

# IDAHO INSIGHTS

*The latest news and updates from the Idaho State Grange*



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“For there is always  
light,  
if only we're brave  
enough to see it.  
If only we're brave  
enough to be it.”

*~Amanda Gorman*

#CULTIVATINGCONNECTIONS

After a 25-year hiatus, Mountain Home Grange No. 285 near Potlatch has been resurrected to continue the long grassroots tradition of supporting agriculture and serving the community.

The Mountain Home Grange was founded in 1919 with 45 original members. Although the Mountain Home Grange was an active community center during its heyday, by the 1980s, it suffered much the same fate as many other Granges. Even though the formal Grange disbanded, the building, located about 5 miles north of Potlatch, continued in occasional use for various activities. Recently when the Latah County commissioners decided to revoke the Grange's tax-exempt property tax status as a fraternal organization several people decided to take another look at the situation. “We were trying to figure out how to keep the building a community building, and so I got in contact with the State Grange,” Largent said. “We got together and decided to make it a community building, which was what we all wanted, and to reorganize the Grange.” The initial turnout in April was encouraging. Largent said the group is hoping to find other ways to attract newer and younger members. “I think that we're going to probably try to get the building fixed up a little bit. It needs a lot of work,” Largent said. “It will be a learning experience for everybody, I think.” On April 17, 2021, Idaho State President, Eileen Javaux, National Membership Director Amanda Brozana, and ISG officers gave the obligation to the new members and installed the officers.

*Adapted from Daily News Article by Kathy Hedberg, 5/15/21*

## Idaho State Grange Officers

**President:** Eileen Javaux, Caldwell  
**Vice President:** Dianne Holbart, Coeur d'Alene  
**Lecturer:** Bonnie Mitson, Post Falls  
**Steward:** Oscar Mooney, Coeur d'Alene  
**Assistant Steward:** Joe Axtell, Rathdrum  
**Lady Assistant:** Frances Robertson, Albion  
**Chaplain:** Florence Galland, Middleton  
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**Secretary:** Mary Ellen Decker, Post Falls  
**Gatekeeper:** Gene Cox, Caldwell  
**Pomona:** Colleen Foster, Wilder  
**Flora:** Alissa Javaux, Boise  
**Ceres:** LanaMarie Bear, Cascade

### Executive Committee

Mary Ann Knight, Bellevue - Term Exp 2021  
David Terbest, Priest River - Term Exp 2022  
Arlene Ankenman, Meridian - Term Exp 2023

### Directors

**Family Activities:** Arlene Ankenman  
**Community Service:** Bonnie Mitson  
**Family Health/Deaf Awareness:** Lily Sorenson  
**Membership:** Don Heikkila - North  
James Conrad - North  
LanaMarie & John Bear - South  
**Agriculture:** Gordon Moir  
**Legislative:** Wayne Foster  
Dave Terbest  
**Youth & Juniors:** Colleen Foster

### Deputies

**District I:** Wayne Foster  
**District II:** Gordon Moir  
**District III:** Scott Mitson & Jeannie Billmire

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"In essentials, Unity;  
In non-essentials, Liberty  
In all things, Charity"

## President's Message

**Have Faith, sometimes it is okay to understand that your work is done. Let go give your worries up and pray.**

Greetings Grangers and Friends,

First, on a personal note, June is my last month to work for the Notus School District. After 29 years I have decided my work is done and I need to let go of a job that I have loved. I embraced the many changes within the Child Nutrition Program through the years. I was creative with meals that students would like. I am going to embrace this new endeavor and I will keep busy with Grange and other interests.

Now on to Grange news. I am excited to say that on April 17, 2021, Idaho State Grange reorganized the Mt. Home Grange #285 north of Potlatch, Idaho, they had closed in 1996. They have 43 new charter members that signed the Charter application. I am thrilled that President, Nancy Largent and her supporters made this happen. I want to thank National Grange for helping us through the process of reorganizing a Grange: Betsy Huber and Joe Stefenoni for getting the reorganization started, Amanda Brozana, National Membership Director for coming to Mt. Home Grange and guiding us. It was a great learning experience for all officers involved. Thanks to Richard, Vice President Dianne and Chris Holbart, Treasurer: Warren Eilers and Becky, Executive Committee; Arlene Ankenman, Maryann Knight, and Dave Terbest, Secretary: Mary Ellen Decker, State Program Director: Bonnie Mitson, Youth and Junior Director: Colleen Foster and the District 3 Deputies Scott Mitson and Jeannie Billmire for making the reorganization day happen. Exciting things will be happening at the Mt. Home Grange Hall!

August 6,7 and 8th Idaho State Grange will be hosting the Western Leaders' Conference in Boise. The Conference will be held at the Best Western Inn Vista. Everyone is welcome to attend and there will something for everyone to come and enjoy. Look for more in this issue of Idaho Insights. Western Leaders' Conference is for the western states of Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, and Montana. Youth and Junior speech contests will be held for a chance to compete at the National Grange Speech and Sign-a-Song Contest. Friday Night, be ready to kick up your heels with Arlene.

The Executive Committee has voted to hold the Idaho State Grange Session Friday, October 15, 2021, and Saturday, October 16, 2021. This will be a hybrid session, State Officers and Delegates and spouses can attend the in-person session and a ZOOM meeting will be available for anyone that would prefer to participate by ZOOM. The meeting will be held at the Nampa Valley Grange Hall with Pleasant Ridge hosting a Friday dinner with an evening of fun by our State Program Director Bonnie and a Quilt of Valor presentation. See more information on page 14.

*Fraternally,*  
Eileen Javaux, President

# FAMILY ACTIVITIES

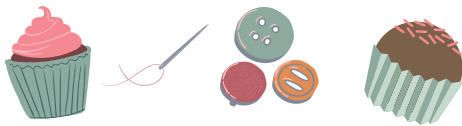
Arlene Ankenman

This is the start of the family activities raffle!



This "Pail" is **"Great for tailgating!!"** Raffle Tickets are \$1.00 each, \$5.00 for 6, \$10.00 for a Bakers dozen. Tickets are being sent to the Subordinate Grange family activities chairperson. The drawing will be held during Lunch break at state session.

**How many more pails of goodies can we get? Please let Arlene know what your Pomona Granges theme will be.**



## Baking and Needlework & Craft Contests

I am splitting the Baking and Needlework/Craft contests this year.

All needlework and crafts should be sent to the State Grange office by October 8th with judging on October 9th. We can't wait to see your afghans, doilies, embroidery, needlework, quilts, and Fidget Sleeves. I have already received some needlework! Remember that Fidget Sleeves will be donated.

The Baking contest will be held on October 15 with winners announced at the end of the State Session. Looking forward to seeing all the entries!!

### Baking Contest

- Brownies
- Quick Bread
- Caramel Corn

### Needlework and Craft Contest

- Afghans
  - Doilies
  - Embroidery
  - Needle Work Crafts
  - Quilts
  - Fidget Sleeves
  - Sewing Crafts
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# Moir's Musings

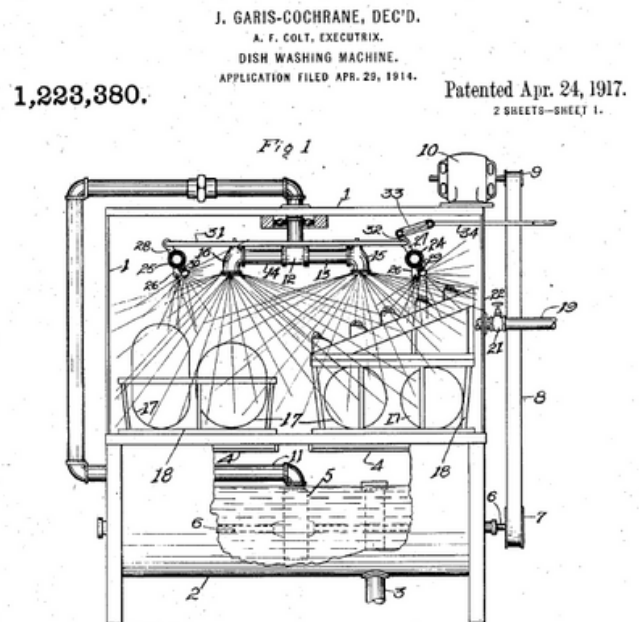
Gordon Moir



## "I'll do it myself"

To protect her fine china and avoid having to hand-wash them herself, Josephine Cochran set out to invent the better dishwashing machine.

Widowed early in this effort, she struggled against society's limits on women, working tirelessly to build a successful prototype, sell her invention, and ultimately turn a tedious task into an iconic American appliance. (US Patent Office)



## FAMILY HEALTH & DEAF AWARENESS

Lily Sorenson

**FAMILY HEALTH:** Here are a few healthy tips: Aim for 30 minutes of exercise daily, begin with small starts like these and build up from there: park your car at the far end of a parking lot, so you have farther to walk to a building's entrance; choose the stairs, rather than the elevator; wake up a bit earlier and exercise before you do anything else; snack on nuts – they supply health unsaturated fats, and munch on raisins for a healthy snack- they are one of the best snacks to control your blood pressure.

Protect your skin in the sun. Cover up. Wear a shirt with long sleeves and a hat with a wide brim. Seek shade, especially in the middle of the day when the sun's rays are strongest. Use sunscreen and wear sunglasses.

**DEAF AWARENESS:** Protect your hearing this summer. Here are some precautions to remember: Alternate noisy activities with periods of quiet - pump down the volume; use earplugs or other hearing protectors at work and home; limit lengthy periods of loud noise exposure – don't be fooled by thinking your ears are "tough" or that you have the ability to "tune out" noise. If you think you've "gotten used to" noise you're routinely exposed to, then most likely you've already suffered damage and acquired a permanent hearing loss. Have routine hearing checks with your doctor to monitor your hearing.



## Lecturer's Report

Bonnie Mitson, Lecturer

Scott Nicholson State Lecturer from Montana had a great idea. Organize a Photo Safari. Take a walk or a hike along your local greenbelt or favorite outdoor hike with your Grange Friends. Take photos along the way. Those photos can be submitted to the Idaho State Grange Contest or shared in a slideshow presentation with Grangers who could not participate. Send us your photos and we'll publish them in the next issue of *Idaho Insights*.

### National Lecturer's Challenge

I challenge EVERY member to pick at least one thing that YOU can do to make your community Grange better, stronger, more inclusive and to DO IT!

*Shout out!*

**To the moms! While Mother's Day has passed, we continue to celebrate your amazing strength and unconditional love.**



## SUN SAFETY

- Wear a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen.
- Reapply Sunscreen every two hours
- Your lips can get burned too! Use a Lip Balm with SPF 30

The Idaho State Grange received another letter from the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind. They indicated their profound gratitude for our generous donations for the students. With the funds, they were able to purchase badly needed educational games, toys, physical education equipment, and movies that will benefit their Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Blind/Low Vision and Special Needs students. They indicated that words cannot express how grateful they are for our kindness. Our donation will have a positive impact on the children they serve for many years to come. As you can see, our donations help the school.

I wish to thank the following Granges that have donated to the Deaf Fund:

Nampa Valley #131, Kuna #59, Pleasant Ridge #135,  
Upper Big Wood River #192, Maple Grove #244,  
Mica Flats #436, Moscow #452, Blanchard #440,  
Treasure Valley Pomona #1  
and Latah County Pomona #17.

Until next time, stay healthy and protect your hearing! Have a great summer.

It's never too late to donate to the Deaf Fund.

Please send donations to:

Lily Sorenson

16942 N Werrington Ct.,

Nampa 83687

or to the Grange Office.

**Make checks payable to:**

Idaho State Grange, Deaf Fund.

Thank you in advance!

## District 3 Deputy Report

Jeannie Billmire, Deputy

We, along with other State Grange Officers were able to assist with the efforts to reorganize the new Mt. Home Grange in Potlatch, Idaho. There were 26 new members obligated on April 17th. This was the first Grange reorganized in Idaho since Blanchard Grange in 2009. Two trips were required to actually get this Grange on its feet. The first, to talk with the initial people from the area, and the second, to sign people up, obligate them, elect new officers, and install them. What an exciting day for everyone. It's such a privilege to be a part of this endeavor.

# From the Court of Flora, Ceres and Pomona

Hello and Happy Summer,

I remember picking Gooseberries with my Grandma Freda Javaux and Aunt Jane Javaux, at Uncle Ed and Lucy's. These little berries were sour and then once Grandma made a pie they were sweet and a little tart. A bit of homemade ice cream makes the pie even better.

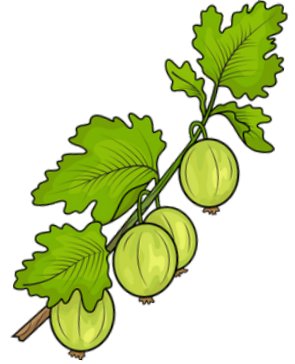
The gooseberry is a deciduous shrub that belongs to the currant family. This berry has 5 different tastes, sweet, sour, bitter, astringent, and pungent. There are many impressive health benefits to these tart berries:

- Gooseberries are low in calories (100 Grams is 44 Calories) yet packed with nutrients.
- Gooseberries are high in fiber, rich in antioxidants, and may help control blood sugar.
- They are a good source of vitamin C and vitamin B and minerals such as copper, calcium, phosphorus, and manganese.
- Gooseberries contain compounds that might prevent the development of cancer, neurological disorders, and inflammation.

## Spiced Gooseberry Oat Bars

### Ingredients:

- 1  $\frac{3}{4}$  old fashioned rolled oats
- 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour (I used Bob's Red Mill Gluten-free All-Purpose Baking Flour in this batch)
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup mascavo (muscovado) sugar (or brown sugar)
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped walnuts
- $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp ground ginger
- $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp ground nutmeg
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup melted virgin coconut oil
- 2 cups thawed gooseberries
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup raw sugar
- 1 tbsp cornstarch or arrowroot
- 2 tbsp water
- 1 tbsp lemon juice



### Instructions:

- Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 9 x 13-inch baking dish with coconut oil.
- In a medium bowl combine the oats, flour, mascavo sugar, walnuts, baking soda, and salt. Add the ginger, nutmeg, and cinnamon. Pour in the melted coconut oil and stir to mix well. You should have a crumbly mixture that is wet enough to hold when pressed together. Reserve about  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup of the mixture.
- Press the remaining oat mixture into the baking dish. Spread it evenly and press it firmly into the pan. Bake for 10 minutes. Remove from the oven and set aside.
- In a saucepan combine the gooseberries, and raw sugar (you can add more or less sugar to your taste). Bring to a boil, then simmer, for about 2 minutes. Stir to break up the berries.
- In a small dish, stir together the cornstarch, water, and lemon juice to make a paste. Add the paste to the gooseberries and stir until the fruit is thickened. Remove from heat.
- Spread the fruit over the oat crust leaving just about a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch edge on all sides. Crumble the reserved topping evenly over the fruit. Bake for 18 to 20 minutes or until the edges of the crust begin to brown. Cool the pan on a wire rack. Once cooled completely, cut into bars. Makes about 15 bars. Recipe from <https://www.fakefoodfree.com/>

## Chaplain's Corner

Florence Galland, Chaplain

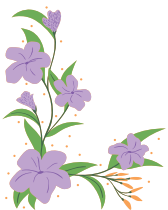


“He died for us so that,  
whether we are awake or  
asleep, we may live  
together with him.  
Therefore encourage one  
another and build each  
other up, just as in fact you  
are doing.”

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Stay Well and Strong,  
Florence Galland, Chaplain



## ICE CREAM MAKER



Another great  
invention by a lady.

In 1846, Nancy Maria Donaldson Johnson patented a design for a hand-operated ice cream maker which made it possible for the lower classes to create ice cream for all. According to Chris Clarke's book, "The Science of Ice Cream," Johnson's ice cream maker comprised of two spatulas that fitted tightly into a long cylindrical barrel. The spatulas contained holes and were attached to a shaft rotated by a crank. The outside of the cylinder was cooled with a mixture of salt and ice. Johnson's invention is still used to this day from modern ice cream machines found at home to the ones found in factories manufacturing this sweet dessert.

# WELCOME TO THE GRANGE!

Tracy Tewalt  
Teri Pence  
Jeannie Smith  
Teresa Cartwright  
Kimala Haworth  
Dean Kerr  
Holly & Dean Neumeyer  
LaRae & Marty Rice  
Brandon Rienbold  
Dan Gookin  
Paul & Teri Mooto  
Doug, Alicia & Morgan Balija  
Holly Carling  
David & Mona Wallin  
Stanley & Cathy Mickels  
Corky & Ginny Hughes

Maple Grove #244  
Clearwater #299  
Edgemere #355  
Paradise Valley #389  
Paradise Valley #389  
Paradise Valley #389  
Paradise Valley #389  
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## Edgemere Grange #355

David Terbest, President



The Edgemere Grange along with the Hoodoo Hustlers 4-H Club, held a clean-up day on April 24, 2021.

After working everyone enjoyed a nice pot luck lunch! Thanks to the club members and their parents, and Grange members for doing an amazing job!



## PLEASANT RIDGE GRANGE #135

Melanie Harper



Pleasant Ridge Grange #135 hosted their Annual Quilt of Valor presentation that honored Carmen Javaux, Jamia Byrns, Vonnie Larsen, Shalla Doyle. All the ladies served their country with pride, their military careers are impressive.

We lost Paul Hellinger, April 30, 2021. Paul will be greatly missed, his kindness and willingness to help anywhere help needed was above and beyond. Our Grange served dinner after the services for the family and friends.

We will start our barn painting classes in June during the week, hopefully, we will have our barn quilt for the outside of our Grange Hall done before fall.



## Kuna Grange #59

Robert Gumm

Kuna Grange #59 held their first Spring Food Drive on Saturday, April 24th, 2021.

As the rain came down, the food donations poured in! Our generous community donated 30 plus boxes of food and \$110.00 in cash.

This will benefit our local pantries greatly. We are so very appreciative of all who stopped by the Grange and made a much appreciated donation. Thank you for helping us make a difference! Community helps community!



### MAY CHANGE DRIVE

2021 Deaf Awareness week was May 4th to May 9th. The entire month of May we raised money for the Deaf and Blind. We asked that people bring loose change, or bills to help support the Deaf and Blind School in Gooding, Idaho. Any little bit helps!

### KUNA GRANGE MONTH AND HONOREES

Every year the Kuna Grange #59 honors a Fire Fighter, Police Officer, Teacher, Citizen and Grange member for their contributions to the Kuna Community. We reach out to their supervisors and peers to submit nominees to the Grange for their dedication and hard work. We would love to honor them in person, but due to COVID will honor them via newspaper and social media. This does not mean we do not appreciate them any less. We want to give them a big "THANK YOU" for all they have done for our Kuna Community! These people are our Home Town hero's!

TEACHER - Andrew Horning - KHS

FIRE FIGHTER - Paramedic Brandon Neice

POLICE OFFICER - Detective Krista Ducharme

CITIZEN - Ted Wimer

GRANGER - Michele Gumm

## MICA FLATS GRANGE #436

Jeannie Billmire, Vice President

The planning has begun after such a long year of forced inactivity. It is so good to see everyone at activities and meetings.

We have welcomed several new members since the beginning of the year, these include Dan Gookin, Tyren MIngura, Korah Mingura, David and Mona Wallin, Corky and Ginny Hughes, Holly Carling, and Doug Balija.

Joy Seward donated a much-appreciated riding lawnmower to the Grange.

The Jolly Workers of Mica 4H Club under the leadership of Sara Petrella has doubled in size this year. The sixteen 4Hers have worked on various projects this winter and they are wrapping up. There was no archery this year.

Bill Turner is once again holding Pinochle nights on the second Saturday of each month, they are well attended.

We have been working on some resolutions for the upcoming year's convention. Two were approved and will be sent to the State Office.

Lecturer Julia Pond arranged for a guest speaker in March. Nathan MacPherson is a Constitutional attorney and discussed the legal aspects of the pandemic restrictions.

Several new committee heads have been appointed and we look forward to working with them. Randy Opp has agreed to head up the Education Committee, Pat Murphy will coordinate the Community Service Committee and Teri Moote will serve as our new CFA.

An auction is in the planning stages for July. We are requesting donated items that can be included in this fundraiser. Since there was no North Idaho State Fair last summer and that is our main fundraiser for the year we are playing a bit of "catch-up" with our funds.

We'll hear from these Granges next time!

We know things are slowly getting going!

### Moscow Grange #452

Anita Falen

### Blanchard Grange #440

James R. Conrad, Lecturer

### Nampa Valley Grange #131

Rebecca Eilers

### Upper Big Wood River #192

Manon Gaudreau



If you have an article to contribute.  
Let us know.

Email me: [obert.amber@gmail.com](mailto:obert.amber@gmail.com)

# Bloom Where You Are Planted

GARDEN GURUS



Would you like to submit a gardening tip or trick to Garden Gurus? Email it to [obert.amber@gmail.com](mailto:obert.amber@gmail.com) Or snail mail your tip to the ISG Office

**DON'T FORGET**

Write a report of your adventures in gardening. Include photos from start to finish and the produce, flowers, or succulents you grew. Report on community garden involvement. Include descriptions and photos of your harvest.

## NOTES FROM NATIONAL GRANGE

### NEW MEMBER BENEFIT!

The National Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry is pleased to welcome Marathon Group, a national provider of vehicle extended service contracts, and their innovative program, healthCAR, as a new affinity partner.

- Vehicle protection at 60% less than the competition.
- No mileage limitations.
- No long-term contracts, monthly payment program.
- Easy online enrollment.
- One call initiates a claim.
- Use any licensed repair facility for repairs.
- Emergency Roadside Assistance included at no additional cost.
- Enhanced Ancillary benefits – rental car/rideshare assistance.
- Phone App for easy connection to claims and roadside assistance. Learn more at [nationalgrange.org](http://nationalgrange.org)

**155th National Grange is in Wichita, Kansas this year! Registration is now open.**

## Herbs that Pair Perfectly As Growing Partners

- Chives - A great all-around for most herbs and vegetables.
  - Plant them around rose bushes to ward off Japanese Beetles, reduce black spot and enhance the growth of roses
  - Chives repel aphids! Plant them next to peas, lettuce, and celery.
  - Chives also boost the yields of many fruits and vegetables as they encourage pollinators.
- Rosemary - One of the few herbs that don't get along well with other herbs.
  - One herb that makes a good garden buddy is sage.
  - Rosemary does ward off the insects that attack broccoli heads.
  - It also enjoys the company of beans, cabbage, and hot peppers.
  - Keep your rosemary away from carrots, potatoes, and pumpkins.
- Basil - prefers the company of vegetables to other herbs.
  - Keep the rue and sage far away from your basil though!
  - Tomatoes and basil go together like peas in a pod!
  - Basil and Marigolds are a great team, as they keep pests away from their neighbors as well as themselves.

## GARDEN CHALLENGE

FROM THE STATE LECTURER

Every Granger that enters a report will receive a certificate and be entered in a drawing for a prize. Reports & photos can be emailed. Entries may be used by the Grange for promotional materials.

## GIA CALLS FOR DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS

The position of Director in District 3 is up for election in March 2022. The Grange Insurance Association is a mutual company having special regulations lawfully applicable to its organization, membership, policies, or contracts of insurance.

By virtue of this policy, the policyholder is a member of the company and is entitled to vote, in person, by mail, or by electronic means approved by the Board of Directors. The annual meeting of the members of the company shall be held on the third Monday of March at 10:00 a.m. at the Home Office of the Grange Insurance Association.

To be considered by the Nominating Committee, applications must be received by the Corporate Secretary no later than August 1, 2021. If you'd like to receive an application, please email your request to the Corporate Secretary at [brian.allen@grange.com](mailto:brian.allen@grange.com). If no application is received, candidacy may also be achieved through the petition process.

Mail petitions for candidacy for Director to the Association's Home Office, attention of the Corporate Secretary, at P.O. Box 21089, Seattle, WA 98111-3089. All nominations must be received by the Corporate Secretary by December 1, 2021, for placement on the ballot.

District 3 consists of two seats representing Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, and Wyoming. The directors must be from different states. As the other director is from Oregon, candidates must be fit the eligibility qualifications above and reside in Colorado, Idaho, or Wyoming.

For the Full Announcement and Qualifications please go to [IDAHOSTATEGRANGE.ORG](http://IDAHOSTATEGRANGE.ORG)



# Reflections in Time

MOUNTAIN HOME GRANGE

**#285**

ORGANIZED

**April 25, 1932**

INSTALLING OFFICER BROTHER LOU KEGLEY

CHARTER MEMBERS

**40**

BY 1989 THERE WERE ONLY EIGHT  
REMAINING

LIGHTS

**25 Cents**

FOR A GALLON OF KEROSENE

JUNE

**1933**

LOGS HAD BEEN CUT AND SAWN, STACKED  
AND COVERED FOR A NEW HALL

JANUARY

**1936**

FIRST MEETING HELD IN THE NEW HALL

OCTOBER 6, 1989

**8**

NUMBER OF FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS



MT. HOME GRANGE HALL



## HISTORY OF THE MT. HOME GRANGE #285 P OF H

On April 25, 1931, Mt. Home Grange was organized in the old Union Church. Membership dues for men were \$1.50 and for women, \$1.00, children 14-18 were 50 cents.

In 1932 a group of men started cutting logs which they hauled to Strong's mill to be sawed into lumber to build a hall. By June of 1933, the lumber had been sawed, staked, and covered, waiting to be planed. In 1934 the site for the hall was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanna. In June of 1935 construction on the hall began.

A loan was taken out at 6% interest, and the note signed by ten members. Card Parties and Pie socials were held to pay off the note and secure funds to continue construction. In January of 1936, the first meeting was held in the new hall. The polling location was moved from the Burden School to the Hall. A basketball team was organized and the hall was used. Members and nonmembers found themselves welcome.

An anteroom was added in 1937 and electricity installed later in the year. A stove was purchased along with Grange regalia. In January of 1939, Lewis Orsie Jewelers presented the Grange with a clock, with the promise of a larger when the membership reached 100. (Did this happen? Let us know!)

In 1941 came the war which delayed interior finishing and decorating. The inside is not so pleasing to the eye but the Grange had invested in war bonds. In 1942, it was decided that members going into the service would not have to pay dues while deployed.

Excerpts from Mt. Home Grange History written by Leona Sawyer, Lecturer 1988-1989



# Chewy Chocolate Chip Cookies

## FROM THE KITCHEN OF LIDA LITTLE

Everyone who has tried these cookies says they're the best they've ever eaten. I'm sure the addition of pudding mix makes all the difference.

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 package (3.4 ounces) instant vanilla pudding mix
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup finely chopped walnuts

In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar, until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in pudding mix and vanilla. Combine flour and baking soda; gradually add to the creamed mixture and mix well. Stir in chocolate chips and walnuts (dough will be stiff).

- Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls 2 in. apart onto ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 350° for 8-10 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove to wire racks to cool.



### THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE WASN'T ACTUALLY SIGNED IN JULY

On July 4, 1776, Congress officially adopted the Declaration of Independence, but it actually wasn't signed until almost a month later. When the declaration was officially approved on July 4, John Hancock and Charles Thompson signed the draft that day. But the official copy wasn't signed by all 56 signers until August 2, 1776.



What did one flag say to the other flag?

Nothing, it just waved.



I	D	A	H	O	S	T	A	T	E	G	R	A	N	G	E	I	I	Y	A	R	G	R	M	Q
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# Well Done, Good and Faithful Servants

## IN MEMORIAM

**Frank Smith**  
**York Grange #253**



Franklin D Smith was born on August 17, 1933, in Rigby, Idaho to Raymond and Idaho Smith. He died at his home in Idaho Falls on March 24, 2021. Frank grew up on a farm south of Idaho Falls. He attended Roberts High School and graduated from Idaho Falls High School. He then attended Idaho State University.

He married Geraldine Rammell in 1954. He worked at the INL as a laborer, security, and health physics technician until he retirement. He and Geraldine lived in Mud Lake and then Idaho Falls.

Frank loved sports and was involved as a participant, a coach, and a fan. He especially enjoyed coaching his sons' teams. He served in many positions including president of Bonneville Boys Baseball and Western Boys Baseball, and a field on Rollandet was named for him. He also enjoyed announcing and keeping score for fastpitch softball games. He attended many of his children's and grandchildren's events where officials could hear his voice helping them with their calls.

Frank was a longtime member of the York Grange and served in many positions in the local and state Grange including State Chaplain and as an Executive Committee person. Frank was known for his fun sense of humor. He was generous and kind and was loved by those who knew him.

**Glenn Cederberg**  
**York #253**



Glenn E Cederberg passed away February 27, 2021 at the age of 94 at his home on the Cederberg farm in Firth, Idaho. The same farm where he was born on August 12, 1926..

Glenn began his education in Firth, continued it at the University of Idaho in Moscow, and finally, Idaho State University where he studied engineering. Glenn joined the army, training at Fort Lewis in Washington, and then, was transferred to Austria.

On January 1, 1954, Glenn married Betty Jo Knight. They moved to Firth following their marriage and raised four children: Steven (Sheryl) Cederberg, Sheryl (Wesley) High, David (Julie) Cederberg, and Janet Cederberg.

Glenn was a dedicated and beloved member of the community and found a lot of joy in serving others, working hard, and spending time with friends. He was a member of the St. Johns Masonic Lodge #52 and was also a founding member and lifetime supporter of the Riverview Grange. He was a recently-baptized member of the Bethel Lutheran Church in Firth. He worked for Westinghouse on the INL site for 32 years and spent the rest of his time tending diligently to his family farm, his favorite work.

**Paul Hellinger**  
**Pleasant Ridge #135**



Paul was born to Jacob Steven Hellinger and Rosie Avery Hellinger on August 24, 1934 in Oklahoma. Paul enlisted in the United States Air Force at the age of 17. He traveled worldwide and served five tours of duty in Southeast Asia, serving 21 years in the U.S. Air Force.

Paul married Greta May Oredson in 1957, they had two children, Christel Lee Hellinger Michel and Scott Henry Hellinger. Paul retired from the USAF in 1973 and they made their home in Caldwell, Idaho. In 1980 Paul, Greta and Scott moved to Stanfield, Oregon, where Paul began working as a locksmith at the Umatilla Army Depot until he retired from civil service in 1994. Paul and Greta moved to Northern Idaho. In March of 2004, they moved back to Caldwell, Idaho.

Paul met Lida Little in 2010 and she became his soul mate until his death. Paul became an integral member of Pleasant Ridge Grange, particularly supporting the Quilts of Valor program.

# GRACES' PROJECT

## PROJECT RED, WHITE, AND BLUE

### RIBBON STAR

#### Block Construction

Fabric Needed: 5-2 ½ WOF.

2-White- 3 Colors of your choice.

Cut 12- 2 ½ Squares- White.

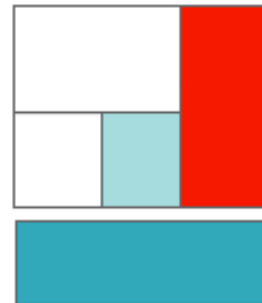
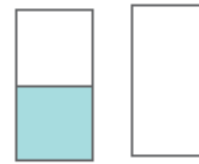
Cut 4- 2 ½ Squares – Blue or Red

Cut 4- 4 ½ x 2 ½ Oblong Strips – White

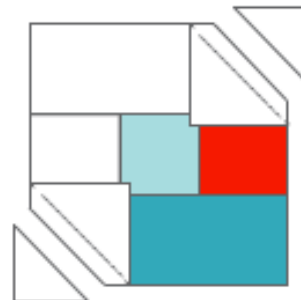
Cut 4 – 4 ½ x 2 ½ Oblong Strips – Blue or Red

Cut 4 – 6½ x 2 ½ Oblong Strips – Blue or Red

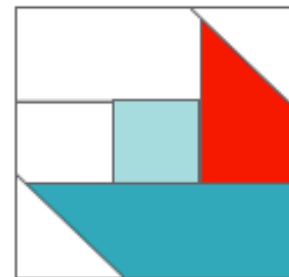
Sew a 2½" white square to a 2½" blue or red square. Add a 2½" x 4½" white rectangle as shown.



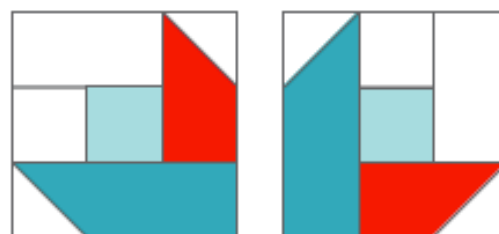
Rotate the unit and then sew a 2½" x 4½" blue or red rectangle to 1 side of the unit as shown. Add a 2½" x 6½" red or blue rectangle to the adjacent side.



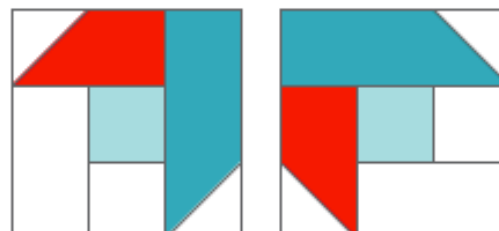
Fold (2) 2½" white squares from corner to corner once on the diagonal and press the crease in place. Using the crease as your sewing line, stitch a square to each of the red or blue rectangles of the unit as shown. Trim the excess fabric ¼" away from the seam, line. **Make 4** units for each block.



Sew 2 units together to form a row. Make 2 rows. Press the seams in opposite directions. Nest the seams and sew the rows together to complete the block.



**Block Size:** 12 1/2" unfinished, 12" finished.



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2021 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

## DON JOHNSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



Abigail Crawford - Kuna High School

My name is Abigail Crawford and my favorite things in life are plants, bugs, and dirt! I have been a member of FFA for the last four years, participating in competitions ranging from soils, agronomy, nursery and landscape, environmental natural resources, ag business, and entomology. I placed high individual in soils twice, and nursery and landscape. And second and third high individual for agronomy. During the summers I work for HM Clause in Nampa helping to grow research sweet corn and prepare it for the research lab. We have to self-pollinate a few acres of corn. In the rest of my spare time, I volunteer at the Idaho Reptile Zoo. I hope to use my summer research to get me an internship for a larger company, like Simplot.

I will be attending the University of Idaho this fall and majoring in Plant Science with a minor in Entomology. After that, I will specialize in either crops science, insects, or soils. I plan to work in agriculture for my future career and help create a better system to feed the world!

I am so very grateful for this scholarship opportunity to help me go to college and eventually give back to my community.

## IDAHO STATE GRANGE SCHOLARSHIP

Emma Sanford - Notus Highschool

I would like to thank you for awarding me your scholarship for my upcoming Freshman year at Treasure Valley Community College. I am looking forward to pursuing my degree in Agricultural Business.

With my degree, I hope to start and operate my own working cow horse ranch where I will train, breed, and show cutting and reined cow horses. I am currently working at a cow horse ranch and have learned what it takes to operate a ranch, gained knowledge and experience about the training and showing in this discipline. I currently own three horses, I show them in cutting, 4-H and FFA.

I have been a part of 4-H for 12 years now, where I have shown and competed in the horse, steer, and sheep projects. I have also been a part of the leadership project where I have attended camps as a camp counselor. This year, I am a teen leader. I have competed in public speaking and have attended nationals in Louisville, Kentucky.

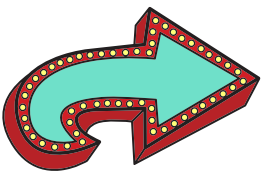
I am also a part of FFA and am currently the Notus FFA Chapter Vice President. I have had many travel opportunities from a local dairy cattle competition to the National FFA Convention in Indiana, Indianapolis. I have gained numerous skills in leadership and public speaking. This scholarship will help me be able to focus on my educational goals and ease the financial strain of college tuition.



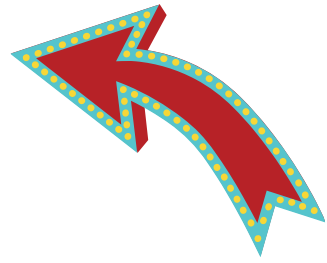
### MORE THOUGHTS FROM THE WORTHY PRESIDENT

#### Excerpt from Chaplain's Part from the 2nd Degree

Brothers, the springing seed teaches us to increase in goodness, and the growing trees to aspire after higher and broader knowledge. Thus the labors of husbandman and his surroundings beget refinement of feelings and kindly sentiments. In no other occupation does a man's daily labor bring him into such close companionship with the Great Creator as in the cultivation of the soil. Therefore, guard against selfishness. If thine enemy hunger, feed him. Do good, hoping for nothing in return, and your reward shall be great. Love one another.



# 113th Annual State Grange Session



October 15 and 16th, 2021  
Hybrid Session

State Officers, Delegates, and Spouses can attend the in-person session at the Nampa Valley Grange Hall, Nampa, Idaho

- **NO** Registration fees.
- Hotels Rooms available for State Officers and Delegates
- Nampa Best Western \$99.99 per Room plus tax.



## Friday, October 15, 2021

- Executive Meeting - Time TBA
- Officers Practice Friday – 4:30 PM – MST
  - Baking Contest Judging
- Dinner and Program Director’s Program at Pleasant Ridge Hall – 6 PM- MST

## Saturday, October 16, 2021- 9:00 A.M. – MST

- In-person session at the Nampa Valley Grange Hall.
- ZOOM will be available for Officers, Delegates, and Members not attending in person.
- Registration Forms will be emailed or mailed by August 15, 2021.  
The schedule may change due to COVID-related restrictions.

## Quilt Raffle

National Grange Quilt Block.



More details in the next issue



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