<u>Deer Lagoon Meeting, Tuesday,</u> <u>June 4th, 2013</u>

Please come and enjoy our Potluck at 5:30PM on Tuesday June 4th.

<u>Please note this is an early meeting!</u>

Environmental Rain Garden

Work on the rain gardens is starting Wednesday May 29th. If this newsletter is too late for you to help, I'm sure that the whole project will not be complete this Wednesday. To volunteer for future effort to finish the garden, the plantings, the wildlife refuge call Chris Williams, 321-4027.

Junior Grange!!

We are having an open "Junior Grange Information Meeting" at 7PM on June 3 at the hall. Flyers went to all elementary and junior high students who live on South Whidbey between the ages of 5 and 14 inclusive. Scott Hackett from Haynie Grange, of Whatcom County will talk about the creation of their Junior Grange just a year ago. When we have 14 signed applications with one year's dues, we will submit our request to the National Grange for re-Chartering Deer Lagoon Junior Grange #344.

NEWS FLASH

<u>First Place</u>-Hall Improvement Contest

<u>Top Four</u>-Community Service Contest

Planning Meeting May 21

At this Open Planning event the group reached consensus on the following ideas:

- 1. We need to have purely social events like a picnic or dinner.
- 2. We think that we should continue with the, open to friends, pot-luck prior to business meetings.
- 3. We want to foster collaboration with other groups when it is beneficial to all involved.
- 4. We need to survey our membership to learn how they want to help *their* Grange.

Progress on Our Hall

We have much to do and very much need donations to help get it done! New Countertops, Ray Green, Rotary Club and Gary Kay have half of the counter tops finished. We need to rebuild the kitchen sink support structure and re-plum the water and drain lines for the sinks. This work will restart the week of June 3.

New Furnace, the new furnace is installed and the ducting is sealed and

insulated. Thank you Barron's Heating. We have a year old 290 gal. oil tank for sale. Call Ken Schillinger, 341-2092, if you know someone who might want to purchase it.

Grange Competetion Results

Congratulations to those who are taking their work on to the State Level Competition later in June. Fifty entries will be representing Island County. Members; Rhonda and Terry Permenter, Gary and Tarey Kay and Molly, Chris Williams, Chuck Prochaska, Kristi Johansen and Fran Hagen all had successful entries. Pat Major, South Camano and Robert Cadwallader, Penn Cove also qualified. Seven non-member adults and two children sponsored by Deer Lagoon also qualified; Cathi Onan-Bower, Flora Bratt, Shirley Lacey, Gerrielynn Martin, Martha Martin, John Norris and his two children, Emmalee and Kassidy, and Patricia Prochaska.

Grange Food Basics

Our next event is our *June 10, 3-7pm* "*Food Storage Event*". Dry canning will be the lead activity followed by the Extreme Canning discussion group.

MASTER'S MESSAGE:

Dear Brothers & Sisters: For the last two years we were starting to enjoy some warm weather by now, a trend I'd like to see continue again this year; too bad it isn't happening. One thing is continuing to happen, and that's that several members of DLG #486 continue to strive for greatness. Our educational, community service and regular Grange programs are being tended to with diligence. Our hall improvement program has taken honors with the State Grange, our Rain Gardens should be in place by the time this newsletter is published and we are well on our way to being ready for our part in the Island County Area Fair. Simply put; we have an awesome group, of which I am happy to be associated. Way to go! Our next regular business Meeting

our next regular business Meeting will be held on June 4th, after our potluck which starts at 5:30. The Meeting starts at 7: pm. Please try to arrive a bit early so we can set up the hall, and start on time... <u>I hope</u> to see everyone there.

Fraternally Yours,

Master: Ken Schillinger

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