

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR



2021

GRANGE BOOTH RULES AND GUIDELINES

John Schaefer, Superintendent

2021 FAIR THEME:

“Let’s All Go to the Fair”

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AWARDS

TRADITIONAL

A rotating trophy, donated by Radio station KELA/KMNT is awarded to the outstanding Traditional display in the Grange Department at the Southwest Washington Fair. This award has been given continuously since 1946. The winning Grange has possession of the trophy until the following year's fair.

CONTEMPORARY

A rotating trophy, donated by A WARDS WEST is given to the outstanding Contemporary display in the Grange Department at the Southwest Washington Fair. This trophy remains with the winning Grange until the following year's fair.

A plaque is donated annually by THE FARM STORE in Chehalis, Washington to the CONTEMPORARY Grange display receiving the highest score for ARRANGEMENT. This plaque is given permanently to the winning Grange.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Granges wishing to enter this contest pay a \$10.00 entry fee. Lewis County Pomona Grange #3 matches the entry fee total. Mail check to Lewis County Pomona Grange #3 at:

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The Traditional booth and Contemporary booth receiving the highest score from voters visiting Grange Aisle during fair week will split the entry fees equally.

This amount varies according to number of fair booth entries.

GENERAL RULES

The intent and purpose of your Fair Booth is to create a display that shows the variety and quality of Lewis County Agriculture. Many times these booths educate as to the product used and produced on your farms. It is preferred that all items have been made or harvested in Lewis County.

- Grange booths portray agricultural life and quality. The educational value and manner in which it is shown is the major part of judging.
 - In order to maintain quality displays, the Southwest Washington Fair pays every exhibit.
 - Maintenance and supervision of the Grange Aisle is expected during the Fair. Participating Granges will provide persons to patrol each day of the Fair.
- All produce in all booths must be checked for spoilage and replaced during the Fair by the exhibitors.

Being a good neighbor is a large part of agricultural life. Exhibitors need to assist each other by:

- Not crowding beyond assigned space with exhibit or setup room
- Completing all carpentry before 8:00pm **Sunday** prior to the Fair
- Not using decorations, lights, etc. that hide or detract from adjacent booths
- Completing the display by 8:00pm **Monday** before the Fair opens on Tuesday.

Do not decorate the gates/ropes

Two or more Granges may join together in a booth if so desired. All booths must be designed and constructed by Lewis County Grangers.

JUNIOR GRANGE

This is an opportunity for junior members to display their activities and workmanship, and to compete with other Junior Granges. The same general rules, intents and purposes exist for the Juniors as well as other Granges. However, ages of the Juniors should be considered by the judges.

Junior Grange booths are to be designed and created by children between the ages of 5 and 14 and should portray their activities, goals and interests. Adult assistance must be limited to instruction and supervision. Adults are advisors; not participants in the work of putting in a booth. Remember this is a Junior Project.

The booth itself is a craft project. This booth may follow the Fair theme.

Junior Grange Booth Scorecard:

Theme (objective) -----	200
Design, attractiveness and appeal -----	200
Originality, Educational Value -----	400
Quality of workmanship -----	<u>200</u>
Total Points	1000

PREMIUMS

1 st Place	90 – 100 points	\$60.00
2 nd Place	80 – 90 points	\$40.00
3 rd Place	70 – 80 points	\$20.00

Junior Granges are not based on competition but quality. Judges may set levels of quality for blue or red. Rosettes will be awarded according to scores. No crafts or trophies from other fairs or contests.

THEME

The theme of a display should unite the total display. It serves as a focal point, an attraction, but most of all, creates a comfortable feeling and conveys a message.

The central theme of any Grange booth is to portray agriculture in our area. A means of doing this is the Fair theme.

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FAIR THEME

The 2021 Fair Theme: "Let's All Go to the Fair" may be used. The booth must tell an agricultural or Grange story. For more information, contact the Grange Superintendent:

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ATTRACTIVENESS – 200 points

Does it draw attention?

Size, color, movement, sound and light in unique or uncommon circumstances draws attention. Keep it simple, even if it is a combination of there. A pink cow is attention; however, if it talked and moored, it would be more so. Do not have too many attention getters unless they appear as one. Think of loading a wagon. Will it ride good or will it tip and sway?

Does it have balance in color?

Color balance is like weight and mass balance. A single color should not appear just once. A color should follow through in a recognizable line or reappear in a different amount. The fewer colors, the easier to create an attractive display.

Are products used of good quality?

Uniform quality makes a comfortable display. An outstanding piece of work will detract from good pieces. Poor work and workmanship is recognizable by everyone. Do not try to get by. It will be noticeable.

Does it have effective lighting?

All booths have good lighting. However, additional spot lights to focal points may highlight parts of your display. A more common problem is one of creating shadows and hiding a part of the display. Do not use materials higher than booth walls. They block the view from either side.

Does it have balance in arrangement?

PREMIUMS

1 st Place	-----	\$150.00
2 nd Place	-----	\$125.00
3 rd Place	-----	\$100.00

The following lists and instructions are provided to assist your display, and to explain the judging. Remember, these are minimums and additional items may be included to assist design, theme, or educational value of the booth. Additional items may detract from your score if inferior to other items!

Check booths for spoilage during Fair Week and replacements must be made as needed, especially berries.

THRESHED SEEDS – Containers must be uniform in size and shape. Use as many as needed for balance and arrangement.

1. Wheat
2. Barley
3. Oats
4. Rye
5. Corn
6. Beet
7. Sunflower
8. Any grass (clover, timothy)
9. Any Garden Vegetables (peas, beans)
10. Tree Seeds
11. Any Other

♦ All seeds must be labeled.

CONTEMPORARY BOOTH

This category is available for those Granges with varying resources of time, people, facilities or a special subject interest. A freedom of materials, theme, and the opportunity to vary display, create an active alternative for many Granges.

Contemporary Booth Scorecard:

Central Theme (objective)	200
Attractiveness	200
Educational Value	400
Arrangement	<u>200</u>
Total Points	1 000

The contemporary booths share the major objectives of the Grange Department: to show the value and traditions of agricultural life in Lewis County. The judges' scorecards try to measure this.

PREMIUMS

1 st Place -----	\$100.00
2 nd Place -----	\$ 90.00
3 rd Place -----	\$ 80.00
4 th Place -----	\$ 60.00
5 th Place -----	\$ 40.00
All Other -----	\$ 30.00
(Ribbons awarded 1 st – 8 th Place)	

FRUITS - Use as many of each variety as necessary to provide balance in the overall display.

1. Apples – 2 varieties of apples required; stems required
2. Pears – stems required
3. Prunes/Plums – stems required
4. Crabapples – stems required
5. Grapes (green or mature)
6. Any kind berry (each tray/container counts as one)
7. Quince (leaves optional)
8. Any variety nut – (each tray/container count as one); may be in or out of shell

Judging – All fruit is judged on its edible quality; free of blemish injury, disease, and uniformity of size and color are major factors in judging. Immaturity in not a factor but must be marketable.

Prunes are not to be polished??? **What is the rule on polishing/polishing fruits???**

It is preferred that all are grown in Lewis County.

VEGETABLES – Use whatever number of each you wish, but remember – **Balance in the display.**

1. Squash – 1-2" stem, clean
2. Pumpkin – 1-2" stem, clean
3. Cauliflower – 1-2" stem, clean
4. Cabbage – protective layer optional
5. Broccoli
6. Brussel sprouts – protective layer optional
7. Turnip - 1- 1½" top, clean, mature, clip root
8. Carrot - 1- 1½" top, clean, mature, clip root
9. Table beet - 1- 1½" top, clean, mature, clip root
10. Rutabaga – do not scrub
11. Potato – do not scrub