil</b> ..... 1	1	
Jeffrey Flagg		
1108 <b>Sequim Prairie</b> ..... 1	1	
Tara Martin		
930 <b>South Camano</b> ..... 2	2	
Brian Miller, Jon Holzwarth		
984 <b>Swauk Teanaway</b> ..... 1	1	
Bev Kluth		
1019 <b>Tunk Valley</b> ..... 5	5	
Sandy Jones, Vicki Ledger, Teresa Montoya, Gren Sangster, Bobette Stover		
482 <b>Twisp Valley</b> ..... 3	3	
Susan Ernsdorff, Joshua Porter, David Asia		
610 <b>Tyler</b> ..... 1	1	
David Abraham		
<b>TOTALS</b> ..... 182	182	37

## Membership: It's Fair Season!

It is once again fair time and boy does it feel good to see so many fairs back this year after the last 2 years of closures! How can we use the fair season to jumpstart our Grange membership?

Pomona Granges have a wonderful opportunity to help their Subordinate Granges with this task. Many Pomona's put in a fair booth table with membership materials etc. but how are we enticing fairgoers to join a local Grange? Does your display invite others to join the Grange? Are you "tooting your own horn"? If you were not a member of the Grange, would you want to join a Grange after visiting a membership booth? These are just a few of the questions you should think about before putting your booth together. Here are a few other ideas:

Think about creating a smaller version of the State Granges' "Granges in Action" poster boards. On an 8 1/2 x 11 paper, put the Grange name and number at the top and add 3-4 photos with a caption for each photo, include a photo depicting each event the Grange held in the past year. This can include anything from Easter egg hunts to Santa breakfasts or a Candidates forum or maybe a rummage sale, or even a farmers' market. Anything that shows the audience that the Grange has an impact in their community. Adhere each of these to a poster board with bright color paper behind it. Be sure to give it a title as well. If the poster board has space, type each Grange Name, Number, and location on a separate piece of paper and adhere it on as well. You might also make a half sheet handout that would have the Grange names, numbers, addresses and a

contact person. Have those readily available for those interested in joining a Grange. And always be sure to have lots of membership applications on hand!

What else should go on your membership table? Our Grange News is always a fun thing to have for those that want to take one. Be sure to have a least one copy of both our Legislative Handbook as well as our Program Handbook so they can see all that the Grange has to offer. Another great item to add to your booth is the new and improved "Declaration of Purposes" brochure. This brochure beautifully depicts our organization in a well thought out manner and makes it an easy way to answer that common question, "What is the Grange?"

If you have Grangers available to man the booth, be sure to have your "Grange Gear" on. We make a great impact when we have the same shirts on and proudly wear the Grange emblem. We still have lots of membership t-shirts that can be ordered for just \$8 each (2xl -3xl are \$10 & \$12). They are also a great way to start a conversation with a non-member as the State Grange Mission Statement is on the front. Banners are also available to order for your booth or even to hang in your hall. See the order form in this issue.

Let's not let this great opportunity pass us. The Grange is a wonderful organization, and we need to spread the word. I hope you all enjoy your local fair!

### \*\*\*\*\* Secretaries \*\*\*\*\*

Please remember to use your "New Member Report" form immediately after obligating your new members. We want to know about your new members immediately as we want to be sure they receive their welcome letter and their membership card. We also want them to receive their Grange News right away and if you wait to report them, they also wait to become a new member. Thank you for your assistance with this.

### Membership Packet Order Form

Grange Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grange Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 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.

## 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.**

- Al Latham - Chimacum #681
- Diane Johnson - Chimacum #681
- Robin Flem - Deer Lagoon #846
- Heidi Zimmerman - Fargher Lake #853
- Jennifer Kennedy - Fargher Lake #853
- Priscilla Davis - Green Bluff #300
- Ashley Pratt - Kettle River #1120
- Owen Jorgensen - St. Andrews #832

**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.**

- Debbie Harbin - Addy #603 - 1 gift card
- Cindy Kelly - Dry Creek #646 - 1 gift card
- Jennifer Kennedy - Fargher Lake #853  
1 gift card
- Doug England - Manson #796 - 1 gift card
- Ashley Pratt - Kettle River #1120 - 3 gift cards
- Owen Jorgensen - St. Andrews #832  
1 gift card

This Contest runs from January 1, 2022 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!

## Riverside Valley Grange Honors 25-Year Member



Riverside Valley Grange presented Janet Schmidt with her 25 year Silver Star Certificate at our June 15, 2022 meeting.

## Rose Knott Recognized For King County Fair Work



Rose Knott, pictured with her husband Mel and Regan Dunn.

The Grange was founded in 1867 to advance methods of agriculture, as well as to promote the social and economic needs of farmers in the United States.

In 1889, two months before Washington's statehood, a group of progressive men and women met in LaCamas, WA and created the Washington State Grange. Their goal was to have input into the creation of the Washington State Constitution. Grange is a fraternal, grassroots, nonprofit organization rooted in agriculture and committed to providing the people of rural Washington a strong and respected voice among our elected officials.

On the state and national levels, the Grange is continuing its long tradition of advocating for all Americans, especially those under-represented residents of our farms, small towns and rural communities. The Grange gives a voice for the these residents to express their needs and concerns. The Grange's philosophy has always been what is good for America's farms and rural residents is good for the entire nation.

Grangers have been a driving force behind improving transportation, waterways, deaf and hard of hearing programs, volunteer fire departments, relief funds worldwide, community service programs, all in addition to helping improve the condition for farms through improving bargaining positions and strengthening property rights.

Grangers on a local level have assisted their communities in numerous ways, from creating urban farming initiatives to building bridges. It is a multi-denominational organization that focuses on a commitment to the land and to each other.

Grange members devote countless hours in service to their communities, reaching out to make sure the veterans, the elderly, the young, and those in need are given the attention they deserve.

Rosie Knott is one of those members. Rosie and Mel, her husband of 64 years, have been members of the East Hill Grange since 1962. In her early years she had become lady assistant steward, later presenting agriculture and then was given the secretary position for 25 years. In 1965 she became the Junior Grange leader and still holds this position today. Some of her many accomplishments are providing dictionaries to 3rd graders, making quilts for the homeless, collecting donations for the food bank, and giving toothbrushes and toothpaste to the soldiers, and so much more. Rosie has won several awards, but she is most proud of, the Junior Grange of The Nation Award that she won both in 1975 and in 1985. She helped put the first Grange display together at the King County Fair in 1965 when it was held at Pete's Pool. She has been the King County Fair superintendent for the Grange from 1980 until today. Rosie, we are honoring you today for all you have done and continue to do for our community.

## Grange Campers Assc.

## Grange Campers Assc. Hold Fun Rally

2022 Washington State Grange Campers Association Fun Rally was held June 3rd, 4th, & 5th at Ed & Marilyn Armit's property in Mossyrock. The host was Just for the Halibut #30. Four camping groups were represented: Pioneers #1, SpoKampers #19, Fort Vancouver #21 and Just for the Halibut #30. There were 8 delegates and 19 guests.

There was a chili feed on Friday evening. The meeting was held at 10:00 am Saturday morning. Roll Call of State Officers: Secretary Terry Abbott, Treasurer Annie Scott and husband Lonnie, and Lewis County Deputy Bob Knapp and wife Patty. Past Camper Association Presidents were introduced: Gordan Korsgaard, Ginger Korsgaard, and Verne Figg. 2022 Officers elected were President Verne Figg, Vice President Tony Merwin, Secretary Marilyn Armit, Treasurer Cheryl Britton, and Historian Georgene Neal. Judy Steigmann volunteered to be Assistant Historian and Terry Abbott was appointed as Chaplain. Ed Armit now holds the Past President position.



Officers Historian Georgene Neal, President Verne Figg, Vice President Tony Merwin, Treasurer Cheryl Britton, Asst. Historian Judy Steigmann, Past President Ed Armit, Secretary Marilyn Armit (not pictured).

Verne and Ed just switched places!

A memorial service was held by Terry Abbot, assisted by Cheryl Britton and Marilyn Armit. Roses were placed in a vase for 14 members as Terry read off their names. Pioneers #1: Shirley Rice, June Hendrickson, Jack Hendrickson, Diane Wheat; Cedars Campers #5: Wilma Baker; Roving Grangers #6: Shirley Ward; Lazy Crazy Eights #8: Judy Moore, John Moore, Kelly McNutt; SpoKampers #19: Faye Krenkel, Pat Patterson, Joyce Diamond; Fort Vancouver #21: Darrell Johnson; Panaroamers #23: Virgil Taylor.

Door prizes were won by Shawn Merwin, Mary Jane Fox, Mike Britton, Forrest Diehl, Janice Anderson, Georgene Neal, and Ginger Korsgaard. Buster the Bear was introduced, and he

was won by Janice Anderson.

A potluck lunch was served Saturday afternoon. Washington State Grange President, Tom Gwin, joined the campers for lunch. The afternoon and evening were spent visiting and playing games. Dave Johnson, Judy Steigmann, Terry Abbott, Janice Anderson, and Georgene Neal decided it was time to play Phase 10—Dave's favorite game!

A breakfast of pancakes, sausage, and fruit was provided by Just for the Halibut on Sunday morning. Terry Abbot held a church service after breakfast.

It was a fun weekend, good to see everyone. The weather, however, was not very cooperative! It rained most of the weekend. Friday evening was good for a while and Saturday morning was clear so the meeting could be held. Otherwise, it was a downpour!! But as good campers and grangers do, they persevered!

The 2023 Fun Rally and business meeting will be at the Britton home in Spokane, WA, hosted by the SpoKampers #23.



Janice Anderson, Fort Vancouver #21 won the drawing for Buster the Bear.

## Issaquah Valley Grange Collection For Wellspring Family Services

Issaquah Valley Grange celebrated Grange Spirit Week by collecting diapers, personal items and like-new clothes for Wellspring Family Services. Twenty bags and cases of useful items were donated to the non-profit which works to keep families in safe housing.



## Lecturer's Department

# A HUGE Thanks!



Leslie Jo Wells

**By Leslie Jo Wells**  
**State Grange Lecturer**

Yes, huge thanks to the following for making the Lecturer Department come together at Convention.

To the Host Committee members that had the room all set up when I arrived on Tuesday morning.

To Karri, Jarrod and Annette who helped put entries in place

for judging.

To the judges – Bob Yearwood and Gary McCutcheon for Photography and for the Arts and Crafts side of things Steve Dalton, Marvin Oliver, Ron Jackson, Sherry Cummins and Jean Swift and her daughter.

I would also like to thank the judges for the Talent Contest: Chris Hamp – Five Mile Prairie #905, Lew Gaskill – Ten Mile #399 and Melanie Hackett –

Haynie #169.

My thanks also to Carolyn Hojem, Steering Committee Chair for lining up the three entertainment programs for us.

I would be remiss if I didn't say thanks to my committee members who are instrumental in making sure things get done... Sherry Cummins, Helen Gardner and Janice Anderson.



Shavanna May

## 2022 Talent Contest Results

**Don Nilsson** (Kellogg Marsh #136)  
\$50 Participation Variety

**Matt Hodges** (Barberton #571)  
\$50 Participation Vocal

**Annie Scott** (Pleasant Hill #101)  
\$50 Participation Vocal

**Jessica VanGelder** (Fern Prairie #866)  
\$50 Participation Variety

\$50 1st Place Variety  
\$200 2nd Best of Show

**Shavanna May** (Fords Prairie #33)  
\$50 Participation Vocal  
\$50 1st Place Vocal  
\$500 Best of Show



Jessica VanGelder



## Creative Writing Contest Results

The results of the Creative Writing Contest are as follows:

### A1 – Poetry, Metered; Topic: Parent(s)

1st Place:	Lorell Fisher	Stranger Creek #374
2nd Place:	Robert Sholes	North River #946
3rd Place:	Barbara Hagedorn	Fargher Lake #853

### A2 – Poetry, Free Verse; Topic: Parent(s)

1st Place:	Ann Dotson	Green Bluff #300
2nd Place:	Jarrod Gardner	McMillin #848
3rd Place:	Herb Batterson	Green Bluff #300

### A3 – Short Story; Topic: My Favorite Outdoor Activity

1st Place:	Claudine Wade	Columbia #87
2nd Place:	Rodger Lance	Washington #82
3rd Place:	Mary Lee Rozelle	Camden #687

### A4 – Essay; Topic: Why the Grange Is Important Today

1st Place:	Jarrod Gardner	McMillin #848
2nd Place:	Ann Dotson	Green Bluff #300
3rd Place:	Claudine Wade	Columbia #87

### Best Of Show: \$50

Jarrod Gardner – Essay      McMillin #848

### 2nd Best of Show: \$25

Claudine Wade – Short Story      Columbia #87

Entries were also received from: Jacklyn Lester – Adna #417, Ann Fackenthall (2)– Gardenspot #278 and Jarrod Gardner (1) – McMillin #848. Thanks to everyone who took the time and effort to participate.



Grange Declaration of Purposes

IT SHALL BE AN ABIDING PRINCIPLE WITH US TO RELIEVE ANY OF OUR OPPRESSED AND SUFFERING MEMBERS BY ANY REASONABLE MEANS AT OUR COMMAND.

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## 2022 Lecturer Contest Results

### PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

#### GROUP I – ADULT

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Carolyn Hojem	Fruitland #999
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Pam Mathews	South Union #860

#### Best of Class Winners:

A. Scenic Photos	Carolyn Hojem	Fruitland #999
B. Washington My Home	Carolyn Hojem	Fruitland #999
C. Animals	Elizabeth Bradley	Meridian #265
D. Birds	Carolyn Hojem	Fruitland #999
E. People	Tara Hammons	Deer Lagoon #846
F. Portraiture	Carolyn Hojem	Fruitland #999
G. Historical	Phil Hoffman	Skagit Valley #620
H. Agriculture and Farming	Carolyn Hojem	Fruitland #999
I. Celebration	Nikki Gwin	Humtulpils #739
J. Water	Tara Hammons	Deer Lagoon #846
K. Flora	Vickie Gilmour	Fargher Lake #853
L. Winter	Pam Mathews	South Union #860
M. Spring	Tom Gwin	Humtulpils #730
N. Summer	Tena Hedges	Catlin #199
O. Autumn/Fall	Tena Hedges	Catlin #199
P. Insects & Bugs	Haldis Sholes	North River #946
Q. Grange Activities	Tena Hedges	Catlin #199
R. Buildings or Structures	Tena Hedges	Catlin #199
S. Lines, Shapes, or Forms	Tom Gwin	Humtulpils #730
T. Transportation	Jeff Gaskill	Ten Mile #399
U. General Interest	Cathy Scherrer	Granville #857

#### GROUP II – YOUTH

<b>Best of Show \$25</b>	Rosa Salazar	Meridian #265
<b>2nd Best of Show \$15</b>	Marlin Mansfield	Stranger Creek #374

#### Best of Class Winners:

BA. Scenic Photos	Marlin Mansfield	Stranger Creek #374
BB. Animals	Rosa Salazar	Meridian #265
BE. General Interest	Joe Schuyleman	Bee Hive #385
BH. Flora	Joe Schuyleman	Bee Hive #385
BI. Buildings/Structures	Rosa Salazar	Meridian #265

#### GROUP III – JUNIORS

<b>Best of Show \$25</b>	Finn Harris	Skagit Valley #620
<b>2nd Best of Show \$15</b>	Parker Hammons	Deer Lagoon #846

#### Best of Class Winners:

CA. Scenic Photos	Parker Hammons	Deer Lagoon #846
CB. Animals	Roland West	Fargher Lake #853
CD. Birds	Finn Harris	Skagit Valley #620
CE. General Interest	Finn Harris	Skagit Valley #620
CG. Water	Parker Hammons	Deer Lagoon #846
CH. Flora	Finn Harris	Skagit Valley #620
CI. Buildings/Structures	Finn Harris	Skagit Valley #620

### ARTS and CRAFTS CONTEST

#### GROUP A – PAINTINGS and DRAWINGS

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Dave Manning	Valley #1048
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Barry Benbow	Bee Hive #385

#### Best of Class Winners:

A-1 Oils	Joan Kruse	Goldendale #49
A-2 Acrylics	Barry Benbow	Bee Hive #385
A-4 Mixed Media	Marquis Sides	Deer Lagoon #846
A-5 Drawings – Any Media	Dave Manning	Valley #1048
A-6 Other	Arthur Zimmerman	Fargher Lake #853

#### GROUP B – FIBER CRAFT/NEEDLE ART

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Kate Lyons Holestine	Green Bluff #300
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Pat Wells	Fruitland #999

#### Best of Class Winners:

B-2 Felting (unspun fibers)	Teresa Moore	Stranger Creek #374
B-3 Embroidery, Hand	Pat Wells	Fruitland #999
B-4 Embroidery, Machine	Sherry Crespo	Fruitland #999

### ARTS and CRAFTS CONTEST (cont.)

B-5 Knit, any item	Janet Schmidt	Waller Road #1111
B-6 Crochet, any item	Larissa Carlson	Addy #603
B-7 Counted Cross Stitch (Framed)	Melia Smith	East Wenatchee #1012
B-8 Counted Cross Stitch (Unframed)	Tom Gwin	Humtulpils #730
B-9 Plastic Canvas	Sherry Cummins	Greenwood Park #590
B-10 Other Fiber Craft	Kate Lyons Holestine	Green Bluff #300

#### GROUP C – HOLIDAY CRAFTS

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Teri McCulloch	Olympic View #774
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Jeanette Graeber-Helling	South Union #860

#### Best of Class Winners:

C-1 Christmas Ornaments (must be able to hang)	Lanette Pinard	Washington #82
C-2 Christmas Decorations	Teri McCulloch	Olympic View #774
C-5 Easter Decorations	Davona Gwin	Humtulpils #730
C-6 Valentine's Day Decorations	Mary Ann Weeks	Skagit Valley #620
C-7 Decorations for Seasons of the Year	Juanita Cornutt	Greenwood Park #590
C-8 Other Holiday or Celebration Décor	Sherry Cummins	Greenwood Park #590

#### GROUP D – WOOD CRAFTS

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Bob Sholes	North River #946
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Sandy Rogers	Fruitvale #348

#### Best of Class Winners:

D-1 Woodworking (with a finish)	Sandy Rogers	Fruitvale #348
D-2 Woodworking (without a finish)	Jim Moebius	Fruitland #999
D-3 Wood Carving	Bob Sholes	North River #946
D-4 Wood -scroll work	Martha Copeland	Violet Prairie #496
D-7 Any Woodworking Item (ages 14-19)	Drew Stewart	Humtulpils #730
D-8 Other Wooden Item	Robin Witt	Humtulpils #730

#### GROUP E – RECYCLED CRAFTS

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Don Nilsson	Kellogg Marsh #136
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Mandrey Hagey	Brewster #1018

#### Best of Class Winners:

E-1 Recycled Fabric/Fiber	Janet Schmidt	Waller Road #1111
E-3 Recycled Metal	Don Nilsson	Kellogg Marsh #136
E-4 Recycled Plastic	Mandrey Hegey	Brewster #1018
E-5 Recycled Paper	Karri Marsh	McMillin #848
E-6 Recycled from Any Other Item	Annette Herbert	Greenwood Park #590

#### GROUP F – CONSTRUCTIVE CRAFTS

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Steve Dalton	Garden City #280
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Debi Tusker	Williams Valley #452

#### Best of Class Winners:

F-2 Glass Craft (not stained glass)	Debi Tusker	Williams Valley #452
F-3 Metal Craft	Gabe Smith	East Wenatchee #1012
F-5 Sculpted Clay/Pottery	Steve Dalton	Garden City #280
F-6 Yard Art	Duane Hamp	Five Mile Prairie #905
F-7 Ceramics, Stains/ Acrylics	Debbie Riegel-Yates	Rexville #815
F-8 Ceramics, overglaze	Debbie Riegel-Yates	Rexville #815
F-9 Ceramics, other and/or combined techniques	Debbie Riegel-Yates	Rexville #815
F-10 Other Constructive Crafts	Robin Witt	Humtulpils #730

#### GROUP G – PAPER CRAFTS

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Karri Marsh	McMillin #848
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Leslie Wells	Tualco #284

### ARTS and CRAFTS CONTEST (cont.)

#### Best of Class Winners:

G-1 Handmade Card (holiday)	Debbie Smith	Humtulpils #730
G-2 Handmade Card (all occasion)	Haldis Sholes	North River #946
G-4 Memory/Scrapbooks (at least 5 pages)	Don Nilsson	Kellogg Marsh #136
G-5 Adult Coloring	Jean Constantine	Meridian #265
G-6 Other Paper Craft Items	Karri Marsh Leslie Wells	McMillin #848 Tualco #284

#### GROUP H – GENERAL CRAFTS

<b>Best of Show \$50</b>	Wayne Flaaten	Deer Lagoon #846
<b>2nd Best of Show \$25</b>	Debbie Fisch	Bee Hive #385

#### Best of Class Winners:

H-1 Beading	Jill Michels	Fredonia #545
H-2 Jewelry	Lanette Pinard	Washington #82
H-5 Toys (other than wood)	Janette Cejka	Washington #82
H-6 Nature Craft	Debbie Fisch	Bee Hive #385
H-7 Duct Tape Crafts	Tom Gwin	Humtulpils #730
H-8 Flower Arrangement /Corsage (dried or silk)	Susan Custance	Fredonia #545
H-10 Other General Craft	Wayne Flaaten	Deer Lagoon #846

#### GROUP I – ARTS & CRAFTS, Ages 10 - 13

<b>Best of Show \$25</b>	Jessica VanGelder	Fern Prairie #866
<b>Best of Show \$25</b>	Serenity Dean	Addy #603

#### Best of Class Winners:

J-1 Paintings	Finn Harris	Skagit Valley #620
J-2 Drawings	Jessica VanGelder	Fern Prairie #866
J-3 Crayons	Jacob Smith	Humtulpils Jr #376
J-4 Woodcrafts	Drew Stewart	Humtulpils Jr #376
J-5 Fabric/Fiber Craft	Aiyana Hann	Fern Prairie #866
J-6 Paper Craft	Jacob Smith	Humtulpils Jr #376
J-7 Decorations, holiday	Gideon Jones	Five Mile Prairie #905
J-8 Decorations, non-holiday	Jaelyn Johnson	Humtulpils Jr #736
J-9 Wearable Art	Jacob Smith	Humtulpils Jr #376
J-10 Any Item from a Kit	April Jones	Five Mile Prairie #905
J-11 Other Arts & Craft Items	Serenity Dean	Addy #603

#### GROUP K – ARTS & CRAFTS, Ages 5 - 9

<b>Best of Show \$25</b>	Amor Collier	Addy #603
<b>2nd Best of Show \$15</b>	Amor Collier	Addy #603

#### Best of Class Winners:

K-1 Paintings	Benjamin Swidecki	Violet Prairie #496
K-2 Drawings	Donna Kennedy	Fargher Lake #853
K-3 Crayons	Takel Lane	East Hill Jr #236
K-4 Woodcrafts	Amor Collier	Addy #603
K-5 Fabric/Fiber Craft	Patrick Richmond	East Wenatchee #1012
K-6 Paper Crafts	Sylvia Faber	Humtulpils Jr #376
K-7 Decorations, holiday	Donna Kennedy	Fargher Lake #853
K-8 Decorations, non-holiday	Kemper VanGelder	Fern Prairie #866
K-10 Any Item from a Kit	Kendra Parker	East Hill Jr #236
K-11 Other Arts & Craft Items	Amor Collier	Addy #603



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## 2022 Summary Of Resolutions

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

RES. NO.	TITLE	SPONSORING GRANGE	ACTION THEREIN
2022-01-1201	Support I-1436	Whitman Co. Pomona #2	Rejected
2022-02-1202	Repeal the Washington Cares Program	Whitman Co. Pomona #2	Adopted
2022-03-1401	Support for RCW Title 85 Improvement Districts	South Union #860	Rejected
2022-04-1101	Junior Grange Secretary's Members Gained and Loss Report	Elk Plain #782	Adopted as Amended
2022-05-1402	Elections in Odd-Numbered Years	Issaquah Valley #581	Adopted as Amended
2022-06-0101	Partnering with Agriculture when Creating Riparian Zone Policy and Law	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	Adopted as Amended
2022-07-1301	Regarding Internet Access to all Rural Areas in the U.S.	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	Rejected
2022-08-1102	Proceeds from Insurance Settlements and Claims	Elk Plain #782	Adopted
2022-09-0901	Regarding Water Abundance, Health, and Security for Agriculture: The Farm, Forest, Fish Connection	Whatcom Co. Pomona #6	Rejected
2022-10-1103	Officer Titles	San Juan Island #966	Rejected
2022-11-1104	National Grange Voting Representation	Moses Lake #1151	Adopted
2022-12-1105	Family Membership in All Granges in Washington State	Humtulpus #730	Adopted
2022-13-1203	Medicare to Include Early-Stage Cander Screening	Humtulpus #730	Rejected
2022-14-1204	Essential Immunizations	Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona #28	Adopted
2022-15-1302	Ocean Shipping Reform	Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona #28	Rejected
2022-16-1106	Placement of the Grange Flag	Pierce County Pomona #16	Adopted
2022-17-1303	Eliminate Junk Mail Discount	Rome #226	Rejected
2022-18-1304	Landline Dependent Citizens at Risk	Stranger Creek #374	Rejected
2022-19-1403	Support for RCW Title 85 Districts and Strengthening of RCW 36.89	South Union #860	Adopted as Amended
2022-20-0902	WA Dept Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) Manage Elk	Skagit Valley #620	Adopted as Amended
2022-21-1404	Limiting Duration Governor's Executive Order	Haynie #169	Adopted as Amended
2022-22-1501	Limiting IRS Refunds	Haynie #169	Rejected
2022-23-1601	Licensing Electric Bikes	Haynie #169	Rejected
2022-24-0701	Recognizing Parent's Rights in Education Political Participation	Deer Lagoon #846	Adopted as Amended
2022-25-1405	Parents as Primary Stakeholder in their Children's Lives up to the Age of Majority	Deer Lagoon #846	Rejected
2022-26-1406	Cameras on All Ballot Boxes	Deer Lagoon #846	Rejected
2022-27-0301	Conservation District Elections	Sunnyside #129	Adopted as Amended
2022-28-0102	Name Change for Integrated Pest Management	Sunnyside #129	Adopted as Amended
2022-29-1407	Keep All Paper Ballots for 22 Months	Deer Lagoon #843	Rejected
2022-30-1305	Home Protests	Whitman County Pomona #2	Rejected
Auditing Committee Res #1	Proceeds from the Sale of State and National Grange real Property	Auditing Committee	Adopted

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

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

### AGRICULTURE

► We recommend that when government entities crafts bills or policies to create riparian buffers for salmon restoration, agriculture must be a partner in the process to ensure the result is workable, fair, effective, and sustainable.

► We support changing the name of the Washington State Commission on Pesticide Registration to the Washington State Commission on Integrated Pest Management.

► We support legislation to clarify that the presence of a minor in a work area on a farm is not proof that said minor is engaged in farm labor therefore, would not serve as cause to seize the crop and suspend the work. We believe that minors should be allowed to work on their family's farm, or under direct supervision of their guardian on someone else's farm.

► We oppose buffers as a requirement not specified by farm plan best management practices.

► We oppose the sale or leasing of public lands currently being used for agriculture for non-agricultural uses.

► We support improving farm animal welfare. Animal agriculture functions foremost as a business and those in the industry will benefit economically.

► We support stock watering as described by RCW 90.22.040 and believe herd expansion should be allowed.

► We encourage support of WSDA and WSU Extension Service in their work to educate the public about the need to control insects and pests in fruit trees near commercial orchards.

### CONSERVATION & ECOLOGY

► We support local clean air agencies' authority to enforce agricultural burning rules and oppose placing a fixed limit on the number of days of allowable burning.

► We support the role of conservation districts to be the

lead agency in providing technical assistance for landowners. We further recommend environmental enforcement agencies refer landowners to conservation districts prior to taking enforcement action.

► We support the use of biological insect control in forests and agricultural lands.

► We encourage the use of prescribed burning as a tool to minimize catastrophic wildfire.

► We support the creation of water retention facilities in the headquarters of river drainages to recharge upstream aquifers, provide for silt retention, and manage stream flows.

► We oppose the removal of any dam in the Columbia/Snake River system. These dams benefit the citizens of Washington by producing power, providing transportation, providing irrigation for food production, preventing flooding and providing recreational opportunities.

► We recognize water resources as a fundamental part of the economy and way of life in Washington State. We believe the agricultural community should have a strong voice in water resource program development and watershed management.

► We believe closure of any waters to additional appropriation should be based on peer-reviewed scientific data. We also believe permit exempt well users should not be affected by closures to new appropriation.

► We support the recommendations put forward by the Washington Association of Conservation Districts-Washington State Conservation Committee Joint Committee on Elections spelled out in the report to the commission on 9-16-2021, which includes:

a. Conducting elections every other year, rather than every year as done currently.

b. Extending supervisor terms (for both appointed and elected) from the current three-year term to a four-year term.

c. Conducting district elections during one Conservation Month.

d. Allowing conservation districts the option to go on the general election ballot.

### EDUCATION

► We support the right to home schooling with appropriate funding.

► We support the teaching of reading and writing skills, utilizing the method most appropriate to the students' learning style.

► We recommend that all schools establish STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts/Agriculture, Mathematics).

► We support allowing our teachers to set and maintain appropriate disciplinary standards at school to create a good learning atmosphere.

► We support legislation to protect parent's rights in the development of educational policy which is fundamental to the upbringing of their children.

### FISH & WILDLIFE

► We support all efforts to remove seals and sea lion from the Columbia River, and its tributaries.

► We encourage the Washington State Legislature to substantially increase the appropriation for WDFW to support the hiring of adequate staffing to allow for properly managing elk herds in Washington State.

### HEALTH, HEALTH CARE & SAFETY

► We encourage legislation that provides financial support for memory care patients to stay in their own homes, as well as additional memory care facilities.

► We oppose any mandate requiring small businesses to purchase/provide health care benefits for their employees.

► We support medical research on the benefits of marijuana in the treatment of disease.

► We support the EPS's safe dioxin levels and requirement of a warning label for products exceeding that limit.

► The State Grange will work to have to Washington Cares Program repealed.

► We support legislation to include coverage for essential



immunizations, such as shingles, pneumonia, and others, under Medicare, Part D.

### NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE

► We oppose unregulated and secret cryptocurrency mining.

► We oppose the America the Beautiful Initiative, proposed via Executive Order by the Biden Administration, which calls for conserving 50 percent of U.S. lands and waters by 2030.

### STATE LEGISLATIVE

► We support legislation that will allow candidates' names to be removed from the presidential primary election ballot if they withdraw or suspend their campaign.

► We oppose changes to the Washington State Top Two Primary Election System.

► We encourage firearm safety education for all.

► We encourage the State of Washington to reinstate funding for the operation of the Naselle Youth Camp.

► We support requiring government entities to compensate private property owner for actions which reduces the value of or limits their ability to use their land. We encourage this compensation adequately reflect the true value of the property being taken as determined by an independent appraiser.

► We oppose the elimination of elections in odd-numbered years.

► The Grange supports legislation requiring all storm water service charges and rates collected on parcels of any authorized Diking, Drainage, or Sewerage Improvement District,

formed and operating under RCW Title 85, be deposited into the revenue account of that Diking, Drainage, or Sewerage Improvement District and not into the County Storm Water Fund.

► The Grange supports legislation to limit the extension or re-issuance of an executive order issues under RCW 43.09.220 (1)(h). We further support legislation that limits emergency powers of the Governor of the State of Washington to 120 days unless further authority is granted by the legislature.

### TAXATION & FISCAL POLICY

► We support legislation to continue the provision allowing farmers markets to take place for up to 53 days per year on property considered tax exempt as a public assembly hall or community celebration facility under RCW 84.36.037.

► We support legislation to create a federal tax exemption for the first \$5,000 of income earned by agricultural students from projects completed in Grange, 4-H, FFA, and other youth organizations.

### TRANSPORTATION

► We support the prioritization of funding for farm-to-market roads.

### VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

► We strongly encourage the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife to give all qualified active service and honorably discharged military personnel a discount on hunting and dishing licenses.

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## WA State Grange Delegates Debate, Vote On Internal Issues

Delegates to the 133rd Annual Session debated and voted upon several internal issues aimed toward moving the organization forward.

### AUDIT & BUDGET:

The delegates voted that when the sale of the National Grange Headquarters Building is complete, the National Grange use the same guidelines as stated in the National Grange Digest of Laws, Chapter 4.11.1 (I) regarding the net proceeds from the sale and that if/when a State Grange sells real property, the same guidelines be used by the selling State Grange.

A special committee will be appointed to review all aspects of the Annual State Grange Session with an emphasis on increasing revenues and/or cutting expenses.

### GRANGE LAW:

The name of the Health Care Standing Committee was changed to Health, Health Care, and Safety Committee to match the name of the Session Committee.

With the addition of the Grange Youth Fairs Program, the date of Junior Grange Annual Secretary Reports was changed from May 1 to March 31.

A paragraph was added to the State Grange Bylaws regarding proceeds from insurance settlements and claims. The paragraph matches the statement added to the National Grange Digest of Laws in 2021.

The delegates will propose the National Grange change the number of delegates from each State Grange to the National Grange Session, basing the number of delegates on the number of members in each state.

The delegates are proposing the National Grange adopt a proposal of placing the Grange Flag on a staff and on the Master's left as he faces the Grange to comply with Title 43, United States Code, Chapter 1 & 7.

### GRANGE ACTIVITIES:

A special committee will be appointed to address the fraternal member benefits Granges are required to provide to retain their IRS 501 c 8 non-profit status.

The delegates recommended all Grange members visit one of the participating fairs who are conducting the Grange Youth Fairs Program this year to support our Youth and Junior Grangers and to learn more about the program.

It is recommended that Pomona Granges appoint a Youth Fairs Program Coordinator to coordinate the activities of the program in their area and to serve as a liaison between the Granges and the County/Community Fair Board.

## David Schaefer Presented 2022 Grange Leadership Award

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Upon return to civilian life, he returned to work at Weyerhaeuser, this time in Longview, where he met and married his wife who at the time worked at Longview Fiber.

1954 was a big year for them as they got married in January, bought the farm he was raised on, and welcomed their first child late that year.

His dream was to be a dairy farmer and to that end he started acquiring registered Holsteins. He supplemented the growing farm business by working at PUD until such time as his dairy would be self-sufficient. His farming practices were being noticed and he participated in farm bureau meetings and Fair Contests. In 1960 he won the title of Hay King after entering his hay into the annual contest at the Southwest Washington Fair. His dairy was now on its way to becoming self-sustaining and close to being his full-time job. ...that was until an outbreak of Brucellosis, also known as Bangs Disease hit Lewis County and hit it hard. This man's farm was one of them. All animals had to be tested, infected animals destroyed. Barns cleaned, and whitewashed, inspected and approved before milk production could begin again. The USDA was heavily involved as Brucellosis is not only highly contagious among bovine but can be transmitted to humans. The farmer lost 1/2 his herd. A loss of over \$2000 dollars. Farmers were compensated by the USDA for their loss. He received a check for \$219. It was a dark time on the farm as he saw his dream buried. With a growing family, and the need to remain full time at PUD he continued dairy farming but now as a part time job. This was his second test of "Hope and Persevere".

He poured more time into Grange activities and was instrumental in reorganizing Hope Jr. Grange along with several families in the Evelina, Napavine and Winlock area. It didn't hurt that he volunteered to be Patron and brought 5 children in as members. In 1967 Hope Jr Grange exemplified opening and closing at the State Grange Convention held that year at Centralia Community College and did a Great job!

He and his wife were active at Jr, Subordinate, Pomona and State level and kept their children active too. Some of you might remember a photo taken by Ted Barry and printed in the Grange News showing our Award recipient as Pomona Assistant

Steward, his oldest son as Subordinate Assistant Steward and one of his younger sons as Junior Assistant Steward. A trifecta!

Those of you familiar with Mayfield Junior Grange camp will be interested to know that he and his wife spent many volunteer hours along with many Grangers and neighbors clearing land, framing the lodge, pouring concrete, and painting buildings on land donated into a trust to become Mayfield Lake Youth Camp. Home to our own Mayfield Lake Jr. Grange Camp where he continued to volunteer into his mid 70's.

This while still adding to his family, Serving on the School Board and Chairing the Board that built the new High School, Babe Ruth Coach and volunteering with FFA even after his kids were long gone from Mt. St. Helens High School.

In 1983 the last of his 9 children graduated from High School. After the ceremony the principal approached him and asked him. "I'm not sure what our school will do without the leadership of one of your kids being here. If any of the staff needed anything we knew we could ask one of them and it would get done. Run a meeting, Chair a committee, introduce a guest, MC an event. How did you do it?" This man smiled and replied, "I didn't. Grange did". Getting 9 children through High School and out on their own was his 3rd test of "Hope and Persevere".

With the kids gone he took on Special Deputy duties as Convention Deputy putting close to 150 thousand miles on his faithful Nissan pickup organizing sites, facilities, housing, and more to make our conventions run smoothly. A task he enjoyed for over a decade.

Still active and recognized this year as an 80-year member he can often be found at a Grange meeting, a potluck or playing pinochle.

Among his children and grandchildren you can find 2 past State Officers, 5 past Pomona Officers, 9 past Subordinate officers. 9 past Jr Officers, decades of Jr. Grange camping program as campers, counselors. Adult leaders and camp directors. He proudly boasts one of his grandsons a Youth Ambassador. And there are still more coming up and attending camp!

In case you hadn't already guessed, please help me give a warm welcome and Thank You to the 2022 Leadership award recipient, David Schaefer.

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# 2022 Convention Recap

## Washington State Grange Honors 2022 Law Enforcement Officer Of The Year

### Klickitat County Sheriff Bob Songer

Klickitat County Sheriff, Bob Songer was introduced as Law Enforcement Officer of the Year at the recent 133rd Washington State Grange Convention in Puyallup, WA. He has been in law enforcement for over 45 years, 18 of those years in law enforcement management. Prior to being elected County Sheriff he was employed as the Klickitat County Timber and Livestock Range Patrol Deputy. In that position he soon became familiar with our local Grange members and our local Timber and Livestock operators.

As rangeland deputy he soon realized it was impossible to adequately patrol 24/7 a county that stretches over 100 miles

along the Columbia River and comprises 1904 square miles with only his allocated 13 deputies. So, one of his first endeavors as a new Sheriff was to form the Klickitat County Sheriff's Posse. Although it is called a posse in reality it is a large rural neighborhood watch association. He now has over 130 additional eyes watching the county. With the formation of this group he also has access to several airplanes and pilots, all at no cost to the county.

He was instrumental in adding K9 Deputy "Profi" to the Deputy roster in 2020. Profi is a community sponsored police dog, meaning his care and training depends on local support. Goldendale Grange became a

sponsor of "Profi" by donating for his ongoing care fund.

Drug trafficking through Klickitat County is a major challenge for his department with US Highway 97, a major drug entrance running through the heart of the County. His department and Profi are constantly working with other Government Agencies in the battle of controlling the flow of drugs across the Columbia River.

He is a crucial friend to the Grange and continually makes time to keep our membership updated on the activities of his department. His wife Fran is a Grange officer and active Grange member.



## Congratulations Convention Award Winners



Hall Improvement Awards



State Grange Volunteer Group of the Year



State Grange Foundation Scholarship Awards



Teachers of the Year



Community Service Awards - Group 1



Community Service Awards - Group 2



Firefighter of the Year



Junior Program Membership Building Award



Junior Grange Community Service Award

# Convention Memories



State Grange Deputies



Quilts of Valor Recipients

# Convention Memories



Rose Drill



Flora's Court



# Convention Memories



Feast Ladies

# National Grange News

## A View From The Hill - July 2022 Wrap-Up

By **Burton Eller**  
National Grange  
Legislative Director

### WASHINGTON OVERVIEW

#### CHIPS Bill Moves

After months of negotiations between both parties and chambers of Congress, the Senate and House were at last able to pass a final version of the \$280 billion CHIPS Act which would fund domestic semiconductor manufacturing and high-tech research. Over the past few months, the package has varied dramatically in size and scope as members of Congress from both parties have sought to fit funding for their own issues and projects into the bill. On July 27th, the Senate passed the bill in a bipartisan vote of 64 to 33 and the following day the House was able to pass the bill with more modest bipartisan margins.

#### Reconciliation Process Begins

As outlined in our last overview, Democrats have spent the last year negotiating over the contours of a large package of social and environmental spending priorities and tax increases which they could pass on a party-line vote through the budget reconciliation process. Throughout this process, moderate Democratic Senators like Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ) have served as gatekeepers of how much and what type of spending can be included in the bill. For many months it seemed as though Democrats would only be able to come to an agreement on a smaller package allowing Medicare to negotiate prescription drug prices and extending Affordable Care Act (ACA) subsidies through 2025.

However, following the passage of the CHIPS Act in the Senate, Democrats revealed a somewhat larger package dubbed the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA). Beyond drug price negotiations and ACA subsidy extension the bill includes revenue raising tax provisions closing the carried interest loophole, increasing funding at the Internal Revenue Service for tax enforcement, and setting a 15% corporate minimum tax on businesses earning greater than \$1 billion. With the estimated \$739 billion raised by the changes to drug price negotiations and tax increases the IRA would use this money to fund a variety of energy and climate related spending totaling \$369 billion and would use the remainder to pay down the federal deficit (estimated at \$300+ billion). With this package outlined, Senate Democrats will have to begin the time-consuming and arduous budget reconciliation process which will likely take up the rest of the current congressional work period before the August recess. Following Senate passage, the bill will

make its way to the House which will likely have to reconvene during the August recess to move it forward.

#### Miscellaneous Priorities

Beyond the CHIPS bill and beginning of the Reconciliation Process, both the House and Senate have a lot of smaller issues with varying levels of controversy which they want to address before the start of the August recess.

In the Senate, both parties want to undertake consensus votes on providing American approval to admitting Sweden and Finland as new NATO member states and passing the PACT Act, an important bill providing benefits to veterans who have been exposed to toxic chemicals. As well, Democratic Senate leadership would like to move forward a vote on the House passed Respect for Marriage Act, which would codify the protections extended to same-sex marriages that were created in the Supreme Court's Obergefell v. Hodges decision in 2015, that received some Republican support in the House, but has an unclear path in the Senate.

Meanwhile, as the House awaits Senate action on the CHIPS bill and Reconciliation package, leadership is pursuing votes on public safety which are dividing Democratic membership. Recently, Democrats on the House Judiciary Committee moved a bill which would ban assault weapons that a number of front-line Democratic members have already declared their opposition to. At the same time, a group of moderate Democrats has been pushing a bill which would significantly increase funding to a variety of local policing programs which has seen some opposition from progressive Democrats. House Democratic leadership is currently trying to bridge the divide between moderates and progressives on both of these issues in the hope that they can pass something before the August recess, though odds seem unlikely.

### AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

#### Grange Prepares for White House Conference

The National Grange sent comments to the White House in advance of the upcoming White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health in September. In America today, 91% of counties with the highest rates of overall food insecurity are rural, and 86% of the counties with the highest percentage of children at risk of food insecurity are rural. Grange suggested that the regulatory framework be adjusted to facilitate localized food programs, direct farm- to-consumer sales, local meat processing, farm-to-school feeding programs and more. Incentives to expand grocery retailers in underserved rural areas and the

addition of mobile food banks should also be considered.

#### Grange Urges Senate to Support Ag Research

The National Grange and nearly fifty agriculture and academic groups sent a letter to the leadership of the Senate Subcommittee in Agriculture Appropriations asking for robust investments in agriculture and food research during the 2023 fiscal year. Support for USDA's research, education, and extension programs are critical to ensuring agricultural productivity, nutrition security, sustainability, and food system equity.

#### France Gets Jump on America

Starting in October, France will ban the use of terms like steak, sausage and other meat terms on plant-based protein food. European countries have already banned terms like milk, butter and cheese on products not of animal origin. The National Grange has strong policy supporting similar actions in the U.S.

### CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT

#### Supreme Court Narrows EPA Authority

The Environmental Protection Agency does not have clear direction from Congress to require power plants to shift to cleaner energy sources according to the recent 6-3 decision from the Supreme Court. The ruling said administrative agencies must be able to point to clear congressional authorization to make decisions of vast economic and social significance and no such authorization exists in the Clean Air Act. The decision could have implications for other administrative agencies which may be using broad interpretations of regulatory authority delegated by Congress to issue and enforce regulations.

### HEALTH CARE

#### National Grange Rural Voter Poll Sheds Light on Health Care Priorities

The National Grange sponsored a Morning Consult poll of 1,004 rural voters in July that focused on barriers to health care and participation in mental health care. The survey found that rural voters feel their health care concerns are not being addressed by Congress and their health care priorities focus on lowering out-of-pocket costs and the overall cost of coverage. Rural voters support increasing transparency, requiring rebates to patients at the pharmacy counter, making sure vulnerable communities have access to health care and can afford it, and capping out-of-pocket cost-share. Mental health care is an issue for rural voters. The survey identifies several unique obstacles to mental health

care which include cost, accessibility, and awareness of help or treatment. Interestingly, 68% of rural voters polled said they would definitely vote and another 14% said they would probably vote in November. When asked what is the most important issue impacting their vote in the midterm elections, the answer was inflation/cost of goods from 49% of those polled. The next closest issue of concern was the economy/jobs among 15% of the respondents.

#### Give Patients Cost Savings at the Pharmacy Counter

The National Grange joined the National Community Pharmacists Association and over 200 patient advocacy and health care groups to support S. 4293, the bipartisan Pharmacy Benefit Manager Transparency Act of 2022 cosponsored by Senators Cantwell (D-WA.) and Grassley (R-IA). The Act would require greater transparency when pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) contract with plan sponsors and employers. It would also give the Federal Trade Commission greater enforcement authority to prohibit unfair or deceptive business practices. The goal is to assure rebates and other drug-cheapening measures actually reach the patient who is paying the bill at the pharmacy counter.

#### Immunocompromised Populations Need Additional Treatment Options

As many as seven million individuals in the U.S. currently have limited options for protection against COVID-19. The National Grange joined Healthy Women and numerous other patient advocacy groups on a letter to Food and Drug Commissioner Califf to consider additional treatment options for these patients. Such patients include those with organ transplants, cancer, HIV, other autoimmune diseases, and older Americans who manage their chronic conditions through multiple medications and may be fearful of drug interactions.

### TAXES

#### Grange Says No to New Taxes

The National Grange and nearly 200 national and state signatories sent a letter to Senate and House leadership opposing a tax increase on small, individually-owned, family-owned and closely-held businesses, farms and ranches. A special tax rate increase was being considered on these entities by Congress in its budget reconciliation package. With high inflation, supply-chain challenges and labor shortages, raising taxes on small business is a bad idea the group said. This new tax increase was not in the Senate Democrat's agreement announced July 27 called the Inflation Reduction

Act of 2022 which will become part of the budget reconciliation package.

### TELECOMMUNICATIONS

#### Congressional Rural Broadband Champions Named

Connect the Future coalition members have worked tirelessly to serve as a voice for the millions of unserved people around the country who remain without broadband access. The coalition recently announced the recipients of its 2022 Rural Broadband Champions Award. National Grange's Burton Eller was present on Capitol Hill to present these awards to Senator Roger Wicker (R-MS), Representative Tom O'Halleran (D-AZ-1) and Representative G.K. Butterfield (D-NC-1). Each lawmaker has demonstrated exceptional leadership to break down barriers that stand in the way of swift and efficient broadband buildout to rural areas.

### TRANSPORTATION

#### Railroad Logjams

Freight railroads have seriously contributed to supply chain shortages for more than two years. In just the last six months, rail service delivery issues have caused flour mills to temporarily cease operations, livestock producers to ration feed for their animals, power plants to run low on fuel, and manufacturers to seek costly shipping alternatives. With fall harvest just around the corner, demand for rail cars will increase dramatically and cause even more supply chain disruptions. The National Grange joined 88 other members of the Agricultural Transportation Working Group to support introduction of the Freight Rail Shipping Fair Market Act. This legislation would reauthorize the federal Surface Transportation Board and give the board more direction to address insufficient, unreliable rail service for the U.S. commodities supply chain. National Grange's Burton Eller and Sean O'Neil were in Capitol Hill offices this month to urge members of the House to become original cosponsors of the legislation. Ironically, the National Grange was fighting similar rail issues in the late 1800's.

#### President Staves Off Rail Strike

In mid-July, President Biden signed an executive order to appoint an emergency board to find compromise with the railroads and their Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen union, thus temporarily avoid a rail strike. The board has 30 days to investigate the facts of the dispute and report to the President. If no agreement is reached during this cooling-off period, work stoppages would be permitted beginning September 16.

# Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

## Grange Youth Ready To Showcase Their Skills In The Youth Fairs Program

Grange Youth and Junior Members, from age 5 to 19, have been preparing their projects for several months in anticipation of participating under the Grange name in fairs and livestock shows across the state.

Our Grange Youth and Juniors will be participating in the following shows this year:

- Clallam County Junior Livestock Auction (Sequim) – August 4-6
- Clark County Fair (Ridgefield) – August 5-14 – Grange livestock will be Aug 10-14
- Grays Harbor County Fair (Elma) – August 10-13
- Grant County Fair (Moses Lake) – August 16-20
- North Central Washington Fair (Waterville) – August 25-28
- Northeast Washington Fair (Colville) – August 25-28
- Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days (Walla Walla) – August 31-September 4
- Kittitas County Fair (Ellensburg) – September 1-5
- Ferry County Fair (Republic) – September 2-4
- Chelan County Fair (Cashmere) – September 8-11
- Othello Fair (Othello) – September 14-17

Some of the fairs will be all project areas, while others may be livestock only. There may be provisions as to what our Grange youth may enter. Those regulations are set at the local level.

The purpose of the Grange Youth Fairs Program is to provide increased learning opportunities for our youth members in developing their leadership skills and self-confidence with an understanding of agriculture and community development. In addition to teaching skills in raising livestock and produce, the program also features the arts, family living, and social science skills.

One of the goals of the program is to provide an alternative for those who want to participate in the local and/or county fair, but do not “fit” into the usual agricultural youth programs.

All Grangers are encouraged to support our Grange youth by attending and encouraging our youth members to do their best at these public events.

## Convention Youth



## Youth Department Awards

### Youth Ambassador

Abby Hegney, McIntosh #1001

### Sign-a-Song Contest - Individual

First Place – Tessa Taft, Humptulips #730

### Pizzaz Awards

Jason Terrasi, Mossyrock #355

Anthony Compson, Mossyrock #355

### Impromptu Speeches – Ages 14-19

First Place – Brady Lierman, Horseshoe #965

Second Place – tie – Abby Hegney, McIntosh #1001, and Melissa Kudsk, Haynie #169

Third Place – Kaitlyn Vafeados, Horseshoe #965

### Impromptu Speeches, Ages 20-35

First Place – Nick Oliver, Collins #893

Second Place – Sheyenne Koen,

Kellogg Marsh #136

Third Place – Leah Bardal, Pleasant Hill #101

### Impromptu Speeches, Age 36 and Over

First Place – Heather Ferguson, Waitsburg #1

Second Place – Victor Stevens, Roy #702

Third Place – Kari Haan, Fern Prairie #866

### Youth Raffle

First Place - \$400 – Matt Harbin, Addy WA

Second Place - \$100 – Skokomish Grange #379, Shelton WA

Third Place - \$60 – David Bryant, Spanaway WA

Fourth Place - \$40 – Melanie Hackett, Custer WA

## Youth

## Another Successful Convention

By Jerry Gwin  
State Youth Director

The youth department enjoyed another successful convention. Our groups was small, but enthusiastic. Melissa Kudsk of Haynie Grange was elected to be our Youth Master for the year. She has an excellent team of officers working with her. Congratulations and best wishes to all of them as they move forward with their Grange activities.

We are now preparing for the Western Regional Grange Leaders and Youth Conference, to

be held August 5-7 in Springfield, Oregon. This conference will feature the regional contests in public speaking, sign-a-song, and Grange baseball. Winners of the regional contests will advance to compete and/or perform at the National Grange Convention in Sparks, Nevada in November. At last count, our state will have 14 representatives attend the conference. The 2023 Western Regional Conference is scheduled to be held on the first weekend of August and will be in the State of California.

Applications for National Grange Youth Programs are due

to me no later than August 15. This will include the John Trimble Legislative Experience and the National Grange Youth Officer Team. The application forms on the National Grange Youth website: [www.nationalgrangeyouth.org](http://www.nationalgrangeyouth.org).

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



Jerry Gwin

## Youth & Junior Drill Team



# Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

## Convention Juniors



## Junior Connection

### Humptulips Junior Grange

Humptulips Junior Grange members created a display for the Cowlitz County Fair in Longview. We will also have a display at our own fair, the Grays Harbor County Fair. In early June, Junior Grangers made deck planters, filled with a variety of flowers. Each member took them home, with hopes of taking them to the county fair. In July, we met for craft day and did leather stamping and duct tape bags. The next day we took a field trip to the Olympic National Park on the North Shore of Lake Quinault. We did the hike on the Kestner Homestead Trail. One of our youngest members is a 7th generation member of the Kestner family. We then had a picnic at the July Creek Picnic Area on the north shore of the lake. In late July, we completed string art projects for the National Junior Grange craft contest. Plans are moving forward for the Grays Harbor County Fair exhibits.

### North River Junior Grange

North River Junior Grange members are planning a display for the Grays Harbor County Fair.

## Stranger Creek Juniors Present Impromptu Demonstrations

By Audrey Esvelt

### Stranger Creek Junior Grange

At the last two general Stranger Creek Jr. Grange meetings, we did impromptu demonstrations. When doing impromptu demonstrations, we were in groups of two, and it was to help with public speaking.

Each team was given a cooking utensil or a mechanic tool, usually something that was unique and the use unknown. We were to create a name and a use for the tool and prepare a demonstration in five to seven minutes. Then, each team went up in front of the group and gave

a three minute demonstration that was not practiced. We showed our given tool and told everyone the name we had come up with and its use. Not only were the demonstrations fun for everyone, but they helped improve our public speaking skills.



Audrey and River



Marlin and Orson



Kacey and Alice

## Junior

### Juniors Experience "Firsts" At Convention

By Heather Ferguson  
Junior Grange Director



Heather Ferguson

Even though I have been the Junior Department Director since fall of 2019, this was my first full convention since I started. Lots of planning happened to make this convention the success it was. Now that I have one behind me, next year will be even better. The overriding theme that came out of this convention for the Juniors was "Firsts". We had a lot of firsts for the Juniors attending and for the department over the week.

The biggest and most exciting first for the Juniors attending, was joining the Youth as they opened the Grange on Saturday morning. Neither the Youth nor Juniors had enough to fill all of the offices, so we joined our groups. The Juniors and their Youth mentors, did a fabulous job filling the offices, learning and performing the opening drill and also participating in the Youth show drill. Our Juniors will defiantly remember this convention.

Secondly, this was the first time that the Junior department had an impromptu public speaking contest. All of the Juniors participated and many surprised themselves with how well they did. We had entertaining speeches on summer activities, dinosaurs and dragons. Those who placed in the top three all received money and a ribbon. Our winners were: First Place- Jacob Smith, Second Place- James Brouillard, Third Place- Kendra Parker.

We also had a fabulous turn out for our arts and crafts contest. The diversity and quality of the entries was wonderful and made for a lovely display. Our judges had a very hard time deliberating and mentioned that it was really difficult to judge. The top three in each group received ribbons and monetary awards.

#### Group 1-

First- Ryker Gaylor, Fargher Lake JG  
Second- Jerid Morris, Humptulips JG  
Third- Lena Gilmour, Fargher Lake JG

#### Group 2-

First- Lukas Gaylor, Fargher Lake JG  
Second- Kemper Van Gelder, Fern Prairie #866  
Third- Kemper Van Gelder, Fern Prairie #866

#### Group 3-

First- Jessica Van Gelder, Fern Prairie #866  
Second- Roland West, Fargher Lake JG  
Third- Drew Stewart, Humptulips JG

#### Group 4-

First- Humptulips JG #376

#### Group 5-

First- Jonathan Miles, Humptulips JG  
Second- Abi Schmoe, Humptulips JG  
Third- Bobby Stewart, Humptulips JG

Thank you to all that made convention possible for the Juniors, the Junior leadership team, Rick and Terry Ferguson, the Youth Department, North Bellingham Grange #201 for the wonderful strawberries, Jim Bryant for crocheting lots of red shoes, those who participated in the contests and auction, everyone who supported our department by eating ice cream and buying shoes and everyone else I forgot. We could not do it without you. Thank you.

# Spotlight on Youth & Juniors

## Sharon Grange Juniors Hold Interesting Summer Programs



Sharon Junior Grange had interesting activities at their meetings this summer. June's meeting focused on bird houses and worm gardens (composting). Approximately 12 kids from 5 different families attended. Many of the youth helped some of our Jr members with their bird houses. It was a learning experience for adults, youth and junior Grangers. July's meeting focused on learning leather crafting. Sarah Sigler brought her supplies and worked with kids to make banks using mason jars and leather. They learned how tough working with leather is and the patience it requires.



## National Grange Part Of Wonderama Kick-Off

The National Grange took to the streets of NYC recently to be part of the TV Program Wonderama's Season 7 kick-off and talked to those in the city about agriculture facts and careers as well as our wonderful organization. Several of our members were interviewed for the national program and National Grange President Betsy Huber took part in the ribbon cutting.



(Above) Wonderama Host David Osmond with National Grange President Betsy Huber. (Right) Grangers with Today Show Host Hoda Kotb.



## East Wenatchee Grange Youth Hold Successful Food Drive

The kids at the East Wenatchee Grange Youth Fair Program are awesome!! On June 24 and 25 they put on a food drive at the East Wenatchee Grocery Outlet to help support the local Salvation Army! These kids worked hard talking to every person that walked into the store, telling them who we are and how they can donate! In the end, East Wenatchee Grange had almost 700lbs of donated nonperishable food items that went to the local Salvation Army's food bank! It was so amazing, we just had to share!



## Grange GROW Club

## Washington State Grange GROW Club Holds Annual Pizza Feed

The Washington State Grange GROW Club and family members gathered at Trakside Pizza in Puyallup on June 24 for their annual pizza feed. Special guest was National Grange Pomona, Kay Stiles. A total of \$187 was collection for the National Grange GROW Club travel scholarship. The youth department rounded that up to \$200 and donated the funds to

the National Grange Youth and Junior Telethon in July.

GROW Club is for those who have held the title of Washington State Grange Youth Ambassador, Outstanding Young Granger, Outstanding Young Couple, Prince, or Princess. They meet annually to keep in touch, and as a reminder to Go Right On Working (GROW) in the Grange.



## Addy/Stranger Creek Grange Beef Group Update



Addy/Stranger Creek Grange Beef Group kids are hard at work on their 2022 Fair projects. We applaud our kids and their strong work this past year.

# Home & Family

## This Was A Great Contest Year

By Helen Berg  
Family Living Director

What a great contest we had this year. It would not have been possible without the great help I had. I will not try to mention all of you because I will probably leave out someone. However, I would like to mention Eileen Mobious who was on the local steering committee. She was responsible for getting our judges and helpers. She did a phenomenal job. I know how difficult it is to get judges as I have had this job in the past.

Thank you, Eileen. I would be remiss if I did not thank all of you who participated in the contests as well as brought entries from your Pomona's. You all made this year a success.

Congratulations to the winners in all the contests. Their names are printed elsewhere in this paper.

Now it is time to be thinking of next year. Canning season is upon us. If you are putting up food for the winter, set aside your favorite for next year's contest. The hardest part of this is keeping the family from

eating it before it is judged. I have a friend who would set aside her entries for the fair in a special place and always brought in blue ribbons.

I am now looking forward to next year and am making some changes. If you have suggestions, please feel free to contact me. I want our program to be user friendly.

Have a great summer. At this writing we are looking at the heat moving in.



Helen Berg



## Make Healthy Easy with Grapes

(Courtesy of Family Features)

Grapes are a popular and convenient fruit that can also be an ally in wellness, offering an abundance of health benefits that can help you get (and stay) on the right track.

The next time you enjoy an outdoor adventure, pack along a healthy snack such as California grapes. They can go with you on hikes and bike rides or to the gym as a healthy and hydrating source of energy. Heart-healthy grapes also deliver beneficial antioxidants and other polyphenols and are a good source of vitamin K, which supports bone and heart health. With no need to peel, cut, core or slice, grapes are perfectly portable when you're on the go.

As an easy, versatile ingredient that can be used in a wide variety of recipes, grapes offer delicious taste, texture and color – plus a healthy boost – that make them an appealing addition to snacks and meals. An added bonus: Grapes help support heart, brain, colon and skin health.

Crunchy Salad Pizza on Cauliflower Crust is a simple way to get your fruits and veggies in a fun, tasty recipe.

Whatever your path to health, eating well and encouraging healthy habits can be deliciously easy with the benefits of grapes.

Find more health benefits and good-for-you recipe ideas at [GrapesFromCalifornia.com](http://GrapesFromCalifornia.com).

## Crunchy Salad Pizza on Cauliflower Crust

Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 10 minutes Servings: 4

### Ingredients:

- 1 frozen cauliflower pizza crust (11 ounces)
- 1 tablespoon, plus 4 teaspoons, extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 2 medium carrots, peeled and trimmed
- 1 medium fennel bulb, quartered and trimmed
- 1 medium yellow bell pepper, halved and trimmed
- 1/2 medium red onion
- 16 black California grapes, halved
- 1 cup canned or cooked chickpeas, drained and rinsed, divided
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley
- 2 tablespoons pesto
- salt, to taste
- freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 1 ounce fresh goat cheese, crumbled

Heat oven to 400° F. Place frozen crust on large, parchment-lined baking sheet and brush top lightly with 2 teaspoons olive oil. Bake until crust is lightly golden, about 10 minutes. Transfer to cutting board and cut into quarters.

Using mandolin, peeler or large, sharp knife and cutting board, thinly slice carrots, fennel, bell pepper and onion. Transfer to mixing bowl and add grapes and 1/2 cup chickpeas. Add parsley, pesto and 1 tablespoon olive oil; toss well. Season with salt and pepper, to taste.

Using fork, coarsely mash remaining chickpeas and remaining oil; spread among pieces of crust. Mound grape-vegetable mixture on top. Dot with goat cheese and serve.

## Family Living Award Winners



## Community Service

## Pop Tabs No Longer A Community Service Project

By Heather Ferguson  
Community Service Director

It was a great convention and so good to see old friends and meet many new ones. Thank you to everyone that collected personal care products and pop tabs. The personal care products, Keep Washington Warm and children's books were collected by a local charity. They were ecstatic to receive them.

Pop tabs, on the other hand, were not so easy or welcomed. There were over 300 pounds of pop tabs collected. Ronald

McDonald House (RMH) would rather not have tabs dropped off at their facilities because of the smell, bugs, mice droppings and the fact that recycling centers no longer want to or are unable to process large donations of tabs. I completely understand this after having dealt with them at convention.

Indeed, the exact problems that the RMH stated were found to be true. They smelled, there were lots of bugs and mouse droppings, they were sticky and the recycling center had to be begged to take them.

They will no longer accept them in the future. For the 300 pounds of tabs we received just over \$50.00. This is not a good return on the time and effort put into this project.

Since this is no longer a preferred program for Ronald McDonald house, we will no longer be accepting pop tabs in the community service department. We are looking for another project to work on for the RMH but have not found the right one just yet. If you have any ideas, please let me know.



Heather Ferguson

# Home & Family

## 2022 Family Living Contest Results

### Class 1 Baking:

- Best of Show:** Shelly Macy Ten Mile Grange #399  
Whatcom Pomona #6 Chocolate Cake  
**2nd Best of Show:** Jennifer Oliver Collins #893  
Pierce Pomona # 16 Gluten Free Shortbread

### Class 1 Baking YOUTH

- BOS:** Adrianna McCellan Fargher Lake # 853  
Clark Pomona #1 Decorated cookies  
**2nd BOS:** Abigail Richmond East Wenatchee #1012  
Douglas #49 Choc. Chip Cookies

### Class 1 Baking JUNIOR:

- BOS:** Cassidy Bowen Sharon Jr. #414  
GH/Pacific #28 Snickerdoodles

### WASHINGTON WHEAT GROWERS:

- BOS Junior:** Cassidy Bowen  
**BOS Youth:** Adrianna McCellan  
**BOS Adult:** Shelly Macy  
**2nd BOS Youth:** Abigail Richmond  
**2nd BOS Adult:** Jennifer Oliver

### Group 1 Class A Lot 1 Breads and Rolls Adult

1. Barbara Hagadorn Fargher Lake #853  
Clark #1 Yeast Bread
2. Diane Williams South Union #860  
Thurston #8 English Muffin Bread
3. Sheri Dee Bock East Wenatchee # 1012  
Douglas # 49 French Bread

### Group 1 Class A Lot 2 Sweet Yeast Pastries

1. Barbara Hagadorn Fargher Lake #853  
Clark #1 Cinnamon Rolls

### Group 1 Class A Lot 3 Quick Breads

1. Dennis Hall Skagit Valley # 620  
Skagit #10 Apple Bread
- 2.
3. Joan Frymire Sunnyside #129 Cowlitz # 7  
Grape Nut Banana Bread

### Group 1 Class A Lot 4 Machine Bread

1. Shelly Macy Ten Mile # 399 Whatcom #6  
Machine Yeast Bread

### Group 1 Class B Lot ½ Cakes

1. Shelley Macy Ten Mile # 399 Whatcom #6  
Chocolate Cake
2. Jean Swift Skagit Valley # 620 Skagit #10  
Triple Chocolate Bundt Cake
3. Sue Palmer Samish Valley #926 Skagit # 10  
Apple Cake

### Group 1 Class B Lot 7 JUNIOR Cookies

1. Cassidy Bowen Sharon Jr. #414  
GH/Pacific #28 Snickerdoodles

### Group 1 Class B Lot 7 Youth Cookies

1. Adrianna McCellan Fargher Lake # 853  
Clark #1 Decorated Cookies
2. Abigail Richmond East Wenatchee #1012  
Douglas # 49 Chocolate Chip Cookies

### Group 1 Class B Lot 7 ADULT Cookies

1. Jennifer Oliver Collins #893 Pierce #16  
Gluten Free Shortbread
- 2.
3. Sheron Gerard Olympic View #774  
GH/Pacific #28 Chocolate Chip coconut Macaroons

### Group 1 Class B Lot 8 Other

- Jean Hauk Ten Mile #399 Whatcom #6  
Almond Raspberry Bark



### Group 2 Class A Cooked Candy YOUTH

1. **BOS** Meredith Meats Fargher Lake # 853 Clark #1  
Chocolate Caramels Also 1st place winner

### Group 2 Class A Cooked Candy ADULT

1. **BOS** Marilyn Curtis Rome # 226 Whatcom #6  
Mocha Bourbon Balls **Also 1st Place Winner**
2. **2nd BOS** Thelma Weiland Fertile Valley # 1094  
Pend Oreille #29 Fantasy Fudge **Also 2nd Place Winner**
3. **3rd Place Winner** Haldis Sholes North River #946  
GH/Pacific #28 English Toffee

### Group 3 Food Preservation

- Adult BOS** Tom Gwin Humptulips #730  
GH/Pacific #28 Vegetable Soup Mix  
**Adult 2nd BOS** Jeff Prowse Cedar Valley #306  
Snohomish # 12 Ham Bone Broth  
**Youth BOS** Kohl Brandner Humptulips # 730  
GH/Pacific #28 Applesauce  
**Junior BOS** Drew Stewart Humptulips Jr. #376  
GH/Pacific #28 Grape Jelly

### Group 3 Class A Canned Fruit

1. Debra Basquez Fruitland #999 Pierce # 16 Peaches
2. Jean Swift Skagit Valley #620 Skagit # 10 Applesauce
3. Matlyn Brayham East Hill #786 King #13 Peaches

#### Youth

- Kohl Brandner Humptulips # 730  
GH/Pacific # 28 Applesauce

#### Junior

- Jonathon Miles Humptulips Jr. #376  
GH/Pacific #28 Applesauce

### Group 3 Class B Vegetables

1. Diane Williams South Union # 860  
Thurston #8 Tomatoes  
Jeff Prowse Cedar Valley #306 Snohomish # 12  
French Onion Soup
2. Ann Melana Ford's Prairie #33 Lewis #3 Jalapinoes

### Group 3 Class C Jams/ Jellies/Preserves

1. Jean Swift Skagit Valley # 620 Skagit #10 Pear Jam
2. Mel Knott East Hill #786 King # 13 Raspberry Jam
3. Chris Hamp 5 Mile Prairie # 905 Spokane # 4  
Pear Amber Jam

#### Youth

1. Kohl Brandner Humptulips # 730  
GH/Pacific #28 Grape Jelly
- 2.
3. Zack Bock E. Wenatchee # 1012 Douglas # 49

#### Junior

1. Drew Stewart Humptulips Jr. #376 GH/Pacific #28

### Group 3 Class D Meats

1. Jeff Prowse Cedar Valley # 306 Snohomish # 12  
Ham bone Broth
2. Diane Williams South union #860 Thurston # 8  
Salmon
3. Debra Basquez Fruitland #999 Pierce # 16 Chicken

### Group 3 Class E Tomato products/Salsa

- Debra Basquez Fruitland #999 Pierce # 16 Salsa

#### Youth

- Kohl Brandner Humptulips # 730  
GH/Pacific #28 Tomato salsa

#### Junior

- Jett Morris Humptulips Jr. # 376 GH/Pacific #28

### Group 3 Class F Pickles

1. Diane Williams South Union # 860 Thurston # 8  
Dilly Beans
2. Jerry Gwin Humptulips # 730 GH/Pacific #28  
Sweet Pickle Relish

### Group 3 Class H Juices

- Tom Gwin Humptulips # 730 GH/Pacific #28  
Pomegranate Juice

### Group 3 Class J Dehydrated Food

1. Tom Gwin Humptulips # 730 GH/Pacific #28  
Vegetable Soup Mix
2. Debra Basquez Fruitland # 999 Pierce #16 Potatoes  
Onion Flakes  
Tom Gwin Humptulips #730 GH/Pacific #28  
Dried Walnuts
3. Jean Swift Skagit Valley #620 Skagit # 10  
Onion Flakes  
Tom Gwin Humptulips #730 GH/Pacific #28  
Dried Walnuts

#### Youth

1. Bradley Sakrison Fargher Lake # 853 Clark #1  
Dried Walnuts

### Group 4 Needlework

- BOS Adult:** Shereyl Hemp Kellogg Marsh #136  
Snohomish # 12 Hand embroidered pillowcases  
**2nd BOS Adult:** Mark George Sharon #800  
GH/Pacific #28 White crochet tablecloth  
**BOS Youth:** Kimberly Brunner Ford's Prairie #33  
Lewis #3 Baby Blanket

### Group 4 Class A-1 Large crochet item for house

1. Mark George Sharon #800 GH/Pacific #28 Tablecloth
2. Kate Holestine Green Bluff #300 Spokane # 4  
Table Runner

### Group 4 Class B-1 Small crochet item for house

1. Mark George Sharon #800 GH/Pacific #28  
White Crochet Doily
2. Susan Rothfus Catlin #199 Cowlitz #7 Doily

### Group 4 Class C-1 Crochet Item to Wear

1. Meta Rogers Kellogg Marsh # 136 Snohomish #12  
Child's Dress

### Group 4 Class C-2 Knit Item to wear

1. Karen Castello Skagit Valley #620 Skagit # 10  
Baby Sweater and Cap



# Home & Family

## 2022 Family Living Contest Results

2. Laura Rookstool Deer Lagoon #846 Island #50

### Group 4 Class D-1 Crochet Afghan

1. Meta Rogers Kellogg Marsh # 136 Snohomish #12 Afghan
2. Michelle Bolton Goldendale #49 Klickitat #5 Afghan

### Group 4 Class E-1 Crochet Lap Robe/Baby

1. Jan Schmidt Waller Road #1111 Pierce #16 Baby Afghan
2. Beth Manning Valley # 1048 Excelsior #37 Lap Robe

### Group 4 Class G-1 Embroidery/Needlework etc.

1. Shereyl Hemp Kellogg Marsh #136 Snohomish #12 Hand Embroidered Pillowcases

### Youth: Group 4 Class E-2 Baby knit

1. Kimberly Brunner Ford's Prairie #33 Lewis #3 Baby Blanket

### Group 5 Sewing

- BOS:** Shereyl Hemp Kellogg Marsh #136 Snohomish #12 2 pc. Lace blouse and skirt  
**2nd BOS:** Jan Schmidt Waller Road #1111 Pierce #16 Prairie Dress

### Group 5 Class A Adult Clothing

1. Shereyl Hemp Kellogg Marsh # 136 Snohomish #12 2 pc. Lace blouse and skirt
2. Wilke Pratt Goldendale #49 Klickitat #5 Skirt

### Group 5 Class B Children's Clothing

1. Donna Scarola Goldendale #49 Klickitat #5 Confirmation Dress

### Group 5 Class C-1 Lined coat or jacket

1. Allie Cornline East Wenatchee #1012 Douglas #49 Lined Jacket

### Group 5 Class E-1 Large item for house

1. **Adult:** Davona Gwin Humptulips #730 GH/Pacific #28 Table Runner
2. **Youth:** Kohl Brandner Humptulips #730 GH/Pacific #28 Table Runner
3. **Junior:** Eagan Yarmey-Stanley Humptulips Jr. # 376 GH/Pacific #28 Table Runner

### Group 5 Class E-2 Medium Household item

1. Marilyn Armit Mossyrock #355 Lewis #3 Potholder

### Group 5 Class E-3 Small household item

1. Jan Schmidt Waller Road #1111 Pierce #16 Curling Iron Travel Case

### Group 5 Class F Apron

1. Margaret Ohlsen Tualco #284 Snohomish #12 Apron

### Group 5 Class G Costume

1. Jan Schmidt Waller Road #1111 Pierce # 16 Prairie Dress

### Group 5 Class H Other

1. Vivienne Bussel Goldendale #49 Klickitat #5 Tote Bag
2. Carol Evans McIntosh #1001 Spokane #4 Burp Cloths
3. Jan Schmidt Waller Road #1111 Pierce #16 Adult Clothes Protector

### Group 7 Comfort Toys

1. Becky Escobar Ford's Prairie #33 Lewis #3
2. Sherry Crespo Fruitland #999 Pierce #16
3. Sherry Crespo

### Group 6: Quilts

- BOS:** Marie Blichfeldt South Union #860 Thurston #8 Fish Quilt  
**2nd BOS:** Donna Scarola Goldendale # 49 Klickitat # 5 Hand Quilted Quilt

### Group 6 Class A-1 Large Traditional Quilt

1. Charlene Phinney McMillan #848 Pierce #16
2. Ginny Ith South Union #860 Thurston #8
3. Joanie Raymond Molson #1069 Okanogan # 53

### Group 6 Class A-2 Small Traditional Quilt

1. David Watson South Union #860 Thurston #8
2. Charlene Phinney McMillan #848 Pierce #16
3. Mary Ann Wolsky Valley #1048 Excelsior #37

### Group 6 Class A-3 Lap Quilt Traditional

1. Valerie Hubbard South Union #860 Thurston #8

### Group 6 Class A-5 Traditional Wall Hanging

1. Dee Eckhardt South Union #860 Thurston #8 Hope's Journey
2. Rose Hosford South Union #860 Thurston #8 Barn Dance



### Group 6 Class B-1 Non-Traditional Large

1. Marie Blichfeldt South Union #860 Thurston #8

### Group 6 Class B-5 Non-traditional Wall Hanging

1. Linda Becker South Union #860 Thurston #8 Flower Pot Sampler
2. Sharon Walsh South Union #860 Thurston #8 Black w/ circles

### Group 6 Class C-1 Large Hand Quilted

1. Donna Scarola Goldendale #49 Klickitat #5

### Group 6 Class C-2 Small Hand Quilted

1. Dee Eckhardt South Union #860 Thurston #8
2. Sue Rothfus Catlin #199 Cowlitz #7

### Group 6 Class E Made by an Organization

Twisted Sisters of WA Stars Guild

### Group 8 State Quilt Block

**BOS** Karen Richards Clayton #456 Excelsior # 37



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Wonky Star

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Star may be in any color family (solid or print)  
 on white or light gray background.  
 Final size - 12.5" unfinished.

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# Grange Connection

## ADAMS COUNTY

**Ralston Grange** members discussed possible plans for our involvement at the Wheat Land Communities' Fair. It was decided to continue some of our activities but discontinue a few for various reasons. The Grange will sponsor the: Superintendent's Dinner-held on Wednesday, probably a potato bar; Grange Display Booth - the theme of the fair this year is "Better Together"; Bingo - Friday 4 to 7 and Saturday 1 to 7 only; Food Concession- 11 to 7 Friday, Noon to 7 Saturday, 11 to 2 Sunday. Kraut Ranza, German Sausage, Beverages, Popcorn Balls, Popcorn, Soft Pretzels, Cotton Candy and add to the menu this year, Elephant Ears. A special meeting will be held in early August to firm up plans for the fair and begin signing up volunteers!

## CLARK COUNTY

**Mountain Valley Grange** met on June 11th. Standing committee reports were given. Judy Steigmann and Val Weisenborn are working on the booth for the Clark County Fair in August. Mt. Valley is sponsoring the Old Timers/Old School picnic August 6th at the Territorial Days Park. The Meals on Wheels Senior lunch program will be returning in the next month or so. Judy Steigmann, Lecturer, started the Heirloom Program from National Grange. She will continue with it at the next meeting.

## GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

**East Oakville Grange** will host a Swap Meet on August 5-6.

**Humptulips Grange** is planning for participation in the Grays Harbor County Fair and the Washington State Fair. The youth

will also have a display at the county fair. The Grange food bank served 67 families in June and 58 families in July.

**Sharon Grange** hosted a swap meet on June 25-26. The Grange is hosting month craft project days. Several members volunteers for a shift in the Grange Building at the Grays Harbor County Fair.

## Klickitat County

**Columbia Grange** heard from Will Lyons, Underwood Conservation District Technician, who reminded members that the above average precipitation this spring will bring the possibility of severe fire conditions later this summer. He presented two services the district offers to prepare for the upcoming fire season: a free in-person consultation where we'll walk around your homesite and offer no-obligation guidance for ways to be prepared for wildfire. To reduce those wildfire hazards, UCD also offers a free mobile chipping service in Skamania and Western Klickitat Counties, as funding permits. This service enables wood-based chips to be recyclable.

## Lewis County

**Oakview Grange** has welcomed nine new members thus far in 2022. Due to the huge influx of household items dumped in the used clothing shed, Grangers have kept busy prepping items for garage sales. The sales have afforded the Grange the ability to purchase 15 new folding tables. The next garage sale is planned for September 16-17. Lecturer Becky Escobar has incorporated the Heirloom Program into each meeting. Each month, a Granger has been presenting the evening's program.

Programs have ranged from fossil hunting at Stonerose Eocene Fossil site (Republic, WA) to Train Mountain - world's largest model railroad ... over 36 miles of 7.5 gauge track on 2205 acres (Chiloquin, OR) to Tenino, WA wooden money. April's program featured the nearly 90-year-old Mt. Capra family-owned, sustainably managed goat dairy. June saw members traveling to Chaplain Gayle Mulligan's home for a BBQ and to view her huge doll collections. Marcy Belles was our delegate to the State Grange Convention, taking entries and collectible items with her. May's fundraiser saw a donation of \$110 to Dogs for Better Lives. Grangers will prepare their fair booth for the upcoming Southwest Washington Fair in August.

## Pacific County

**Long Beach Grange** hosted the Pomona Meeting on July 16. There was a discussion on the use of Morehead Park, with plans to schedule a meeting with county commissioners on the park's future. Members are mourning the passing of Overseer John Larson in July. He was our delegate to the state convention in June.

**North River Grange** members are planning their display for the Grays Harbor County Fair. Grange members have been busy with their service projects and operating the food bank.

**North Willapa Harbor Grange** held a flea market in July. The event included a berry social activity. The Grange is planning a bake sale at the Tokeland Woodfest on August 5-6.

## Thurston County

time members. Pomona enjoyed their annual picnic on July 10 at the Nelson Ranch. It was a sunny afternoon gathering, filled with food and fellowship in a lovely setting. Just a reminder that the next regular meeting will be on a WEDNESDAY, at 7:00 pm on September 7 at Black Lake Grange Hall. A potluck will precede the meeting at 6:00 pm.

## Yakima Valley Pomona

**Yakima Valley Pomona** will host the Annual Pomona Picnic on Sunday, August 28 at 1 p.m. at the Central Washington Agricultural Museum, 4508 Main Street in Union Gap. The event will be a potluck. All Grange members and their families are invited.

South Union Grange was well represented at the Washington State Grange convention in Puyallup in June. Members Beverly York and Jordyn Mitchell received the Fifth and Sixth Degree. Bruce and James Brouillard, whose mother Mary Brouillard and grandmother Christie Vintilo are South Union members, enjoyed becoming members and participating in the Junior Grange program. James was awarded second place in the Junior public speaking competition and both boys drilled with the state Youth group on Saturday morning. Members Diane Williams and Pam Mathews earned multiple ribbons in Family Living and Lecturer's

Dept. competitions. Several non-Grangers whose entries were sponsored by South Union did well in the competitions. On Friday October 14 at 7:00 pm, the Grange will host a forum for Thurston County Sheriff and County Commissioner candidates. Donations for the food bank will be accepted at the forum, with the food drive continuing through December 19. The next meeting will be on Monday August 15 at 7:00 pm. 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**

<b>CHELAN</b>	.....August 20 at BeeHive, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>CLARK</b>	.....September 14, location to be determined.
<b>COWLITZ/ WAHKIAKUM</b>	.....August meeting to be determined. September 17 at Pleasant Hill, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 p.m. meeting.
<b>EXCELSIOR</b>	.....September 24 at The Valley, 10:30 a.m. Harvest Auction with proceeds to the Camp NEWA Fund.
<b>FERRY</b>	.....October 10 at Malo, 6 p.m.
<b>GRAYS HARBOR/ PACIFIC</b>	.....November 5 at Olympic View, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>KLICKITAT</b>	.....September 10 at Alder Creek, 5 p.m. potluck, 6 p.m. meeting.
<b>LEWIS</b>	.....August 6 at Logan Hill, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>MASON</b>	.....September 17 at The Agate, 11 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>OKANOGAN</b>	.....November 12 at Brewster, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>PIERCE</b>	.....August 20 at Roy, 10 a.m.
<b>SKAGIT</b>	.....September 7 at Samish Valley, 6 p.m.
<b>SNAKE RIVER</b>	.....September 17 at Columbia Valley, 10 a.m.
<b>SNOHOMISH</b>	.....September 17 at Tualco, 10 a.m.
<b>SPOKANE</b>	.....August 20 at McIntosh, 9 a.m.
<b>STEVENS</b>	.....October 22 at Stranger Creek, 11 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>THURSTON</b>	.....August 14, Silver Star/Golden Sheaf event at McLane, 2 p.m. September 7, Business Meeting at Black Lake, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.
<b>WHATCOM</b>	.....September 20 at North Bellingham, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting.
<b>WHITMAN</b>	.....September 17 at Wilcox, 10 a.m. meeting, 12 p.m. potluck.
<b>YAKIMA VALLEY</b>	.....August 28 Pomona Picnic at Central Washington Ag Museum, 1:30 p.m. October 10, Business Meeting at Fruitvale, 5 p.m. potluck, 6 p.m. meeting.

## Pomona Connection

### CLARK COUNTY POMONA

**Clark County Pomona** met on June 8th at Manor Grange. Calvin Russell gave a wonderful program on the history of the Grange entitled "What is the Grange?". Standing committee reports were given. Janice Anderson and Vickie Gilmour, Fair Building Supervisors, are working on a list of volunteers for the Grange Booth Display at the Clark County Fair in August. Tom Hann and Mike Gilmour spoke on the youth and the projects they are working on for the fair.

### GRAYS HARBOR/ PACIFIC POMONA

**Grays Harbor/Pacific Pomona** Grange met on July 16 at the Long

Beach Grange Hall. Reports were given on the State Grange Session. Plans for the Grange display area at the Grays Harbor County Fair were discussed. The Pomona agreed to sponsor the awards for the Fit/Show classes for the Grange Youth classes at the county fair. Information was sent to each Grange asking for volunteers to man the Grange displays at the county fair.

### THURSTON COUNTY POMONA

**Thurston County Pomona's** annual Silver Star and Golden Sheaf recognition event will be held on Sunday August 14 at McLane Grange Hall at 2:00 pm. Members and friends are invited to attend and help us celebrate all our long-

# Grange Connection

## Black Lake Grange Hosts Spring Fest



Black Lake Grange celebrated Grange month by hosting a community Spring Fest. The Grange provided free community-building activities like child ID for parents, art and drawing activities, carnival-type games of corn hole, cupcake walk, fishing for prizes and free refreshments. Many people new to the Grange stopped by to enjoy the open house and find the Grange. We look forward to sharing this time with the community again in a Fall Fest.

## Pleasant Hill Grange Removes Problem Trees After Storm



Pleasant Hill Grange #101 removed problem trees when the top blew out of one after a recent wind storm. State Deputy Rex Ogden, State Gatekeeper Butch Ogden, Dustin Ogden, all from Sunnyside #129, and Lonnie Scott Pleasant Hill #101 felled 3 problem trees. Arnie and Denise Bardol (Leah #101), and Jim Hedges Catlin #199 along with State Treasurer Annie Scott helped in cleaning up the branches.

## Camden Grange Celebrates Heritage Day



Camden Grange recently partnered with the Elk Pioneer Days' annual parade and community event by hosting a Heritage Day Open House at the Grange with displays of antique items and "hands on" activities. Photos from early days drew interest as visitors identified old landmarks and marveled at the scope and size of the logging industry that once occupied the town. Guests could also observe hand spinning, shell corn, grind corn meal, and churn butter. Antique quilts were on display as well as old tools and equipment. Community members enjoyed the opportunity to reconnect with one another and share memories and plans are already being made to host another Heritage Day next year!

## Historical Quilts On Display At Mt View Grange



The West Klickitat County Historical Society Quilt Show took place at the Mt View Grange #98 on Friday May 20 & Saturday May 21, 2022. The show brought over 100 visitors, many staying over 2 hours to peruse the quilts and their unique stories. The show featured mid 1800 through 1980 quilts donated to the museum by Klickitat County residents. One of the quilt donors, who is in her nineties, was in attendance. She spoke of how she quilted with her mother and grandmother after putting food on the fire to cook. There were several mother-daughter quilts spanning 3 generations. When a daughter was to be married, the mother and daughter would work on the quilt together and it became a wedding gift. One group of family quilts spanned 3 generations of this warm tradition. There was a display of the types of fabrics used for quilt making during the time period; no synthetic fabrics were used. It was a fascinating peek into our past! "This is just a small portion of our quilt collection" said the museum director. The show will continue next year featuring a different historical time period.

## Stranger Creek/Quillisascut Host Pancake Breakfast



Stranger Creek Grange #374 and Quillisascut Grange #372 held a huckleberry pancake breakfast on July 4 at Stranger Creek. It was well attended by the surrounding communities and people were happy to get together once again. JoAnne Hendricks was surprised with a presentation of a certificate of appreciation for the 20 years she has been secretary and treasurer of Stevens County Fire District #12. She has retired from that position but is still the secretary for Stranger Creek Grange, a position she has held for many years. The Junior Grangers were a huge help clearing tables and restocking dishes. Thanks to all that made this a fun and successful event.

## McLane Grange Donates Hygiene Kits And Quilts To Local Shelter



(Left) Pat Veleke, McLane Grange Master, delivering personal hygiene kits and handmade quilts for our local domestic violence shelter, Safeplace. Grange officers spend the year gathering shampoo, soap, toothbrushes/paste and lotion to compile personal kits for temporary stays in local shelters.

(Right) McLane officers Pat Veleke, Eladice Arnold, Teri Ramsauer and staff of Safeplace, our local domestic violence shelter, pause for a photo with donated handmade quilts. 3 of the lovely quilts were donated by Quilts of Valor member Sherry Santo.

# Convention Memories



5th Degree Officers



Youth Ambassador Abby Hegney



6th Degree Officers

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