<u>Deer Lagoon Meeting, Tuesday,</u> <u>July 1st, 2014</u> *Please come and enjoy our Potluck at 5:30PM on Tuesday July 1st.* <u>*Please note our regular meeting time*</u> <u>*in 6:30PM!*</u>

BUSY WEEK

When you are reading this, several of us will be experiencing the Washington State Grange convention and its associated pageantry celebrating 125 years. It looks like six Deer Lagoon Grangers will be there at least part of the week; Tori Johnson, Phyllis Rainey, Gary and Tarey Kay, Chuck and Judy Prochaska. I am looking forward to the "reenactment" and the "talent **show**". I am also excited to learn how our competition entries do. We have something like 51 entries. Our Community Service Report is in the top four that were submitted for our size of Grange.

One evening we will receive our National Grange recognition as a "Distinguished Grange".

Tori may set a record for our Grange. Six degrees in one day. We are taking several pounds of cancelled postage stamps, some are quite rare. Also as many pop can tops that we could collect.

GRANGE CONVENTION

Pageantry, Ceremony, Celebration, this is the year in Vancouver WA. 125 years of Grange in Washington! If you ever want to actually witness the ceremony and the learning of the Official Degrees of the Grange, all six will be performed on Wed. 6/25 starting at 1:30PM. The first four degrees will be between 1:30 and 5:30pm. The Fifth and Sixth will be after dinner starting at 7:00pm. There is much more, reenactment Tuesday, Talent Show, etc. Read your Washington State Grange News for details, registration, and other info.

PAINT NEEDED BADLY

Our building is in need of a really good roof/gutter cleaning followed by a scrapping/priming/minor repair job so that it can be painted!!! The great news is that Mike and Mike Jr. Clark are in the process of cleaning the roofs. They have done the roof over the kitchen and are starting on the steep roof the week of the Convention. Gary and Tarey Kay, along with Ken and Marta Schillinger have purchased exterior paint for the

building once it is ready. WORK PARTYS COMING. WHIDBEY AREA FAIR

We need Stewards again this year, and help in set up, accepting entries, building our Grange Display. Our Grange in partnership with SW Tilth and the Whidbees are in charge of the Agriculture Department which includes Vegetables, Fruits, Herbs, Honey, Grasses and Grains (which included Compost). We also have Div. J, Ag Contests within Dept. 207. The categories are Critters and Scarecrows. We are working with the Conservation District to increase participation in Grasses and Grains. And to get sponsors for the Ag Contests.

GRANGE DISPLAY AT FAIR

Looking for ideas on putting together our Deer Lagoon Grange display. Any Volunteers, talk to Judy or Tarey. WEDNESDAY WORKSHOPS

We are having Wednesday workshops at 6:00PM to help learn how to make entries for competition. Call Tarey to learn what is next. (baskets, truffles, wine, quilts, so far)

Upcoming Events

June 24 – 28 125th WSG Convention, Vancouver

MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters. Dear Brothers and Sisters. It's nearly time for Washington State Grange Convention. This year it will be held in Vancouver WA. Unfortunately for me, other obligations won't let me attend, however I have every confidence that our chosen delegates will do an exemplary job in their arduous task. Thanks to all of the delegates and state officers who are expending their time and energy to make it happen. Our next regular business meeting will be on July 1st at 6:30 pm, (following a 5:30 pm potluck. As always, I hope to see you there, and am looking forward to our hearing our delegate's reports. Fraternally Yours, Master: Deer Lagoon Grange #846 Ken Schillinger PO Box 822 Langley, WA 98260

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JULY NEWSLETTER

- COMMUNITY SERVICE
- GRANGE FOOD BASICS
- Whidbey Area Fair
- LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES
- YOUTH PROJECTS
- PROVIDE DICTIONARIES FREE TO THIRD GRADE STUDENTS.

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<u>Roots</u>

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