



Winona Grange # 271

Established in Tualatin in 1895

Winter 2016 Newsletter



Painting Party

Can you believe that the downstairs of Winona Grange hall hadn't been painted since right after the flood? We held a painting party on October 28-29 and invited our members and all our renters. The dining room now looks clean and bright!

THANK YOU to crew chiefs **Monte McCutcheon** and **Dick Naven** and all the volunteers!



Abundant Life Family Church: Goldie Benjamin, Reg Dorsey, Oksana Fisenko, Carmalita & Kimo Grace, Peggy Lutz, Dawn & Monte McCutcheon

Irish Ceili Dancing: Chris & Julie Brooks, Anne Doherty, Wendy Griffin, Kurt Kuczynski, Brian Lantz, Pete Ramer, Harry Reed, & Leah Rivendell

M & M Square Dance Club: Dick Naven & Lindie Noonan

Portland Puzzlers: Benson Meyers, Dick Naven, & Ineke van der Sken

Tualatin Timber Squares: Janienne Alexander & Mary Schneider

Winona Grange: Dinah Larsen, Larry McClure, Loyce Martinazzi, Marilyn Reiher, & Jim Serrill

We're not done! We plan to tackle the kitchen and back room in January.

Dictionaries Given to 3rd Graders

Dinah Larsen and **Marilyn Reiher** delivered dictionaries to 23 students in Mrs. Baker's third grade class at M.I.T.C.H. Charter School. They also presented each student with a copy of the book "I Wonder," on the Tualatin mastodon. The children planned to read it to their kindergarten reading partners the following week.

2017 Officers

At our November 12 meeting, those present elected these officers:

Master	Marilyn Reiher
Overseer	Norm Parker
Lecturer	Dinah Larsen
Chaplain	Monte McCutcheon
Treasurer	Dick Naven
Secretary	Larry McClure
Ceres	Rosa Lee Dickson
Executive Committee	Jim Serrill
	Monte McCutcheon
	Dick Naven

Note: The Master, Overseer, and Secretary also serve on the Executive Committee.

New officers will be installed at our December 10 meeting and assume their duties then.



Message from our Master

Welcome Marilyn Reiher as our new Master, leading us into our 122nd year and the 150th year of the National Grange! She brings the most experience of Subordinate, Pomona, district, and State Grange matters and experiences.

Thanks to everyone who has been a regular "Doer." I look forward to another year with our family at the Winona Grange.

Merry Christmas and a most happy and healthy New Year!

Let's have fun and get involved in our community.

Fraternally yours,

Sam Keator, Master 2015-6

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Emergency Preparedness

Cathy Holland and **Christine Tunstall** are working with Commercial Citizen Involvement Organizations (CCIO) to make sure that small businesses around our hall are prepared not only for "The Big One," but for the next flood. Winona Grange is partnering with the CCIO by opening our doors to host training sessions. One session has been held and more are planned for 2017.

Tualatin's Blue Zone Project

Winona Grange voted to support Tualatin's application to be a Blue Zone city, which will encourage healthier living community-wide.

Belated Happy Birthday, Margie



Margie Larsen recalls vividly the first time she came to the Grange with her Grandmother. "They said Gramma was going to ride the goat. I really wanted to see that. But they made the children play outside until it was time to each." Margie became a member in 1952.

Fifty+ Year Member—Really?



Gary Furgason joined Winona Grange in 1965 when he was 14 years old. His father Everett Furgason served as Master. He is also the nephew of Margie Larsen. Gary is a life member.

Oregon State Grange Overseer **Celia Luttrell**, a former Winona Grange member, presented Gary with a 50 year pin and a certificate signed by former National Grange Master **Ed Luttrell** during Sunnyside Grange's 80th anniversary.

A Trip around the World

Lecturer **Loyce Martinazzi** scheduled speakers who have taken us around the world.

- **Larry McClure** shared the cruise he and his wife took from San Diego to Buenos Aires.
- **Lloyd and Kay Gooding** related their cruise from San Diego to Lima, Peru and back.
- **Sandra Carlson** took us to the village in India where she and her husband served in the Peace Corp 40 some years ago.
- **Karen Walker** recounted daily life in Nuremberg, Germany where her son lives and develops Adidas apparel for MLS teams in the US.
- **Jim Serrill** showed photos of his trip to Tanzania where he helped modify the soil for a 20,000 square foot garden that is part of the school Ashley Holmer founded.



Loyce asked **Monte McCutcheon**, State Master **Susan Noah**, **Larry McClure**, **Dinah Larsen** & others to taste three varieties of tomatoes and say which plate was grown with drip irrigation and which without any irrigation. Winona Grange became a member of the North Willamette Research and Extension Center in Aurora.

Garden Party & Ukulele Concert



A garden party and ukulele concert proved not to be an odd combination. When each of the 60 attendees was asked whether they came for gardening information or the ukulele concert, a surprising number answered “both.”

Jim Serrill lined up some great speakers. The ukulele jam group lead by **Joshua Waldman** played familiar songs while audience members sang along. Eleven Winona Grange members participated.

Winona Cemetery Clean Up



Thanks to Sharper Edge for the use of their truck and crew to help prepare Winona Cemetery for Memorial Day. This photo captures **Loyce Martinazzi** and **Carolyn Horne**, who scrubbed and scraped moss, dirt, and bird droppings from headstones. Many charter and long-time Winona Grange members are buried in this cemetery.

Scholarship to Jessica Callen

Winona Grange presented a \$2,000 scholarship to Jessica Callen of Tualatin High School. She has worked at Lee Farms and is now studying environmental science at Biola University.

Fair Booth Wins First Prize



Washington County Fair judges awarded Winona's entry the blue ribbon! The booth featured photos of the gardens of **Loyce Martinazzi**, **Larry McClure**, **Dick & Suzanne Naven**, and the Hilltop Community Garden.

Tualatin Chamber of Commerce Recognizes Winona Members



Dale Potts received the Outstanding Community Service Award and **Larry McClure** the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Two other Winona members were finalists: **Sam Keator** was a runner-up for Business Leader of the Year and **Carolyn Horne** was a finalist for Spirit of Tualatin honors.

Hosting Chamber of Commerce

Winona Grange hosts the Tualatin Chamber of Commerce AM Networking on Friday **December 16 from 7:30-9 am**. As usual we like to wow our local business leaders with homemade goodies. Let us know what you plan to bring.

In addition the host is expected to provide raffle items. **Loyce Martinazzi** has already volunteered Christmas-oriented decorative items and **Dick Naven** is contributing gift cards.

When we host we have the opportunity to show off our hall and tell our story. Last year thanks to **Jonathan Crane**, we recruited eight new members. Jonathan paid half the dues of anyone who signed up that day.

State Grange Awards and Honors

Sam Keator won first place in the instrumental division of the Talent Contest during the State Grange Convention last June. **Carolyn Horne's** daughter Lindsay won 2nd prize in the Flyer contest. Winona Grange received a certificate for having a 20% growth in membership. In the Honor Grange program, we again received a bronze award.

Website

Don't forget to check our website for the latest info: www.winonagrang271.org



Winona Grange Mission

This mission statement was adopted at our November 10, 2012 meeting:

The mission of Winona Grange, chartered in Tualatin, Oregon in 1895, is to provide opportunities for involvement and leadership in community service, for individuals and families; to maintain our local advocacy for agriculture; and to welcome the community into our Grange Hall for a wide variety of educational and social events, portraying our traditional American family values.

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Mark your calendar for:

Saturday, December 10
January 14
February 11

Potluck **brunch** is at **10 am** followed by our meeting at **11 am** at **8340 SW Seneca** on the Tualatin Commons