

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

- 2nd Mica Flats Business Meeting at 7 p.m.
- 4th Kuna Business Meeting at 10 a.m.
- Kuna Game Night 6:30 p.m. 4th
- 11th Mica Flats Pinochle Games at 7 p.m.
- Nampa Valley Lunch at Noon. Meeting will follow with a 17th Happy Birthday 97 years program
- 17th Kuna Business Meeting 7 p.m.
- Treasure Valley Pomona meeting at Nampa Valley Grange 18th (will be our Taste of Home lunch)
- 18th Kuna Game Night 6:30 p.m.
- 18th Mica Flats Social Meeting: is Birthright "Baby Shower" at 1 p.m.
- 25th Mica Flats Square Dance (last of series) from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.

APRIL

- 6th Mica Flats Business Meeting at 7 p.m.
- 7th Nampa Valley Lunch at Noon. Meeting will follow with a potluck program
- 8th Kuna Business Meeting 1 0 a.m.
- 8th Kuna Game Night 6:30 p.m.
- Mica Flats Pinochle Games at 7 p.m. 8th
- Mica Flats Legislative Program at 7 p.m. 21st
- Nampa Valley Lunch at Noon. Meeting will follow with a 21st surprise program
- Kuna Business Meeting 10 a.m. Celebrate April Grange Month **22nd**
- 22nd Kuna Game Night 6:30 p.m.
- 23rd Treasure Valley Pomona Master/Lecturer/CFA meeting at Lida Little's home
- MAY
- 4th Mica Flats Business Meeting at 7 p.m.
- Nampa Valley Lunch at Noon. Meeting will follow with a 5th Mother's Day program
- 6th Kuna Business Meeting 10 a.m.
- 19th Nampa Valley Lunch at Noon. Meeting will follow with a Memorial Day program
- **20th** Treasure Valley Pomona meeting at Alpha Grange at noon
- **20th** Mica Flats Grange and Grounds "Clean-Up Day" All Day

JUNE

- 3rd Kuna Business Meeting 10 a.m.
- Nampa Valley Lunch at Noon. Meeting will follow with a 16th program on Flag Day and Father's Day



2017 Idaho State Grange

IDAHO STATE GRANGE DAY AT THE CAPITOL



Grange Day at the Capitol. State Master, Harold Eshelman & other Grangers helping.

Quilts of Valor for Grange Veterans

GRANGE POMONA

I have been asked, "What is Quilts of Valor?" It is a group of dedicated quilters whose goal is to award our Veterans with a patriotic quilt -- thanking them for their sacrifices!

I have enjoyed speaking with many of you in January -- asking you, if your grange has veterans that could receive a 'quilt of valor". I can help you with signing them up. Or you can go to govf.org and sign them up yourself.

BY BONNIE MITSON, IDAHO STATE pictures! Your Grange article might get in the "New Good Day" Magazine.

> If you would like your Grange's Veteran's Quilt(s) to be awarded at the National Convention this November, please let me know so I can get them on the list along with Grange Veterans from other states that are participating. Make sure your Veteran can attend.

> If you (a grange veteran) have already received your Quilt, would you like it to be included in the Grange Memorial Wall display which will be viewed by the public on Nov. 10 - 12, 2017, at the Centerplace Event Center in Spokane? Please call me for details. We can do this. This is in conjunction with our National Convention in Spokane, WA. and don't worry ... Your Quilt will be returned to you after the convention!

April is Grange Month

Now is the time to be planning your Grange Month activities and celebrations. You want to make the extra effort to invite the community into your hall. Granges throughout the country will be opening their doors to the public for family-oriented events focused on the contributions of the Grange in their communities. Take this opportunity to honor your Community Recognition Award recipients.

You can also make arrangements with your local Mayor and City Council or County Commissioners to declare April Grange Month. Remember to share both your plans and the outcome with your local media, and on the ISG website calendar. If your Grange has a Facebook Page, you can also add it there.

Once you have signed up by requesting a quilt, your area Quilts of Valor Director will be calling you to arrange a presentation time. You can have a presentation at your grange, or where-ever the director is having an award ceremony, or they can simply visit your home. Just speak with the area director, and they will work with you.

National Grange has asked you to open your Grange doors and be part of this Q-of-V program. National Grange has asked you to write or email them, letting them know how you, in your Grange have honored your Veterans. Send them

Thank you all for participating in this great, patriotic endeavor!!!

Bonnie Mitson Quilts of Valor member Idaho State Grange Pomona phone: 208-765-0432 email: mitsonb6@gmail.com

Quilts Awarded (as of February 2017)	Quilts Requested (as of February 2017)
Don Billmire	Harold Eshelman
Joe Axtell	Duane Sorenson
Rick Seward	Warren Eilers
	William Turner

Please help me keep this list current! If you know of a name that should be on this list, contact me ASAP.

MASTER'S ADDRESS

- Harold Eshelman

I hope all is well with everyone, because this has been quite a winter for us in Meridian. Haven't seen this much snow in years and then to have it hang on for so long is nearly unprecedented. I remember 1948-49 was bad for a few days and we didn't have to go to school for 2 whole days, wow, no school for 2 whole days!! The snow was so deep the buses couldn't go. Then again about 1986 we had a good amount of snow. I flew in from Seattle and landed in Boise with 14" of snow on the ground and more coming.

In any case, we all know about how the election turned out and now we sit and wonder what is coming, but one thing is pretty certain and that being changes to our current health care Affordable Care Act (Obama care). I don't know about you, but my wife and I had to split our medical companies providers, because our doctors belonged to separate organizations could not medication has been going up at a steady pace, I am paying more at the doctors office. Now having said that I wonder what is down the road for medication, Doctor visits and other medical costs we need to be concerned with. We all want as much coverage as possible while at the same time costing us as little as possible.

Hi Everybody!

blue sky.

As I am writing this article, I am

looking out the window where I can

see the snow on the ground; but blue

skies with a cloud here and there and

beautiful sunshine. I can certainly be

grateful for the sunshine, clouds and

Looking out the same window ---

my husband would see a log truck

going down the street, a vehicle not

in the correct lane to make the turn

he/she is signaling to do and snow

etc However, in keeping with a

for the farmers; and the little ones

that have a good time playing in it

ones enjoy skiing, snowboarding,

and building a snowman. The older

sled riding and a peaceful, maybe a

little bumpy, ride on a snowmobile

overlooking the snow-covered hills.

winter sports, and those who repair

automobiles from cold weather and unfortunately crashes. Our Medical

and Fire Fighters are working many

long hours due to weather related

accidents. We are very appreciative

of their dedication and efforts. For

"wherever it is we happened to fall";

the snow provides, we need to take a

couple minutes to thank God for his

blessings. Soon we will be watching

the tulips poke their heads through

flower gardens as God wakes them

the dirt and provide color to our

however, because of the good that

the rest of us, it is a pain in the

Personnel and Emergency Room

Physicians; Police Departments

This weather is also good for those who earn their income from

piled too high on the side of the road

obstructing your view of the crossroad

positive attitude ---- the snow is good

Our National Grange Legislative Director, Burton Eller has some comments regarding this topic. As well as the National Grange analysis of what we can expect coming down the road at us.

I would appreciate any input or comments you may have, not that I by myself can make a difference, but as a body we might make a louder noise and get some attention.

Fraternally, Harold Eshelman, State Master Idaho State Grange

JUNIOR DIRECTOR

It is time, this year! A revival is at hand! Growing the Grange as a whole begins with attracting new members. One of the most important steps is to include children in this effort, for they become adults all too soon. Every Grange in Idaho is in need of new members. We need to make our number one priority attracting families in our communities to the Grange family.

By the end of this year it our goal is to have three Junior Granges up and running, Your Grange has nothing to lose and everything to gain by sponsoring and supporting a Junior Grange. We have put together three Junior Grange kits containing materials to get you started.

-LanaMarie Bear

Who can be a Junior Grange member? Children ages 5 to 14 years of age whose parents or grandparents are Grange members.

If the Grange in Idaho is to survive there must be a new generation to carry on as we graduate to the Great Grange Beyond. So let's get started Grangers! The future of our Granges is in our hands and daylight is burning.

Take a few minutes get on the computer go to the National Grange site and click on Junior Grange check out the fantastic program for our youth.

STATE CHAPLAIN

- Pat Glassinger

up after a long winter; along with the trees budding, grass growing and eventually vegetables appearing in our gardens. I'm looking forward to just seeing pavement in the neighborhoods.

When we are at our Grange meetings striving to get everyone on the same page, try to remember that all of us do not see the same picture you do. Take some time to try to understand what it is they see. It may be different from your view; but it may be just as right as what you saw. Your solution would be -----you are all looking out the same window -----you are just seeing it from different angles. Yes, you are on the same page; some just forgot to turn it over. Now you can discuss the situation in a calm, peaceful manner and come to a successful conclusion. In the process, you have learned a little more about each other that may not have been possible earlier. When refreshments are served after the meeting has concluded, you will be eager to find out more about the new friends you didn't realize you had before. You will have a friendlier atmosphere and discover everybody was receptive to the pleasant conversation. Congratulations for a job well done.

When you have a few extra minutes and would like to look a little deeper into this; I think a good bible verse would be John Chapter 15. Jesus teaches about the vine and the branches.

Thank you

Pat Glassinger, Chaplain Idaho State Grange

Community Service

- Martha Cook

An essential function for your Grange: Helping within your community!!

Membership Corner

- Ken & Linda Thruston

I did something positive for the Grange this month. I wrote a check for my dues. The amount is small compared with the benefits, nearly all of which are local--dances, card parties, church meetings, other social events, meeting your politicians, and on and on. If you want to make a further financial contribution, I am sure your treasurer can accommodate you. :)

Please forgive this short message. I just had carpel tunnel surgery, and can only type with one finger, well below my preferred rate of 4,800 words per day. My doctor doesn't even allow a single page during recovery, but let's keep this our secret.

Up here in the north end of the state we seem to be holding our own. I am not allowed to drive right now, but feel free to write to me in care of the state.

Northern California just suffered a devastating flood situation. We lived in that area for 33 years, and know a lot of Grangers there who were affected. Please keep them in your prayers. VOLUNTEER HOURS: How many hours do your members volunteer for community and the public? Please continue to chart the hours your members are spending helping (with no compensation) within their extended families, their churches, their communities, driving neighbors to appointments, tutoring school children, assisting at Food Banks, cemetery or road clean-up, etc.

DOES YOUR GRANGE have a "Community Service Chairperson"? This member can record those hours monthly on a clipboard you pass around at meetings, or on a chart on the grange bulletin board, or request this count by email or phone so that you can report to Idaho State Grange at the end of August. Your option: compile a notebook with dates and photos that you can display at our State Grange session in October.

APRIL: "GRANGE MONTH"-a wonderful time for your grange to hold an "event" or special dinner-what better time for you to showcase a fireman, teacher, or policeman in your community. When your group shows support and thanks in this public way, you really can "Make Their Day" in a very public way.

(Contact me at nazaramanor@aol.com for more information.)



Lecturer's News

- Colleen Foster

Dear Grangers,

Time is passing so quickly even though the snow seems to be hanging around much longer than normal. We are gearing up for another great year. I look forward to seeing many of the talents of our grange members shared in lecture programs and in items you plan on sharing with us in our lecture contests. Remember taking photos, reading book and creating art is a great way to express yourself and share what makes life special to you.

A reminder that if you got an item for Christmas that is precious to you but not so precious that you could not re-gift it, then it maybe an item just right for our silent auction this next fall at state session. As you begin spring cleaning for the items you don't want the auction is a great place to give it new life and love.

I hope we as fellow Grangers have shared some good memories in experiences over the holidays with the fellowship of celebrations, meetings, dances and card parties. I hope that we are all checking on each other and making sure are members are safe and warm and if they need a helping hand we are offering that up to our neighbors and Grangers.

I look forward to trying to help you get ready for this year ahead. I will be sending out my Lecturers packet to the Grange Lecturers by the end of March so be looking for it. Let me know if I miss anything in it that you feel you may need to help you serve your Granges better. For those of you that have the internet check out the national resources and programs that are available. Another great resource is to reach out to other lectures in other states and get ideas from them. Across the nation is a wealth of knowledge and experience to tap into to grow our Grange.

I am looking for ideas for new or to change up our contests. I would like to hear your suggestions to tap into areas I may not have thought of. I look forward to your input.

I wanted to pass on the news that Christine Hamp, who was serving as National Lady Assistant Steward, was elected at National Grange Convention to the remaining one-year term of the Lecturer's office. Hamp announced in a letter to delegates that she is "honored to be your new National Grange Lecturer and ... excited to get to work." She plans to announce programming changes or additions. As those new programs and changes are shared with us here at the state level we will be passing them on to our members.

Thanks again to all of you for the hard work and dedication you have for this great organization. Until next time stay safe and know that we love our Grange members across the state.

Fraternally, **Colleen Foster**



FAMILY HEALTH: Your Challenge ... Think Spring ... Specifically, think spring cleaning. First, spend one half hour vacuuming furniture and in all the nooks and crannies that don't usually get it, and you'll burn about 85 calories. Next, spend another half hour scrubbing your floors on your hands and knees and lop off another 189 calories. Here are some more ideas: give every surface on your house a good dusting - 80 calories. Alternate between upstairs and downstairs chores, adding in a few stair climbs to your routine: 306 calories. Scrub up those windows and mirrors : 153 calories.

Did you know for stomach indigestion put one-half teaspoon of baking soda into one-half cup of water then drink for an effective antacid. Did you know that if accidentally splattered with grease in the kitchen grab the vanilla extract for quick relief. The evaporation of the alcohol in the extract cools the burn.

Boost immunity with wise choices: drink plenty of fluids; get enough rest; control stress; avoid close contact with people who are sick; and place a second hand towel in the bathroom for healthy family members to use.

DEAF AWARENESS: The Idaho State Grange received a Thank You letter from the Idaho School for the

Family Health & **Deaf Awareness**

- Lily Sorenson

Deaf and the Blind. The following is a portion of the Thank You:

"Dear Idaho State Grange Members: Thank you for the generous donation of \$625.00 for Library materials for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Students. We are very appreciative of your support for the Idaho School for the deaf and the Blind. Reading and literacy skills are essential for success in school and beyond. Your donation will allow our Librarians to purchase books, DVD's, and sign language materials to increase our Deaf/Hard of Hearing students' literacy skills, aiding them and encouraging them to become more proficient in their reading, writing, and critical thinking abilities. Thank you again for your generous gift to our school! Sincerely, Bonnie J. Marshall CPA, Director of Finance."

As you can see, our donations help the school. Now is the time to plan ahead to donate to the School. A donation was just received from Maple Grove Grange #244.

Thank you!

Your hearing health has a direct effect on your overall health. Research shows that hearing health is related to daily functions like memory, heart function, blood health, and your emotional wellbeing.

Stay well and protect your hearing.



MOIR'S MUSINGS

- Gordon Moir

As the years have gone by I have often wondered what Mom or Dad would have said about this or that. Events small or large that could have caused a smile, a comment of praise or a few words of caution if they had been here to experience whatever it was that happened.

As a boy and young adult I had the great opportunity to walk with Grandfather down the lane to the mail box and back. He told me many stories of life in the old country (Scotland), the trip across the ocean, and the passage through Ellis Island. The train trip from New York to Idaho was a big under-taking for them in the spring of 1923. My parents also spoke of their lives before marriage and my childhood.

You cannot do a kindness too soon because you never know how soon it will be too late. Someday Is not a day of the week.

So, having the advantage of being the eldest grandchild of our family on both sides I thought it would be good to write down my memoirs. I started about four years ago on my Dad's side with lots of pages done and haven't got the buggers out of Scotland yet.

I just think that with a little bit of thought and pen in hand some things that are only in our memories should be put on a record of some kind for the people who come after us and can learn of the past.

Moving? Let Us Know

It is appreciated to keep addresses updated as it helps on returned postage OLD Address (Or attached label from paper)

 New Address
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 Your Name
 I

 Grange Name/No.
 I

Please mail to: Idaho Grange News P.O. Box 367 | Meridian, ID 83680-0367 _____

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LEGISLATIVE "Bits and Pieces"

- Don Johnson

Our Idaho State Legislative Session is in full "go mode". This year is not unique from previous gathering of our elected officials being present in Boise. We have chosen these individuals to conduct the business of our State for the next two years.

Governor C. L. "Butch" Otter has given his State of the State at the joint session to give his road map of goal setting for the next fiscal year, and beyond. The Joint Appropriation and Finance Committee (JAFC) now must set the budget and get this approved by the Senate and House, thus sending the bills to the "Gentleman on the Second Floor" for his approval or rejection.

The first bill to be approved by both Chambers of the Legislative Session was endorsing the citizen's vote on HJR 5. This is part of the authority given to our Legislators to review "rules" of different agencies as temporary rules, method of how to do business as approved or rejected by the Legislature.

There have been a few distractions in the House of Representatives doing business as usual. Speaker Bedke had to rule against one member of the House for inappropriate comments to other members. The discipline action has since been reversed by apologies given to the Speaker and other House members.

The silent demonstrators advocating for "Add the Words" have been circling the rotunda with their signs to get attention from Legislators. This procession has been very persistent.

One of the more controversial for Agriculture operations is H 76. (now revised) This bill addresses that local government shall comply with immigration law and policy, regarding immigration enforcement.

In 2016, University of Idaho projections show Idaho agriculture accounted for \$7.169 billion in cash receipts. This is attributed to the gross receipts of livestock and dairy being the largest revenue sources.

The economy in our State is highly dependent on agriculture production and other sectors related to agriculture. Will this bill H 76 scare our workers away?

There is also legislation being introduced (SB 1052) that will amend Idaho Code 63 and various sections to remove the dved fuels exemption from the motor fuel tax. There is a system in place for off road users of diesel fuel to apply for a refund as frequently as monthly, and no longer than annually. This will also increase the paper work of the off road user to apply for the refund.

However, this legislation will also eliminate the enforcement issue experienced since the exemption was added.

We, in agriculture and other related businesses that use the offroad exemption now in place, must decide what our preferences are. Let our Senators know our wishes now!

Enjoy your cheap Food!

Mary Graham Scholarship

Applications Due April 1st

Any Grange Member or Non-M available from State Grange Off \$250.00 will be awarded in 201	fice or web-site and are due Ap	ege in Idaho. Applications are	<u>SCHOOL</u> : (High School, College, etc.)
Due Date: Application must l	be received at the State Gran	ge Office by April 1, 2017.	
Mail To: Idaho State Grange	, PO Box 367, Meridian, ID 8	3680-0367	
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YOUTH DIRECTOR

- Clyde Mooney

As the next wave of snow and cold rolls in (along with thunder it seems) I think about Spring, and how nice it will be when it arrives. Or at least how much warmer it will be. But another thing to be thinking about is upcoming events and preparing for them. Having been involved in 4-H and Grange Youth competitions, there have been times that I have rushed projects at the last minute, and times that I have started working on things earlier.

To help do things earlier, I wanted to bring up several competitions/ awards that are given out by the National Grange youth Department:

Oliver Hudson Kelley Public Speaking Award

William Saunders Award

John Trimble Legislative Award John Thompson Award

Caroline A. Hall Award

... and there are many more than that. Apart from these awards being named after founding members of the Grange, each has its own rules and criteria as to what the award is about. Each of these and the other Youth

Grange competitions are online at Nationalgrangeyouth.org under the "Achievement Awards" Tab near the top of the screen. If you haven't had a chance to check out the National Youth Grange Page, or the National Grange website itself, take this time to do so and see if you can learn more about our great organization.

These competitions are not only ways of bringing acclaim to your own Grange, but they are also ways to challenge and improve yourself as well. It is said that if we don't face a challenge, we never become stronger. I strongly urge all youth (and all Grangers) to attend National convention when it is nearby like this. But if this is your only time attending National, then I also support partaking in some of these competitions; it will be an opportunity that not only doesn't come around often, but will enrich the experience.

To all, good luck surviving the cold and ice.

Fraternally, Clyde Mooney Youth Chairman



Idaho Ag Notes

- Gordon Moir

The topic of discussion all over the state has been the cold, snow and rain. Our state has had its share of winter this season.

I have heard of the big numbers of onion and apple shed collapsing from the weight of the heavy snows the rain besides. Our son-in-law, Joe, built a lean-to shed on the north side of their barn that came down on a tractor under it and a fence next. He had a hard time with a shovel to get the snow off. They live just on the east side of Nampa, near the old slaughter house on Amity Road.

Back to snow. We had snow 2 feet deep on our deck blown off the south west side of the roof. Our build specs are much different. Some areas have had some flooding basements and road closures. Jackson Hole was isolated with Teton Pass snow bound and Hoback south of Wilson closed due to avalanches. The only way in was from the east, the Casper direction. Anyway I am sure that there are lots more stories out there.

I'll bet the insurance companies have their feet set for claims to com

DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING ARTICLES FOR THE IDAHO STATE GRANGE NEWS

February 1st - Spring (March-May Issue)

August 1st - Fall (September-November Issue)

May 1st - Summer (June-August Issue)

November 1 - Winter (December-February Issue)

Speaking of which, the slaughter house south of Boise and east of Kuna is about set to open. I heard March.

Gordon

IN MEMORIAM

Bill Sherbine	Upper Big Wood River #192
Viola Anglin	Lemhi Community #404
Margaret Weller (60-Year Member)	Mica Flats #436

WELCOME TO THE GRANGE

David & Krissy Stoker	Portneuf #229
Donald Shafer	Maple Grove #244
Gary, Jackie, Brian &Denise Domke	Edgemere #355
Steve Bravo	Alpha #368
Mary & Dell Still	Mica Flats #436



Family Activities

- Eileen Javaux, CFA

Hello Grangers,

Think Spring! Oh my, what a winter we have had. Work keeps me very busy and I thought since we have Bundt Cakes as a baking contest entry I would have my new article about bundt cakes. I am working on getting information about the contest out to all the Family Activities Chairmen. My Spring Break goal is to have a letter out to everyone.

Please encourage members to be thinking about entering the contest now so they have time to get Needlework and the Craft projects done by State Grange in October.

The birth story of the bundt pan all started with some members of a Jewish women's group called Hadassah who were looking for an alternative to expensive imported kugelhopf molds. Nowadays it's not hard to find inexpensive metal kugelhopf pans, but they're traditionally made in Europe from heavy, fragile terra cotta, and in the 1950s they were extremely hard to come by here in the states. Some members of the group approached a young inventor named H. David Dalquist who had recently formed a cookware company called Nordic Ware. They commissioned him to make a lighter, cheaper version of the pans they used to use in the old country. One of the ladies had a traditional mold they lent him as a prototype and he crafted a similarly shaped pan out of lightweight aluminum. Originally he called it a "Bund" pan, based on a German word that loosely translates to, "a gathering of people". He later added the "t", making it "bundt", to avoid confusion with a controversial German-American social club. Nordic Ware and their pans were moderately popular throughout the 50s with Hadassah members, but the bundt pan didn't really take off and become the ubiquitous phenomenon we know them to be today until the late 1960s. In 1966 a woman from Texas won the Pillsbury Bake-Off with a recipe she called the "Tunnel of Fudge" that called for Nordic Ware's patented pan. After that every housewife in America had to have a new bundt pan in their cupboard. (https://brooklynhomemaker. com/tag/bundt-cake-history/)

Tunnel of Fudge Cake Recipe

(http://www.cooksinfo.com/tunnel-of-fudge-cake)

For the cake:

- 1 3/4 cups white sugar
- 1 3/4 cups margarine or softened butter
- 6 eggs
- 2 cups icing sugar
- 2 1/4 cups All Purpose or Unbleached Flour
- 3/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2 cups chopped walnuts

For the glaze:

3/4 cup icing sugar1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder4 to 6 teaspoons milk

Start heating oven to 350 F Grease and flour a 12-cup fluted tube cake pan or a 10-inch (25 cm) tube pan. Set aside. In a large bowl, beat the butter and sugar until fluffy. Add eggs one at a time and beat after each one. Add the 2 cups of icing sugar a little at a time, beating after each addition.

Stir in flour (if you have been using an electric beater, switch to hand for this) and all remaining ingredients in the cake section. Pour or spoon batter into the prepared cake pan and smooth it out. Pop into oven and bake until edges start to pull away from the pan and the top is set. Don't go by standard tests such as a dry toothpick test; they won't work with this cake. The cake should be done in 45 to 50 minutes. Remove cake from oven, leave in pan, and set on wire rack to cool 1 1/2 hours, then invert onto a plate and let cool a further 2 hours.

BONNER-BOUNDARY COUNTY

The Edgemere Grange held their annual Christmas dinner on Sunday, December 18th. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the Grange by bringing food to share, and by purchasing tickets for our Chinese raffle! \$200 was raised to help us! THANK YOU! And a special thanks to those who donated raffle items: Ben Franklin in Oldtown, Ponderay Wal Mart, Oldtown Shopko, Selkirk Ace, Dave and Paula Wilson, Chelsea Earls, Randee Pound and Robin Gray.



Edgemere Grange Christmas Dinner





PAPER BY E-MAIL?

If you would prefer to receiving your GRANGE NEWS in your E-MAIL and NOT by regular mail contact the STATE GRANGE OFFICE to be added to the news e-mail list & a final, proofed version will be e-mailed to you

Now, mix all the glaze ingredients. You want the glaze to be runny enough to drizzle, so add a bit more milk if you have to. Drizzle over top, and let some run down the sides of the cake.

This would be a good cake to take to a Grange meeting. Enjoy.

Eileen Javaux

Family Activities Director

WEBSITE INFORMATION

Idaho State Grange Website: www.grange.org/idahostategrange Facebook: www.facebook.com/idahostategrange National Grange Website: www.nationalgrange.org Idaho State Grange E-Mail: idahostategrange@qwestoffice.net

FREEMAN LAKE GRANGE

The Property, formerly known as Freeman Lake Grange, located in Bonner County, will soon be under a contract with a realtor. This property is located in a peaceful valley near mountains on one acre of ground. For more information call the Idaho State Grange office.

GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION (Seattle, Washington)

NOTICE OF 2017 ANNUAL POLICYHOLDERS' MEETING

The Annual Policyholders' meeting of the Grange Insurance Association will be held on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Grange Insurance Association, 200 Cedar Street, Seattle, Washington 98121.

All Grange Insurance Association policyholders are welcome to attend.

Signed at Seattle, Washington this 22nd day of September 2016.

Rodney A. King, CIC, AFIS Corporate Secretary GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

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KOOTENAI COUNTY

MICA FLATS #436

Mica Flats welcomed Travis and Vicki Cook as new members in September a Our monthly square dances continue to be well-attended. Thanks to Teresa Golden, dance chair, and her helpers, we provide an evening of old-fashioned squares, schottisches, polkas, round dances, etc., to old-time music provided by a live band.

Pinochle games are at 7, every second Saturday of the month.

DEC. 16: Our local 4-H club, "Jolly Workers of Mica" put on another great holiday program for us, complete with Santa's visit.

Our scholarship committee awarded the BIG one-time scholarship of \$25,000 to Cody Jahns to use toward his educational goal of a degree in nursing. Congratulations to Cody! Scholarship from Post Falls Chamber of Commerce was won in a raffle by granger Sherry Mundt, and gifted to Mica Flats Grange to give out in scholarship aid.

NOV: Our social program was a Thanksgiving dinner, followed by a program on veterans by Lee Northrop and Mary Mitson.

JAN: the social program featured Dr. Diana Johns with a very interesting program about vaccines, their use and history.

FEB. 17, Membership Dinner, to honor many levels of member longevity – be sure to join us for this "table by table" potluck arrangement – meet old friends and our newer members!

APRIL 21: Legislative night as our social program.

MARCH program will be moved to Saturday, March 18 - 1 p.m. Join us for a "Baby Shower" for the Birthright program - Maryellen, our chair of Community Service, asks our members for donations of baby items for this program: new-born diapers, sleepers, tee shirts, baby towels, 0-12 month onesies, etc.

MAY: our social meeting will be a Saturday, May 20th, "Campus Clean-up Day". We welcome your skills, support and any time you can give us that day.

NOV. 2017: be sure you are ready to take your Seventh Degree in Grange, this November, when National Grange holds its 150th session in Spokane!! Preparation includes your taking the Fifth Degree (see Oscar or Jeannie), then the Sixth Degree when Idaho State Grange meets in Coeur d'Alene in mid-October.

HARRISON #422

Harrison Grange will hold its 75th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, May 6 with a Potluck starting at 1:00 and a program to follow.

The Grange was organized by L.E. Kegley on April 25, 1942. We decided that to have better weather for traveling and to avoid some other events in town that May date would be best. Everyone is Welcome!

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TREASURE VALLEY POMONA

November 19th was our regular business meeting at Nampa Valley Grange. We also enjoyed our annual holiday auction.

On January 14th the regular Master/Lecturer/Family Activities meeting was cancelled due to weather. We had our annual Grange Day at the Capitol on January 16th. Our regular business meeting was to be held on January 21st but was cancelled due to weather and postponed to February 18th at Kuna Grange.

KUNA#59

Our Grange gave food baskets to two families at Christmas time. We also donate food to the Kuna Food Bank as part of our Community Service projects.

Kuna Grange, accompanied by businesses and individuals, has completed the delivery of close to 500 Dictionaries (Words for Thirds) to the Third Grange students in the Kuna School District and Falcon Ridge Charter School for this year. We have been doing the Words for Thirds Dictionary Project for thirteen years. Kuna Grange wishes to thank these contributors who helped with the Dictionary Project. The students are very excited to have a Dictionary of their very own.



Kuna Grange delivering dictonaries for "Words for Thirds"

Some of our Grange members helped with the Grange Day at the Capitol. It is always good to visit with our Legislators.

Kuna Grange also recently hosted the FFA Public Speaking Contest for Kuna and Meridian FFA groups. This contest is divided into two divisions - Prepared Speech and Extemporaneous Speech.

Due to the snow this year, we have had to cancel some of our meetings. We are looking forward to celebrating April is Grange Month. We are beginning our Game Nights again since the snow has gone away.

NAMPA VALLEY#131

Due to the winter weather that we've had, our last meeting was the first Friday in December. Some members couldn't get out and our parking lot was snowed in. We hope to make up for lost time when spring comes.

We donated to the Adopt-A-Senior Program and the Salvation Army Red Kettle. Our members volunteered to ring the bells for the Salvation Army in December. We had two non-members helping. We took in \$404.17 for the Salvation Army. Two of our members volunteered at the Grange Day at the Capitol. We donated canned food to the Lighthouse Rescue Mission in Nampa. Our programs have been on daylight savings time, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Some of our members attended Pleasant Ridge's Holiday Dinner and the New Year's Eve Day Event.

Until next time. Have a Nice Spring.

PLEASANT RIDGE #135

Our regular business meeting was held on November 7th. On November 19th we attended the Pomona meeting and enjoyed our annual holiday auction.

On December 5th we enjoyed our annual holiday dinner and on December 31st we enjoyed our annual Pinochle/UNO party. We appreciated those from other Granges who joined us for these two events.

On January 16th we attended Grange Day at the Capitol. We held our regular business meeting on February 5th along with our annual Ground Hog dinner.

MAPLE GROVE #244 -Pat Glassinger

Maple Grove Grange's year, unfortunately, started off with the death of a very prominent member, Merle Hansen, in January. Merle joined Maple Grove Grange on February 9, 1951-sixty-six years ago.

All of us have special memories of Merle and he will forever remain our Grange's role model. We will always remember his friendly, understanding smile and upbeat welcome at each of our meetings. He enjoyed all members, young or old and he has encouraged every one of us many times as we grew in our Grange knowledge and continued our membership. Many of us have been promoted to an Office in the Grange and we knew, without a doubt, that he was proud of each of our accomplishments. He was very supportive in anything we wanted to try especially as far as leadership was concerned. You could always look to Merle for guidance. He will continue to guide us as our Overseer in heaven.

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We would like to welcome two new members to our Grange: Leslie Harris who joined us on September 9th, 2016 from Meridian and Don Shaffer who joined us on November 11th, 2016 from Boise. We extend a very cordial welcome to each of them.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact any of us for further information. We look forward to joining you in understanding and enjoying your membership. We are a welcoming and friendly organization eager to assist you. The Grange is like anything else. You get out of it as much as you put into it.

We are looking forward to spring time and planning our gardens so we will be ready once this snow goes away.

Maple Grove is proud to host the Legislative Dinner at our Grange Hall on Monday, March 6th, 2017 at 6:00pm. This will give you a great opportunity to meet and greet your Idaho Legislators. **PLEASE RSVP TO IDAHO STATE GRANGE 888-4495 OR JACQUIE ESHELMAN 377-4771 BY FEBRUARY 15, 2017.** We need an accurate count for the dinner. **THANK YOU.**

Our new Overseer, Don Shaffer will be installed at our February 10th meeting. Congratulations, Don. We know you will do a great job.

April is Grange Month and we are looking forward to special Grange activities which are in the process of being planned.

We will be honoring our Mothers during the month of May and will also be having a special Memorial Program. We look forward to seeing you in the very near future. Our meetings begin at 5:30pm on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. They are usually over by 8:00pm. After winter is over it will still be daylight when you return home.

Until next time have an enjoyable and safe spring.

Message from the National Grange Legislative Director

BY BURTON ELLER

SUBJECT: President Trump's Executive Order on ACA

On January 20, 2017, President Trump issued an executive order "Minimizing the Economic Burden of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act Pending Repeal." This memo outlines the provisions of the executive order and key expected implications for the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

The executive order establishes that the Trump Administration intends to use all regulatory mechanisms available within the law's scope to provide greater flexibility and minimize burdens while Congress completes legislative repeal of the ACA. Specifically, the executive order directs the HHS Secretary and all other related departments and agencies "to exercise all authority and discretion available to them to waive, defer, grant exemptions from, or delay the implementation of any provision ... that would impose a fiscal burden on any State or a cost, fee, tax, penalty, or regulatory burden on individuals."

In other words, the executive order instructs the federal government to begin taking actions to shield individuals and families, employers, health care stakeholders, and states from all fiscal and regulatory burdens of the ACA "to the maximum extent permitted by the law." The executive order does not yet enact specific policy changes. Those are expected to follow in subsequent department and agency actions. In fact, to the extent required, the executive order specifies that the Trump Administration intends to follow the notice-and-comment rulemaking process for revising regulations under

What Does This All Mean?

the Administrative Procedure Act.

-The executive order signals that the Trump Administration's priority is to rapidly roll back major provisions of the ACA that impose fiscal or regulatory burdens. Wherever possible under current statute, the Administration intends to deregulate and create greater flexibility. -The executive order does not have specific or immediate policy impacts, those are expected to follow in subsequent executive actions and federal agency rulemaking. In one sense, this executive order serves as a symbolic measure, allowing President Trump to claim he fulfilled his pledge to take action on day one to repeal the ACA. -Given the emphasis on minimizing fiscal and regulatory burdens, the Trump Administration may stop enforcing the individual and employer coverage mandates. Note, however, that because the rules governing the mandates were issued under noticeand-comment rulemaking, new rules to broaden exemptions under the Trump Administration will likely require a similar process.

-Halting enforcement of the individual mandate may reduce the range of savings available to Congress in repealing the ACA. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) estimates that eliminating the individual mandate starting in 2018 while maintaining the ACA's other provisions (including premium tax credits) would save \$416 billion between 2018 and 2026, under the assumption that fewer people would sign up for Medicaid or subsidized exchange coverage.¹ -If the Administration weakens the individual mandate, CBO may assume these saving are no longer available-because, in budget speak, the Administration's actions will have changed the scoring baseline as if the individual mandate had already been repealed.

-CBO may also estimate that actions to weaken the mandate would result in reduced coverage, which could mean that subsequent replace legislation by Congress may be scored as increasing coverage off a revised coverage estimate that would be artificially low. -The executive order may also contribute to uncertainty felt by consumers during the ACA's still ongoing open enrollment period for plan year 2017 and insurers assessing their market participation and plan rates for plan year 2018, pending further action by the Trump Administration.

¹ "Repeal the Individual Health Insurance Mandate." Congressional Budget Office, 8 Dec 201 6. https://www.cbo.gov/budget-options/20 16/52232

The National Grange in conjunction with the National Grange Sesquicentennial Committee is proud to announce the **150th Anniversary Four-Minute Movie Contest!**

Break out your video cameras or even your smart phones and help us tell your Grange story through the medium of film! We want to commemorate our members and our stories through the production of four-minute movies that can be used to tell the world how amazing Grangers and the Grange are! Get creative as you or a group of participants put together your own four-minute-movie celebrating Grange! And here's the best part: The prizes sponsored by the National Grange Foundation!

The top three finalist submissions will receive up-to a \$200 travel stipend, Friday and Saturday night accommodations (one room per submission finalist) at the 151st Annual Session of the National Grange in Spokane, Washington and two tickets to the Celebration banquet where the winning movies will be shown and first, second, and third lace awards announced!

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	\$1,000 Cash Prize!	\$500 Cash Prize!	\$250 Cash Prize!	
All entries will be judged on content, quality, an August 15 - August 31, 2017, with the top three faw	d creativity following orites moving on to th	a designated grading he finalist round at Na	rubric. The top seven tional Session in Spoka	videos will be part of a social media popularity vote ane, Washington on November 11, 2017.
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Suggestions to get your wheels turning include-but are not limited to:	What we ARE looking for:
How Grange has impacted my life	Smart, funny, poignant, and emotionally engaging four-minute movies that
 The Grange Story: Our history and heritage 	celebrate a specific or personal story within Grange
Why I love Grange!	
Grange accomplishments, wins, and successes	What we are NOT looking for:
• Why I joined the Grange, why I stay	Slide shows or PowerPoints of still images/photos with voice over narration
	A broad history of the Grange
DEADLINES	An internal critique of the Grange
June 1, 2017: SUBMISSIONS OPEN	• A "How to" video for current Granges, i.e. "How to Grow Membership," or

August 4, 2017: SUBMISSIONS CLOSE, midnight PST August 15 – August 31, 2017: Top seven finalist popularity voting contest September 1, 2017: Top three finalist announced November 11, 2017: Prizes awarded at National Grange Celebration Banquet

RULES AND DETAILS

- This contest is open to all Grange members!
- Videos must not exceed four minutes in length (not counting credits).
- Individuals may only enter one submission, but may also be included in an additional group submission.
- All entries must be accompanied by a completed submission form and waiver no later than MIDNIGHT (PST) on AUGUST 4, 2017.
- Late entries will not be accepted.
- The Sesquicentennial Committee reserves the right to close the Four-Minute Movie Contest at any time due to lack of interest or less than twelve quality submissions by close of submission deadline on Friday, August 4, 2017.
- All entries remain the property of the creator, but to qualify for any prizes, a waiver allowing the Grange to use the video for promotional purposes must be signed at time of submission.
- Members of Sesquicentennial Committee will qualify the top seven videos to move onto the public voting round. The top three videos will be judged by a qualified judge outside of the organization's membership.
- Members of the Sesquicentennial Committee reserve the right to remove any entries from judging due to quality, themes, language, or violence deemed inappropriate for an all-ages audience.
- Due to large file sizes, submissions should be uploaded to DropBox, Google Drive, or similar program. Submissions will be considered complete upon receipt of sharing link emailed with entry form to 150videocontest@nationalgrange.org

- "Successful Lecturer's Programs"
- Negative or critical views of the Grange, Grangers or aspects of Grange History
- Quickly produced movies/low quality

Timeline:

February: Contest released to members (article placed in February edition of Good Day!)

March: Conference call for members, Q & A on contest, reiteration of what we are and are not looking for; date TBD

April: Lecturer's Program in a Box on short films (T.J. will do with Chris Hamp and Amanda)

May: Conference call for members, Q & A on contest, reiteration of what we are and are not looking for; date TBD

July: Conference call for members, Q & A on contest, reiteration of what we are and are not looking for; date TBD

GRADING RUBRIC:

50 points possible: Up to 5 points maximum for each of the 7 graded categories (35 points) and up to 15 additional points distributed between categories or given to the project as a whole for outstanding excellence.

GIA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR 2017

GRANGE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION | ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2017-2018

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