### Deer Lagoon Meeting, Tuesday October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Grange meeting will be held on Tuesday October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. Topics will include, planning for the upcoming season, and ways to meet our building maintenance needs.

## **Celebration Dinner**

A special Thanks for everyone that attended our Celebration Dinner this last Monday evening. Deer Lagoon Grange has had another wonderful year. We should all give Judy Prochaska and Tarey Kay a well deserved "Thanks" when you next see either of them. They organized this event and sent out the beautiful invitations.

### Oil Tank Failure

We discovered that our fifty year old oil tank failed last week. So we had an emergency expenditure to replace it. Ken Schillinger and Gary Kay spent the biggest part of the day September 21<sup>st</sup> installing the new plastic tank and transferring the remaining oil from the failed tank to the new one.

# **FUND RAISING**

We need your ideas for ways that we can raise funds to cover some of the major building maintenance costs that are in the immediate horizon.

The biggest is the structure repair that involves foundation work, and roof structure in the main hall. We have other important needs involving the kitchen (floor structure, sink counter, oven vent fan, etc.) Our income, mostly from rentals is just not enough to cover these needs.

### **DISTINGUISHED GRANGE**

Our Grange qualified for the National Distinguished Grange Award for the past year. Last year, only two Granges in the State qualified, so this will be a recognition well earned. The recognition will be given at this year's Washington State Grange convention in Spokane.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

September 10: Island County Pomona at Deer Lagoon.

November 12: Island County Pomona at South Camano.

November 8-12: 2011 National Grange Convention, Tulsa Oklahoma.

June 20-24, 2012 Washington State Grange Convention (Spokane Convention Center) November 13-17 2012 National Grange Convention, Boise Idaho

### ISLAND COUNTY POMONA

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the important Island County Pomona meeting at South Camano Grange on Saturday Nov. 12. At this meeting we will elect new officers for the years 2012 and 2013.

### **MASTER'S MESSAGE**

Dear Brothers and Sisters, September is nearly here, and so is "Senior Summer". This is the time when the students are back in school and those of us whom are lucky enough to be retired (or semi retired) can go out and enjoy our parks, beaches, and mountains without the crowds of summer. September can be truly beautiful in our part of the world. The Island County Fair is behind us; I thought it went exceptionally well this year. With all that the Grange and our members took on, we deserve a hearty "well done" and a pat on the back. Thanks to all of you for your great

participation. Not only did DLG members perform beyond exception, but once again our partnership with Tilth turned out to be an exceptional benefit. Thanks to the participating Tilth members, and all other non-Grange volunteers. I have been filling the superintendent's position for the past few years, and I'd like to thank Chuck P for stepping up and taking over the main duties of that position. Chuck really put in the effort and did a great job! The date for Pomona has been set for Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at DLG, social hour at 10am with meeting at 11am.

I know this is going out to many more members than I see at our meetings. Remember; this isn't the same old Grange, but the "New and Evolving Grange". Come to our meeting on Tuesday September 6th at 7pm and find out.

I put my phone number on these messages as a reminder that <u>each and</u> <u>every member is welcome to call me</u>. Let's hear from some of the members I haven't seen in years.

Fraternally yours,

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