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Can you identify where in Kittitas County this photo was taken? Answer on pg 4.

WA State Grange Convention Report

Kurt and I were pleased to serve as your delegates at the 2011 Washington State Grange Convention in Moses Lake June 29-July 2. Camping at the Grant County Fairgrounds was a great way to be right on site and meet other Grangers from around the state. It was fun and educational to share with others about what our Grange does and what other Granges are involved in. We made some connections with folks around the state and look forward to keeping in touch throughout the year.

The session kicked off with an address from State Master June Hendrickson. Master Hendrickson addressed membership growth, the National Grange and the upcoming National Convention November 8-12 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the Grange Insurance Association, the Grange Camper Association, and the Washington State Grange Foundation and the scholarships awarded this year. One of two recipients of the \$2,500 Kegley Memorial Scholarship is our own Travis Matthews. Keep in mind that the Foundation was able to award only 18 scholarships this year due to the lack of funding because of low interest rates. This makes Travis' award even more outstanding!



Master June Hendrickson, husband Jack, and their granddaughter Ahnika Hendrickson, following the 6th Degree Ceremony

Master Hendrickson informed the delegates she would not seek re-election due to health issues that need to take precedence. The outpouring of good wishes for her return to good health was heartwarming. Duane Hamp of the Spokane area was elected Master, Karen Jackson was elected Overseer and Tom Gwin will continue as Lecturer. For complete election results, go to the State Grange website: www.wa-grange.org.

Kurt served on the Taxation & Fiscal Policy Committee. He found the process very open and democratic - everyone on the committee had the opportunity to voice their opinions on resolutions under consideration, both in the committee meet-

ings and again on the floor when those resolutions were voted upon. I served on the National Legislative Committee, where we tackled resolutions that would, if passed, be sent on to the National Grange for consideration at their convention. Resolutions we dealt with ranged from cell phone billing to lobbyists to selective service equality. If you have an issue or concern that you would like to address via a resolution, please contact one of our officers listed on page 4 of this newsletter.

We heard from speakers Rob McKenna, Washington State's Attorney General; Dan Newhouse, Director of Agriculture for Washington; and Judy Warnick, our state representative for the 13th district, herself a life-long Grange member. Satrum, co-owner of Willamette Egg Farms, gave a presentation on today's poultry business and the changes his family-owned business has seen over the last 150 years.

Being a delegate at convention is a rewarding experience. You have the opportunity to influence the work the Grange does in Olympia, and even in



Legislative Liaison Holli Johnson, Representative Judy Warnick with me following Judy's presentation Saturday

Washington, D.C. Thank you for electing us to serve as your delegates this year!

Newsletter

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President's Paragraph





Newly elected WA State Grange Master Duane Hamp met with me at convention

Newly elected Washington State Grange Master **Duane Hamp** is no stranger to those of us who have gone to state conventions over the last few years. Duane and his wife Chris have been active, enthusiastic Grangers and have the skills and energy to lead the Washington State Grange into the future.

Master Hamp is a Spokane native and third generation Granger, with 40+ years of membership, having joined in 1970. At the state level, Duane has served on the Executive Committee and most recently as Overseer. He is the owner/operator of an automotive repair business in Spokane. His four key objectives for moving the Washington State Grange forward are: Serve, Grow, Influence, and Lead. To learn more about his philosophy and goals, go to: www.wa-grange.org.

Our grange was responsible for setting up a tour for the Youth at the Wild Horse Wind Farm located near Vantage, as well as providing lunch after the tour. We want to thank **Gerry Lloyd** and **Bev Allenbaugh** for making lunch for the kids and their chaperones and bringing it out to the visitor center to serve on Thursday, June 30th. A healthy lunch of wraps and fruit, along with cookies and juice, was a real treat after a very windy morning touring the facility.

One of the groups I'm excited to learn more about is the **Washington State Grange Small Ag Caucus**. Chairman Dick Bergeron and Legislative Liaison Holli Johnson are available to present testimony on small farm issues before the state legislature. They are currently working on taxation legislation that could benefit those who farm less than 21 acres, on the cooperative buying of farm-related prod-



Gerry Lloyd and Bev Allenbaugh brought lunch for the youth touring the Wild Horse Wind Facility near Vantage Thursday, June 30th

ucts such as animal feed, working with state agencies to improve the regulatory climate when it comes to small ag, and were influential in getting the bill passed that allows tax-exempt Grange Halls to conduct farmers' markets on their property. Please let me know if you'd like more information on this group.



Family Living Sally Gililand & Shirley Garrett

Note the name change - Women's Activities is now "Family Living" thanks to a resolution passed at this year's convention.

Members of the Grange Auxiliary continue to provide support for all Grange activities, meeting monthly at members' homes to coordinate plans. Here is a summary of many of the Grange events we supported over the last year:

FALL-Hunters Breakfast attended by 400+, Candidates' Night, canning and sale of apple butter and cookbooks, and fall cleaning.

WINTER-Christmas Bazaar with our bake sale, Christmas Turkey Dinner for the community, Spaghetti Dinner & Scholarship Fundraiser, development of a website for our Grange, and a Scholarship committee that reached out to seniors at all five Kittitas County high schools.

SPRING-King Crab Dinner & Auction for over 150 at the Cle Elum Eagles, the Chili Cook Off & Cowboy Concert, a Mothers Day Tea & Potluck with a quilting theme, an Army Band Concert with pulled pork sandwiches and homemade apple pie, hosted the Mini-Fair, and a thorough Spring Cleaning for our hall.

As a group, we prepare food in the Grange kitchen and provide monthly cleaning so that our Grange is attractive for rentals as well as Grange activities. This year we purchased our own aprons and ID pins with our Grange logo to provide a more professional image at our events.

See page 4 for the schedule of Auxiliary meetings. Thank you to everyone for hosting our meetings. This lends a warm personal touch and helps build camaraderie!

New members are always welcome. Contact **Sally Gililand** at **206.854.2936** or by email at: **sallygililand@wildblue.net** for more information and dates of monthly meetings.

Membership News



We welcomed three new members this quarter, all through their participation in the county-wide Mini-Fair in April.

Pictured at left with her painting which took Best of Show at the State Convention is **Kathy Weber**. Kathy is an avid painter and even cuts her own mats for her work. We've enjoyed having Kathy join us at Auxiliary and at our monthly meetings. Kathy and her husband live on the Westside Road, Cle Elum.

Myrna Jensen won Best of Class for her pine needle basket, pictured at right, and her felted art took a Blue Ribbon. Myrna has a variety of interests, including crafts such as leaf casting and lariat basketry, and enjoys gardening, cooking and canning. In fact, she just finished making 205 quarts of dill pickles! Myrna and husband John live in Easton.

Chad Soma entered several categories of canned items - fruit, vegetables, soft spreads and meats/poultry/seafood. He came away with several blue ribbons - good work, Chad! I'm sure he's glad they've changed the name from "Women's Activities" to "Family Living!" I know several men who do canning, and they do a great job of it as well! Chad and his wife Val live on Nelson Siding Road, Cle Elum.



Amanda Anderson Awarded 2011 Grange Scholarship



Our 2011 scholarship recipient Amanda Anderson

This year's Scholarship Committee, chaired by **Sally Gililand**, selected **Amanda Anderson**, a senior at Cle Elum/Roslyn High School, to receive our 2011 Scholarship. Amanda will use this \$1,000 scholarship at Central Washington University when she starts their Merchandising Marketing Program this fall. She already has completed 12 college credits through the Cornerstone College program during her senior year.

Amanda has a long list of accomplishments in high school. In addition to being senior class treasurer and boasting a 3.794 overall GPA, she served as cheerleader for three years, lettered in golf her senior year, and belonged to Amnesty International, the National Honor Society, Key Club, FCCLA, and the Ignite Mentor Program. Recently she created 75 activity kits for sick children at Seattle Children's Hospital to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award. She has also volunteered at HopeSource.

The Scholarship Committee was impressed with her application letter that stated, "I intend to excel and make the world a better place through my pursuit of a higher education. I want to make a difference in the world through my abilities to help others."

Amanda is the daughter of Dave and Carol Anderson and has two younger brothers.

Grange Events

Barb Hamel

Monthly potluck socials start up again in **October**, with the group, "**Northern Departure**" returning for our **Bluegrass Concert & Potluck on October 29th**. Mark your calendars now, these four young men are amazing musicians and we are very fortunate to have them at our hall.

ommunity would enjoy

We are still in the planning process for the 2011/2012 season. If you would like to work with chair **Barb Hamel** to plan our events or have ideas on events our community would enjoy, please give her a call at: **509-674-2982**. Fresh ideas and fresh faces are always welcome!







NOTE: The 24TH Annual Hunters Breakfast is Saturday, October 15th! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Dates to Remember:

First Friday of the month, at Noon Auxiliary Luncheon and Meeting at members' homes. Call Sally Gililand for info: 206-854-2936.

Second Friday of the month, 1:00 PM Monthly Business Meeting at Swauk Teanaway Grange.

Pomona is not meeting at this time.

- Friday, August 5, NOON Auxiliary Meeting at the home of Barb Hamel 509-674-2982 INVITE A FRIEND!
- Friday, August 12, 1:00 PM
 August Business Meeting ALL ARE WELCOME!
- Tuesday, September 6, NOON Auxiliary Meeting at the home of Claire Lucke 509-857-2580 (NOTE DATE CHANGE)
- Friday, September 9, 1:00 PM
 September Business Meeting ALL ARE WELCOME!
- Friday, October 7, NOON Auxiliary Meeting at the home of Carel Edgerly 509-674-5744 INVITE A FRIEND!
- Friday, October 14, 1:00 PM
 October Business Meeting ALL ARE WELCOME!
- Saturday, October 15, 8 AM 1 PM HUNTERS BREAKFAST

Do you have a question? Need more information?

Call one of the folks listed here, they'll be glad to help!



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