



GRANGE GAZETTE

Of Rainbow Valley Grange

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December 2 Pizza Sales Grange Hall 4:30-7:00 pm

December 12 Christmas Party - Potluck Dinner " 6:30 pm

Community Grange meeting " " 7:00 pm

Gift Exchange to follow meeting (see below)



December 16 Pizza Sales " " 4:30-7:00 pm



January 6 Pizza Sales " " 4:30-7:00 pm

January 9 Community Grange meeting " " 7:00 pm

January 14 Bare Root Tree Sale " " 8:00 am-3:00 pm

Symposiums 10:00 am & 12 noon



January 20 Pizza Sales " " 4:30-7:00 pm

Grange Report

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At this month's meeting we will have election of officers after a potluck dinner which will start at 6:30 p.m. After the short meeting, we will do our annual gift exchange game - those who want to participate should bring a \$10 gift. We will also do a cookie swap so those who bring home-made cookies can exchange holiday treats. All members are welcome to come, and to bring a guest.

In conjunction with our bare root tree fundraiser, we are holding two free symposiums on Saturday, Jan. 14, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our very own Ray Osterberg, a certified arborist and master gardener, will talk about "Training your Trees" at 10 a.m. and Gary Bender, Ph.D., farm advisor-subtropical horticulture, will speak about "Subtropical Fruit Crops in the Fallbrook Area" at noon. A free lunch (pizza) will be provided.

The symposiums coincide with the delivery of the bare root trees. Available trees selected

specifically for the Fallbrook area include peach, plum, pomegranate, nectarine, pear, apricot, and fig, as well as blueberry bushes and table grape vines. Flowering and shade trees can also be ordered. Large individual pre-orders will be taken until Friday, Dec. 30. For a complete listing of varieties and more information, contact Ray at (760) 695-8045.

NOTE: To all members who receive this newsletter in the mail - our Grange is going green and saving paper. If we have your email address, you will only receive an emailed copy of the Gazette starting with the February -March newsletter.

If you do not receive emails from me and you have an email address, please email me at suncette@cox.net.

Those of you without computers will still receive a hard copy by snail mail.

DUES ARE DUE - 2012 dues are still \$31 for adults, \$9 for youth 21 & younger, \$62 for the family plan. Please send payment to 210 W. Vermont Ave. #106, Escondido, CA 92025, checks made out to Rainbow Valley Grange. Thank you.

Lecturer

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Last month I was going through some boxes and came across paperwork for San Diego County Pomona Grange. Among them was a homemade CWA handbook. The first page has the Pledge to the Flag. "under God," is added in above One Nation, Indivisible, and Revised 1954 is at the bottom. Page 2 has the Opening and Closing Prayers which are the same as those said during our Community Grange meetings today.

On the third page are two songs (shown here exactly as they appear in the booklet):

GOOD MORNING SISTER GRANGERS

Good Morning, Sister Grangers,
We've come from far and near
To work and play together
In pleasant atmosphere.
Success is our ambition,
For each in his own way

Yankee Candle Fundraising Opportunity

The National Grange recently announced a fundraising program, in conjunction with Yankee Candle. Subordinate Granges can sell specific Yankee Candle products, complete with the Grange logo and tagline, "American Values. Hometown Roots." printed on the label, for the same price as these items are sold in stores.

From each sale, a Grange will keep 25% or more of the total money earned, minus shipping cost. The program does not require any "start up capital," and has a low minimum order number of only three candles. Shipping cost are at a greatly reduced rate and all shipments will be made directly to the Grange, or designated fundraising chairperson, for distribution of product.

If you are interested in participating in this fundraiser this, let us know.

The goal of all who enter
Pomona ~~W.A.C.~~ CWA

PRAYER

Our Father, we pray
For strength through the day
To shoulder our burdens,
Smiling all way.
May we ever be
Faithful unto Thee,
Spreading joy to others
With love and charity.

(Words and Music by Laura Cooper)
1949-1950

The following pages include songs for each of the Granges in existence at that time: Encinitas, Valley Center, Julian, San Diego Harbor, Pauma Valley, as well as Rainbow Valley, Ramona, San Marcos and Vista. Other songs are also included. I will have a couple of them in each issue for the coming year. They are a nice snapshot of a long ago time.

Ramona Grange News



The Ramona Grange held its 3rd annual **Harvest Festival** on Saturday Oct. 15th. The popular Chicken Plop and Crowing Contests were joined this year by a successful Rural, Backcountry Photo Exhibition and Live Animal Display (2 horses and a heifer). Poultry and Goat tables provided needed information about these rewarding backyard farming projects to interested community members.