



GRANGE GAZETTE

Of Rainbow Valley Grange

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January 2018

Thurs., January 18

Meeting @ grange hall

7 p.m.

Wed., February 14*

Meeting @ grange hall

7 p.m.

**Tentative date & time*

What's happening at our Grange.....

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We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. We ended the year with two hall rentals in December and have one coming up this month. Here's to a prosperous 2018.

Thank you to those members who have already paid their 2018 dues:

Brendan, Rosalind, Madison, Andrew, Shavonne, Kiera and Kendra Donoghue
Ed, Cynthia and Aspen Kowski
Lucette and Suzy Moramarco

Dues (\$36.00) checks should be made out to **Rainbow Valley Grange** and sent to Suzy Moramarco, 868 E. Alvarado St. #37 Fallbrook, CA 92028.

If you will not be renewing your membership, please notify our secretary, Suzy, at suncette@gmail.com or 760-855-1529 (leave a message please).

In our last newsletter, we mentioned having an Artists Swap Meet in November. This event was postponed until February 24 (tentatively). Booth rentals will be free. This event will take place inside the grange hall. If you, or someone you know, has extra artist

supplies of any type (including scrapbooking) that you would like to sell, contact me to reserve a space.

At our meeting this month, we will be electing officers for 2018-2019 (two year terms). Nominations will be accepted for every office.

Note the new meeting day for this month's meeting, the third Thursday. This date was chosen as the one most of the members at December's meeting would be able to attend. As we have not been having very good attendance at our meetings, a new meeting day/time will be discussed. If you are unable to come to the meeting, but would like to make a suggestion, please email me.

Also, if you have any ideas for possible workshops, speakers and/or demonstrations let me know. The more people we can get into the grange hall the better chances we have of gaining new members. These activities can be held at various times and days—during the week or during a weekend.

The hall can also be used for any community service events you would like to hold there and need help with. Just let us know.

Secretary's Report

Suzy Moramarco, Secretary, suncette@ gmail.com

We lost two members this last quarter, so our membership is shrinking. To help cut down on expenses, we have unplugged the freezer to lower the hall's SDG&E bill.

To try to attract more renters, a Hall Rental Brochure has been created to advertise our hall. These brochures have been placed at the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce. All local members should have some of them on hand to give out. Please come to our meeting or contact me to get the brochures.

Rentals are our main income and we had only one renter this summer. The hall insurance bill is coming due the end of October and our bank account does not have enough to cover it right now, so we will need to hold a fundraiser or two.

Lucette and I held a yard sale at the grange last month. We collected \$50 in rental spaces.

We are thinking of having a pizza and wine tasting dinner fundraiser. Lucette and I will handle the pizza part if someone else will recruit wineries to provide the wine for the tasting. Or we can do two separate events.

Let us know if you can help, or if you have any other ideas for both fundraisers and ways to attract more members.

If you know anyone who could give a talk or workshop that people would come to, that would help.

We are also planning an Artist Swap Meet in November. If you, or anyone you know, has unused or leftover art supplies and would like to sell them let us know. Paints, brushes, canvases, scrapbooking materials, etc. are all welcome. Grange members get a discount on their space fee.

Left, Sonoma County Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa.