The Flame

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The Grange: Our Community Gathering Spot

Drive through almost any rural community in Oregon and you'll find a large plain building, usually pretty run down, and if you look closely, you'll find a sign identifying it as a grange. Back in the 40s and through the 60s, granges were active and important to the communities. People weren't as mobile as they are now, and you didn't just hop in the car and drive to town on a whim. One of the main draws for the grange members was getting cheap insurance through the grange but, as times changed, people drifted away from attending the regular monthly meetings. Membership dwindled.

As things stand now, the **Camas Valley Grange** is in danger of closing. A few things that many folks don't know: the grange building is not owned locally, it is owned by the State Grange. Membership dues, in the amount of $50/year, are sent to the State Grange. Monthly expenses to cover electricity, insurance and such are paid by each individual grange, and in Camas Valley, this amounts to roughly $200/month. At this time, the small handful of people who have been holding the grange together are, to put it bluntly, old and tired. They do not want to see the grange disappear, but they can't continue to keep it going.

At the last grange meeting enough enthusiasm was generated to get some great ideas flowing. Currently, four members are making plans for some activities that will hopefully generate enough money to maintain the grange while other options are investigated. The first event will be a community dinner on **October 27**. The grange will provide meat and beverages and the rest of the meal will be a potluck. There will be door prizes and desserts. We want this to be affordable for everyone, yet we do need the financial support so we are pricing meals at $5 per trip through the line. A special family rate will be available.



Back in its heyday, there were frequent events like this at the grange and it was a great way to spend an evening with friends and neighbors, get caught up on the local goings on, show off new babies, congratulate the newlyweds, get out of the house, and eat somebody else's cooking. This a great opportunity for people to get together for a craft night, a cooking club, classes and some slower, relaxed evenings.

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this month.

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1200 Westside Road
Camas Valley, OR 97416

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Winston-Dillard Food Pantry News

It may be hard to believe, but cold weather is just around the corner. The time to go through the closet/ attic/ spare room is here to discover, in Erma Bombeck parlance, "the belts too small to go around." Be it growing kids or adults' shape-shifting, this annual ritual is always surprising and usually disconcerting. Make lemonade out of those lemons and donate gently used warm clothing to the **Winston-Dillard Food Pantry.** Our clients would be so pleased (and warm) with those items! What a win-win situation—reduces the clutter in your closets and keeps someone warm.

Call **Vonnie Wallace** at **541-445-2355** or let her know you are leaving items at the Camas Valley Post Office.

W-D Food Pantry
c/o Vonnie Wallace
1200 Westside Rd



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The Flame is a monthly publication of the Camas Valley Rural Fire District Auxiliary. The mission of this newsletter is to keep the residents of Camas Valley informed about the events and activities of the fire department, churches, school and civic organizations that are in Camas Valley.

The Flame is provided free to all residents of Camas Valley by mail and anywhere by email.

To submit articles:

Items must be in by the 25th

Submit to:

Jan Baker at **541-680-5616**
Judith Wickham at **541-733-6940**
jwickham52@gmail.com or
150 Buck Springs Rd. Camas Valley



Email Flame issues are handy!

Email allows you to keep friends and family that have left the valley to keep up with the events that affect this community. **Or maybe you would just like to get the Flame (in color!) early, by the 26th.**

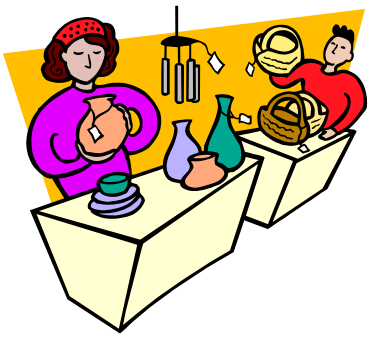
Send name and email address to:

jwickham52@gmail.com

and an electronic copy will be sent to them each month, **free**.

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We want to bring those times back, so we're hoping to have a community gathering of some sort every month or so, at least until summer when it's too hard to get people together. We have so far decided on a craft fair, a baked potato and game night, a dinner for the high school athletes, and probably a pie social. We are trying to get as much material donated as possible so we can keep the price of the meals down to $5.



As always, the grange is available for rental for private events such as family reunions, weddings, baby and bridal showers, memorial services. Rental fees are very reasonable and there are plenty of tables and chairs for use, bathrooms and a kitchen. **Regular meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm.** If you have ideas or would like to get involved in any way, we encourage you to come to a meeting. And just so you know, these meetings are not stuffy boring meetings with lots of ritualistic stuff. There is lots of laughing and fun! And we definitely hope to see you at the first of hopefully many community dinners on **October 27 from 6:00 to 8:00.**

Saving this grange and this building is worth some effort from all of us. Where in this world can you get a great meal for only $5? The ladies who are trying to make this happen are:

- Maryjean Anderson (541-643-8889),
- Kristi Moniz (541-643-9431),
- Lori Ross (541-637-9774), and
- Diane Casteel (541-643-8557)

Feel free to contact them in regards to any of the above-mentioned events.

Race Season is almost over!

Circle **Saturday, October 8th** on your calendar, race fans!

A ***Double Header*** day of drag races will top off the Camas Valley drag season with

- Tech-In from **7-9 am** and
- Drag racing starting at **9:30**.



Then head over to **Coos Bay Speedway** for some more mud drags! Speedway races begin at **4 pm.**

Check out the flyer at **Market Plus**

Pyros birthday calendars



The Pyro's Birthday Calendars are in! Please pick up your prepaid calendar from the **Market Plus.**

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Skeleton
Candy
Scary
Monster
Haunted House





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October

What I really want from Music:
That it be cheerful and profound like
an afternoon in October.
Friedrich Nietzsche

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 **Fire Dept. Training7pm**	4 **Grange business mtg. 6 pm Grange Hall**	5 Booster Club 6:30 pm Deli Market	6	7 No school (Inservice)	8
9	10 **Fire Dept. Board Mtg. 5** **Fire Dept. Training7pm**	11	12	13 Outpost Mobile Pantry 1-3 pm Free community clothes closet 1-3 Fellowship Parking lot	14 No school	15
16	17 **Fire Dept. Training7pm**	18	19	20 School Bd. Mtg. 7 pm	21 No school	22
23	24 **Fire Dept. Training7pm**	25	26	27 Outpost Mobile Pantry 1-3 pm	28 No school (Grading day)	20
30	31  **Fire Dept. Training7pm**			**Grange Dinner 6-8** Qtr. ends		



Don't Forget! The Outpost is Back!

Remember, the Outpost is offering pantry items here in Camas Valley twice a month-the Thursday of the first full week of the month and 2 weeks later.

Free Community Clothes Closet

When: 1:00 - 3:00 pm,

First Thursday following the first Monday of the month.

Where: Parking lot of Camas Valley Christian Fellowship

What: Providing free clothes for the community.

Why: Because we love you!

For clothing emergencies please call (503) 302-6323.

We can:

- pick up items,
- meet you or
- you may drop off items .

We accept clean gently used clothes, bedding, small appliances etc.





Camas Valley Business Directory

To have your business included in the **Flame**, please fill out the form below and mail or email it to the address listed. *If you missed the opportunity to get your business listed, now is the time to get your information out before our readers!*

The directory will be printed when space allows through-out the year. We encourage our readers to patronize local businesses and support your neighbors!

Type of Business
_____

Name of Business
_____

Owner/Contact person
_____

Phone Number(s)
_____

Days open_____

Hours open_____

Mail form to: Judith Wickham
150 Buck Springs Rd.
Camas Valley, OR 97416

Or email information to :
jwickham52@gmail.com

Do you have a new business in the valley? Have you expanded your business services? Is there information about your business that you need to get out to valley residents? While **THE FLAME** is a non-profit publication and cannot advertise, we can *inform* our readers about what services you offer, changes in your business, etc.

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Alpacas, stock/fiber/ merchandise

Turkey Gulch Alpacas
LaVon Newman
Sun.-Sat., 10-5
541-445-0804

Animal caretaker

The Animal Caretaker
Offering Pet/livestock care when you are on vacation
Elissa Eckman
(541)784-6428

Art, painting lessons

Lang Crk Studio
Kay Ganieany
Mon.-Thurs.,
by appt.
541-445-2001

Auto Repair

C&C Diesel & Auto Repair
David Chadwick
M-F, 9-6
541-445-0005

Autobody repair/paint

Green Collision Repair/Horizon Autobody
Marvin & DeVoogd
M-F, 8-5
541-679-6100

Beauty

Lord and Lady Lavender
Jerry Ashford
Online 24/7
lordandladylavender.com
Anytime
408-857-8782

Nails by Crystal
Crystal Cummings
541-643-7253
Thurs.—Sun., 9-4

Scissor Trix
Jennie Plikat
By appt.
541-733-1919
Or in Green at 4886 Grange Rd.
541-236-7086

Christmas trees, U-cut / wholesale

Calico Christmas Trees
Shari White
Nov. & Dec.
7 days/wk 9-4:30
541-445-2350
541-670-0458

Construction, building

AMSI
Bill Lindsey
Mon.-Sat., 8-7
541-643-0366

Dump truck/rock haul

Kevin Wilson Trucking
Kevin & Michelle Wilson
541-670-6589
541-430-9851

Electrical Contractor

Alan Sabin Electric
Alan Sabin
Generac generator Sales/maintenance/ Installation/repair
M-S 7am-6pm
541-440-3792
541-445-2070

Eng. consulting design/ drafting

TV Design, LLC
Troy I. Vanderhoof, P.E.
M-F, 9:00-17:00
541-643-0138

Fire Equipment

Dia-Cast Fire Equipment
Sales and Rentals
Don/Diane Casteel
541-643-8556

Garbage Disposal

Camas Valley Disposal
Scott & Darla Standley
Wkly. Wed. pick-up
541-445-2245
541-445-2055

Handcrafted gifts

Country Crafts & Graphics
Janna Vanderhoof
M-F, 9-5 or appt.
541-643-1934

Handcrafted gifts, cont.

Frosted Treasure Designs
Lori Ross
541-637-9774
Frostedtreasuredesign @gmail.com

Handyman, lawn/garden equipment

Quiet Mtn. Tinker
Mike Moore
By appointment
541-580-2524

Health and wellness

Plexus worldwide Supplements
Charman Shields
541-430-3600
www.plexusslim.com/ charmanshields

Horses

Boarding/consult/train

Blue & Gold Stock Farm
Every day, 10-5
541-430-4225

Housekeeping

Maid in the Shade
Lisa Muller
541-430-1974

Local Artist, consignment

Local Art
Toby Teachman
Open anytime (within reason) Ring door bell on shop or call
541-243-3315

Locksmith, keys /locks

Camas Valley Key Shop
Bruce Jehning
7days/wk
24 hr. emerg.
541-445-2014

Machine quilting

Quiet Mtn. Quilting
Missy Jackson
Appt/consult
541-696-5562 (h)
541-671-3174 (c)

Sew Fun
Linda Underhill
Call **541-580-2814**

Music

Charity Rose Music
Vocal & Instrumental (piano/guitar/ukulele/ others) All ages.
541-643-1872
charityrosemusic@ gmail.com

Parker Piano
Lessons for all ages
LeAnn Parker
541-671-3238

Notary/Post Office

CV Post Office
Vickie Farmer
M-F 8-3 Sat 10-2
541-445-2177
541-643-5059

Portable sawmill service

Backwoods Custom Milling
Harvey Saul
541-671-1993

Real Estate, broker

Berkshire Hathaway Homeservices Real Estate Professionals
J.T. Berk
541-430-6078

Rental, Storage,

BK Mini Storage
Ketti & Bill Walker
7 days/wk.,
daylight-dark
541-445-2902

Septic systems

Lounsbury Const. & Excavation
Richard Lounsbury
541-505-4685

Sewer/underground utilities/roads/pads

Scott Standley Const.
Scott & Darla Standley
Mon.-Sat., 8-5
541-445-2245

Small engine repair

Hunt's Chainsaw
Theran Hunt
Mon.-Fri.
541-430-7283

Camas Valley Churches

Camas Valley Missionary Church	Camas Valley Christian Fellowship	Camas Valley United Methodist
Sunday	Sunday	Sunday
Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am	Morning Worship & Sunday School 10:00 am	Morning Worship & Children's Sunday School 9:00 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am	Monday	Fellowship w/ beverages and snacks 10:00 am
Youth Church 11:00 am	Intercessory Prayer 9:00 am	
Wednesday	Youth Group 6:30 pm	
Bible Study 10:00 am		

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