

SJI GRANGE #966

GROWERS, MAKERS, AND KEEPERS WORKING TOGETHER FOR
MUTUAL BENEFIT AND COMMUNITY BUILDING

Grange Hall Fall Work Party

When: Sunday,
October 16, 11am-4pm

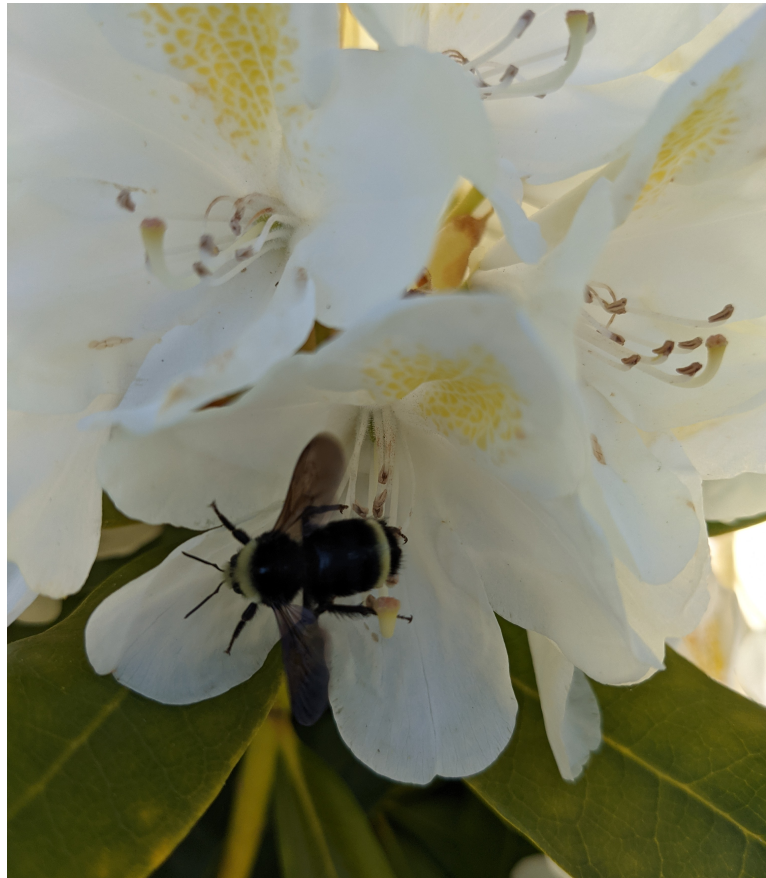
Where: Grange Hall



Mark your calendar and join us for the fall work party! Activities will include outdoor painting and deck rail varnishing.

Email Bill at
bill.fairhope@gmail.com
to confirm your participation and so that we have a count for brushes. Thanks!

Bill Severson for the
Grange Hall Building
Committee



POLLINATORS

Can't do without them!



Bumblebee queen
Photo by Lisa DeVetter

You are invited to a **free workshop**, November 9, 10:30am–1:30pm

In-person at
Brickworks in downtown
Friday Harbor

and

Via Zoom at <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/96127679227?pwd=cVhKZCtaUFM3eVhly1hY2xFO1FkUT09>
Meeting ID: 961 2767 9227
Passcode: 200050

Learn about pollination science, pollinator diversity, native pollinators, how to ID pollinators, how to support them year-round, and recent research on pollinators with Washington State

University (WSU) small fruit horticulture specialist Lisa DeVetter, entomologist Bob Gillespie, and WSU graduate students Emma Rogers, Adriana Barsan, and Kayla Brouwer.

San Juan Island Grange, WSU, and San Juan Islands Agricultural Guild programs are available to all without discrimination. Accommodation will be made, as possible, for those with special needs by emailing snowberryfarm@rockisland.com before Oct. 1. Drinks and snacks will be provided.



San Juan Islands
Agricultural Guild



WSU EXTENSION
San Juan County



SAN JUAN ISLAND GRANGE #966

San Juan Island Grange #966 is a grassroots, non-partisan advocacy group supporting a resilient community on San Juan Island.

The Grange serves San Juan Islanders with legislative programs and community activities, such as talent and craft contests, scholarships, and more. You don't have to be a farmer to belong, though many are. Our elected officers are volunteers, and our "work" is done through committees. The heart of our mission is fostering community well-being, and we enjoy gathering to celebrate this.

We are a 501(c)(8) organization, accepting donations towards our programs and to maintain Grange Hall, in downtown Friday Harbor.

Officers of San Juan Island Grange #966 may be found [here](#).

Our bylaws and resolutions may be found [here](#).

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Grange Member Benefits

Grange membership pays dividends in so many ways!

Member benefits include 50% on one rental of Grange Hall per year per member (you may sponsor another renter). Grange members also receive a 20% discount on every other rental of the Grange Hall.

Additional membership benefits include a 20% discount for Island Air Ambulance; a 10% discount for members at the Grange booth at the San Juan Island Farmers Market, Car Quest/Lugnut Automotive, Ellison Repair (small engine and lawn mower repair), Thornbush Farm (nursery plants, eggs, produce, biochar), Archipelago Beverage Company (at the Farmers Market), High Seas Tuna (at the Farmers Market), David Geist (tile, stone, and irrigation), June Hart (interior and exterior design), M&W Auto (car rentals); and a 3% discount at Horseshu Ranch (animal feed).

Show your membership card for discounts. Membership cards are available at the Grange booth at the Farmers Market.

The San Juan Island Grange has free window stickers for member businesses to advertise member discounts. For those member businesses that are virtual, we can send you an electronic version.

Contact John at JT_Latimer@yahoo.com for more information or to get your sticker.

Letter from the President

Our Grange's vision of a resilient island of Growers, Makers and Keepers will be closer to reality with the launch of the Grange Exchange—a Granger-to-Granger marketplace.

Does your work project need a few extra hands? Do you want to preserve a season's bounty with fellow growers in the Grange kitchen? Do you have garden space to share? Are you looking to buy or sell tools and materials for resilient living? Want to unload free stuff? Need a place to live or to garden? Do you provide a service and want more customers? Put a listing in the Grange Exchange!

The Grange's 1874 Declaration of Purposes identified middlemen and monopolists as economic enemies of farmers and urged farm families to engage in cooperation. Our seed bank, our lending library of food processing and poultry equipment, our feed co-op and our market booth are all part of the Grange heritage of working together for mutual benefit.

The Grange Exchange will add to these efforts with an "unclassified ads" section of this newsletter, consisting of short statements of wants or opportunities, together with contact information on how to reach the lister. There will be no charge for this service, although some restrictions may apply. Here are two examples:

WANTED: Grange Feed Coop needs covered storage for one/two days per month with access by 40-ft truck. Sherri at sjwawater@gmail.com or 360-317-8335.

WANTED: Ads for the Grange Exchange! Email Candace at newsletter@sanjuangrange.org.

Roger Ellison, 2022 President

**GROWERS' CIRCLE
COFFEE HOUR**

AT THE GRANGE HALL
EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 8AM

Currently via Zoom

OPEN TO ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN LOCAL FOOD AND LOCAL FIBER.
COFFEE PROVIDED. TEA AS WELL, SOMETIMES.

FREE!  **SAN JUAN ISLAND
GRANGE #966**

THE GRANGE IS NONPARTISAN, AND SO IS THIS EVENT. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Grange Member Notice Board



Name Our Newsletter!

The current title of our newsletter is intended as a place holder until a final name can be found. Keep your creative juices flowing and send along your suggestions for the newsletter name to roger@thornbushfarm.com

Join the Kitchen Crew!



We continue to recruit Grange members to help plan what additional equipment should be available at the kitchen to check out or use at the Grange, to suss out what cooking skills folks might need, to plan classes around food production, and to organize food-making gatherings.

Email Nancy Best if you are interested at Nancyb1133@gmail.com

Food Dehydrators Are Here!

Our two new food dehydrators have arrived, have been tested in our Grange kitchen, and will be available for you to borrow by October 10! There will also be a third dehydrator available, donated by a generous Grange member.

The new dehydrators are made by Cosori and Septree and feature all stainless-steel, 10-tray units. The donated dehydrator is an Excalibur 9-tray unit. All three have excellent capacity and are fitted with rear-mounted fans, for uniform drying capability.

A dehydrator may be borrowed for a three-day period, with the possibility of a one-time renewal during this busy harvest time.

We are now developing a website page for rentals, where you can read the details of the equipment loan program, make a reservation, and sign out a dehydrator for a given date and time. But until that page becomes functional, you may reserve a dehydrator by emailing Lois at:

moore@stonehavenfarm.com

Grange Member Notice Board



Upcoming Grange Events

October 11 - Bi-monthly Game Night (every 2nd and 4th Tuesday night of the month) 7PM-?

October 13 - Fairvote WA presentation on Ranked Choice Voting - 6pm

October 15 - County Noxious Weed Coordinator talk on Noxious Weeds in San Juan County - 2:30pm

October 25 - Bi-monthly Game Night - 7pm-?

Questions? Contact Jessa Madosky at jessa.madosky@gmail.com

