

# NEWSLETTER

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## MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

At this time last year I was griping about the cold; nothing's changed this year. 😊

Things are going well at the hall. We are lucky as the hall rentals have remained constant; a trend that I hope continues. Mark your calendars for January 16th which is when we are having our Centennial Awards Banquet Celebration, and January 23rd which is when Penn Cove Grange will be having their Charter Presentation Ceremony at our hall. In the meantime, try to keep warm.  
Fraternally Yours,

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Master: *Ken Schillinger*

## GRANGE MEETING

*Tuesday, January 5th, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.*

Our next Grange meeting will be held on Tuesday January 5th, 2010 at 7:00 P.M The Resolution Committee is meeting at 6:00 P.M. prior to the business meeting. This is the time to bring your "There ought to be a law" idea.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Skagit County Pomona will be conducting a formal Installation of Officers ceremony at Skagit Valley Grange Sunday January 10th at 2:00PM. This is a great opportunity to witness some of the traditional pageantry of our Order. Congratulations to the newly elected Deer Lagoon Grange Officers for 2010. They are: Master, Ken Schillinger; Overseer, Chuck Prochaska; Lecturer, Bob Cadwallader; Steward, Gary Kay; Assistant Steward, Scott Fredrickson; Lady Assistant Steward, Tarey Kay; Chaplain, Darrell Wenzek; Treasurer, Yvette Cadwallader; Secretary, Roxie Chamuler; Gatekeeper, Judy Prochaska; Ceres, Dorothy McCann; Pomona, Chris Williams; Flora, Meena Prochaska; Family Activity Chairman, Judy Prochaska and Tarey Kay, and Executive Committee 3yr., Gary Kay.

## SPECIAL EVENT , JAN 16TH

Our *Centennial and Service Awards Dinner* is coming Saturday January 16th at NOON. Everyone should have received your formal invitation by now. Please do remember to send the stamped RVSP card with the number from your family that will be attending. (We need to plan seating and the meal!). The Program will be in three parts.

We will be HONORING several of our long time members: Jean Farnen, 60 Years; James Keyes, Gerald Bell, and Dr. R.O. Elis will receive their Golden Sheaf Award (50 yrs); Florence Morrison, Tom

Talbot, Melvin Ogden, and James Ogden will receive their "40 Year"" seals; Ken Schillinger, Chuck Prochaska, and Robert Linehan (deceased) will be honored with their Silver Star Certificate (25 yrs).

We will recognize Nancy Nordhoff for her contributions to Deer Lagoon Grange. And we will have a presentation on "100 years of Grange on South Whidbey".

## **GRANGE and TILTH**

DLG and SWT are co-sponsoring "2010 Food Gardening, the organic way". This Course, consisting of eight classes will be conducted in February and March. The course will make your gardening efforts a big success. Grange or Tilth members will be charged half price. Watch for more detail in the South Whidbey Record and on our website.

## **FOOD : Back to Basics**

For the Winter sessions we are planning on the following topics:-

- Salmon as food; Dave Anderson
- Goats and dairy products; Vickie Brown
- Chickens, small scale eggs and broilers; Stinger Anderson
- Cooking from the Pantry
- Healthy meals within your budget; Roberta Hacking.

If you have ideas for speakers or topics please let me know. There will be more sessions in the spring, and then we stop.

For comments and questions e-mail here.

## **GRANGE STUDY GROUP**

Ken Schillinger is leading this event, the next meeting will be Monday January 18th at 5:00PM.

## **PUBLIC ACCESS TO P/Cs**

Bob and Yvette need volunteer help to support our new schedule for "Public Access" to our computers. They will be "open to the public" on Mondays Noon to 3PM and Thursdays 1PM to 4PM. Call Bob at 678-5939 to schedule your time to help