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MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

After one of the coolest, wettest, springs I can remember, summer is finally here, and it feels good. All of us involved are preparing for our Washington State Grange Convention next week (June 30th thru July 4). I have received a building repair plan from Jack Husband and a copy of the Island County building permit form from Larry McMaster, whose bid I am awaiting. We will soon be deciding if, how, and when to proceed with our hall structural repairs. This will be addressed at our next executive committee meeting. Our next regular business meeting will be on July 6th at 7: pm, with a social period prior to our meeting. As always, I hope to see you there.

Fraternally Yours,

Master: *Ken Schillinger*

Grange Meeting

Grange meeting will be held on Tuesday July 6th , 2010 at 7:00 P.M. Critters, Island County Fair, Property.

WSG State Convention 2010

It's not too late to do it!

This is the year to attend the convention to really experience our organization at a different level. I highly recommend that even if you don't want to come for any extended time, coming on Wednesday is the thing to do! Get the 6th Degree, experience the Rose Drill and the opening Ceremony. Show up at Meridian High School, 194 W. Laurel Rd. Bellingham , as late as 6:30PM (with 10 dollars) and sign up for the 6th. (If you need the 5th it will start at seven) and the BIG EVENT will start at 7:30pm! Wouldn't it be GREAT if Deer Lagoon had the biggest turnout? Check the Grange news or the website for schedule and come to Bellingham.

WSG Convention Team

We are one of the sponsoring Granges for this convention and help from non-delegates is needed. Runners, drivers, de-thorners, hospitality room help etc. Call Judy, Ken, or Chuck to sign up.

NEEDLEWORK, QUILTS AND SEWING?

We have seven entries.

Did You Take Pictures? We have 14 of the 19 entries that qualified for the State.
PaintING and Crafts. We have 18 entries that qualified for the State.

UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITY

- The 2010 State Convention Committee is issuing a challenge to our Island County Granges. The County with the highest percentage participation in members taking the 6th Degree this year will be awarded \$100 from the Committee.

CRITTER WORKSHOP

This year's Critter Workshop is tentatively planned for August 14th at the Tilth Saturday Farmer's Market. We need a Chairman to organize the event.

ISLAND COUNTY FAIR DISPLAY

Chairperson, Tarey Kay, has big plans for this year's display. Do you remember those big displays at the Evergreen State Fair, well hold onto your hat! Better yet, volunteer to help Tarey put on the best Deer Lagoon Grange Display ever!

ISLAND COUNTY FAIR DEPARTMENTS

Judges for the Fruits and Vegetables sections are needed. We need people to accept the entries as they come in on Tuesday August 17 and set to set up the entry displays. Stewards are needed while the Fair is in session the 19th through the 22nd. Please volunteer your service preferences to Ken Schillinger at this e-mail.