Deer Lagoon Meeting, Tuesday May 1st, 2012

Grange meeting will be held on Tuesday May 1st, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

Trash-to-Treasure Sale

All members should have your separate mailing on this event. It is one way for us to raise funds for our Building Fund. Bring donated saleable items Friday Noon to 6pm. We will be open to the public 10am to 4pm on Saturday, April 28.

HOME CRAFT CONTESTS

Friday (May 11) 5pm - 9pm, and Saturday before 10am. Bring your cookies, baked goods, brownies, canning, needlework, quilt items, and sewing entries! Call Judy 222-3110 or Tarey 341-2008 for details.

Grange Building Fund

We have exceeded \$10,000 in our building fund account. Thanks to some very generous donors. We need to focus to achieve the amount that will allow construction to begin.

GRANGE MONTH CELEBRATION

We had a nice turnout for our 2012 Grange Month Celebration desert event.

Chris Williams was named "Community Volunteer of the Year – 2012" for her tireless work with many groups and events on Whidbey.

POMONA MEETING

The next Pomona meeting will be hosted by Deer Lagoon on May 12. Coffee and snacks at 10am. Business meeting at 11am followed by lunch. For those who have not attended a Pomona meeting. It is a gathering of all of the Granges in Island County.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 11-12: Baking, Candy and Canning, Sewing, Needlework, and Quilting Contest at Deer Lagoon.

May 1: Northern District Talent Contest at Tualco Grange, Monroe.

May 12: Island County Pomona.

May 11-12: Photography, Arts and Crafts Contest.

June 20-June 24: 2012 Washington State Grange Convention, Spokane.

November 13-17: 2011 National Grange Convention, Boise Idaho.

LECTURER'S CONTESTS

Photography, Arts and Crafts contests will be at our Grange on May 12. Bring your entries between 5pm and 9pm Friday May 11 or before 10am May 12. This contest is open to the public as well. Questions, call Bob Cadwallader at 360-969-1104.

FOOD BASICS

May 8th 7 pm Fishing for Food for Beginners Part 1. How, where, why, etc by Jerry Shimek. May 22nd 7 pm Fishing for Food Part 2. Preparations for cooking and preservation. Jerry Shimek.

May 29th 7 pm. The Left-over Queen, Kim McJury talking about smart, creative cooking. There will be samples!!!!!

Chris's notes from John Burks' Beer class on April 10th

Use water you like to drink to brew beer. Don't use distilled or de-ionized, they are tasteless and also lack certain factors that are needed in fermentation. You can buy kits from \$15-45 which will make 5 galls beer. Different varieties of hops provide bitterness, flavor and aroma and also make the head (froth on the top) last longer. Ales are brewed at 55-75 F, lagers at 32-55 F so it takes a lot longer to make a lager type beer. Hops are harvested while bright green, and are covered in a sticky resin. They need to be dried, then vacuum packed and frozen. John Burks has built his own oast, for drying hops that he is growing in Coupeville.. Star-San is a favorite sanitizer in the home

brewing beer industry. It does not need to be

rinsed off. Overall I got the message that you need to really pay attention to details if you want to make consistent, reproducible beer.

MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Summer's getting here, slowly but surely. The grasses and weeds are growing, and I've had my first feed of rhubarb. I've been enjoying working in my garden, and hope you've gotten some time in yours as well. Things seem to be going well at the hall. The grounds are looking nice, especially nice are the trees provided by Tarey and Gary K. Brother Chuck is busy working on our building fund project, with some good results. I hope to see you at 7 PM on May 1st for our business meeting. Fraternally Yours,

Fraternally yours,

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