<u>Deer Lagoon Meeting, Tuesday</u> September 4th, 2012

Grange meeting will be held on Tuesday **September 4**th, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. Items of business will include: Results of the Fair; Building Construction; Building Fund; and other items.

Whidbey Island Area Fair

The Fair was great. The State "Black and White" award went to the Superintendants as a group. The way I see it is that it is really your award. The Superintendants could not have looked good without hundreds of hours of volunteer effort by many of you. Thank you! Daniel Abat, Bob and Yvette Cadwallader, Barbara Gordon, Jim Hicken, Kristi Johansen-Abat, Gary and Tarey Kay, Andrea Linton, Judy Prochaska, Phyllis Rainey, Ken Schillinger, Michelle Schmidtke, and Chris Williams. We also had a lot of South Whidbey Tilth members and a great effort by the Whidbees. We also had Karen Hills of the WSU Experimental Station in Mt. Vernon, Rob Hallbauer of the Conservation District, and Janet Hall of WSU Waste Wise.

Watch for an invitation to a Team celebration organized by our

Family Living Co-Chairs, Tarey and Judy. Set aside Wednesday September 12th at 6:00PM for the "After Fair Celebration" including South Whidbey Tilth, Whidbey Beekeepers Association, and us.

Grange Building Fund

If you haven't noticed the first phase of the restoration construction work was started be McMasters
Construction August 27th. The first major item is the installation of the new support beam in the main hall.
The only way that we could start is that we broke through the \$20,000 donation mark. Thank-you all! The key was the major matching contribution by Nancy Nordhoff of \$10,000! We have formally applied for a 4% loan from Washington State Grange. *Pardon our dust*.

Please keep contributions coming in, we are still short of enough funding for the other significant improvements that are part of the plan for our building.

Grange Insurance Association

We have an agent on Whidbey Island. She is Jackielynn Larsen, RIS Insurance Services, 360-240-9911.

National Grange Convention

The WSG is working on chartering busses to go to Boise for the National Grange Convention. Depending on demand, it may be like a one day trip so that you can attain your 7th Degree.

This is something that everyone can plan for. The 7th Degree is only given at National Conventions. The last National anywhere near our area was in Sparks NV in 2007.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 12th: After Fair Celebration. November 13-17: 2012 National Grange Convention, Boise Idaho. FOOD BASICS-(Watch for the Fall Program)

MASTER'S MESSAGE:

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

The Island County Fair has come and gone, which to my mind marks the end of summer, and a time to begin preparing for fall and winter. We had a good fair this year, and I was especially happy to see DLG, PCG, Tilth, and Whidbees (Whidbey Island Beekeepers) all working together to make the Burrier Building Lean-To great exhibit; my thanks to all who participated, listen or not. Brother Chuck P. and our building fund committee has been working overtime to come up with funds, and I'm happy to say that a contract has been signed with McMaster Construction to begin the first phase of our hall restoration project.

Our next regular business meeting will be held on September 4th at 7: PM with a social period preceding. I hope to see you all there.

Fraternally Yours,

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