



# Granger Chamber of Commerce 2020 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Newsletter

## Farmer's Market

Farmer's Market is back! We will be going all summer on Thursday afternoons from 4:00 to 7:00 pm.

Customers should know that we are doing all the best practices to make the Market as safe as possible to visit - our vendors are all wearing masks, we have extra spacing, we have a sanitizer spray station for vendors and customers to sanitize their hands if they wish, along with a hand washing station, and access to KDNA's restrooms. The Market also got an allotment of paper masks via County Health. These masks are available at the Market Manager booth if a customer or a vendor wishes to use a mask.

This year SNAP cards are being matched by double all across Washington State. If a customer uses their card for \$10, the market will add \$10 more.

**See you on Thursday!**

## School District News

The Granger School District has had a school year like no other. Starting March 16th schools were shut down state-wide due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Our staff met these challenging times by responding positively and engaging with students and families through distance learning.

There are several positives in our district that occurred in spite of the shutdown. We handed out many meals to students in need, and will do so through the month of June. Also, we are proud to announce that the district graduated 91 seniors this year, way to go Seniors! Our virtual graduation commencement can be viewed online at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I7OxkPH5WwA&feature=youtu.be>

## 2020 Chamber of Commerce Annual Award Winners

***Certified School District Employees of the Year***

Dr. Sarah Gardiner and Shari Parrish

***Classified School District Employee of the Year***

Julio Ramirez

***Scholarship Recipient***

Israel Betancourt

***Outstanding Young Woman of the Year***

Kaitlyn Araya Roettger

***Outstanding Young Man of the Year***

Israel Betancourt

***City Employee of the Year***

Vicente Medelez

***Community Volunteer of the Year***

Jon and Cathy Klarich

***Business of the Year***

Leo's Automotive

***Chamber Member of the Year***

Carniceria La Candelaria

## Alumni Association Scholarship Recipients

Israel Betancourt - \$2000

Reesah Garza - \$2000

Karime Torres - \$2000

Kaitlyn Roettger - \$2000

Viktorya Torres - \$1500

Liliana Hernandez - \$1000

Nicolas Chavez - \$1000

Linda Martinez - \$1000

Ruth Cantu - \$1000

Pedro Caballero - \$1000

# President's Note

Greetings Chamber Members! I hope that you are enduring this season and continuing to stay safe. Please continue to support our local businesses and continue to encourage each other as we strive to get back to "normal".

While we were saddened that most of our community events have been cancelled this year, including our own Menudo Festival and Annual Awards Banquet & Silent Auction, we do have some good news for you!

First off, Farmer's Market is back at KDNA every Thursday from now through September from 4-7pm! It may look slightly different due to COVID-19 restrictions but you can still stop by and pick up some wonderful stuff from our local vendors.

Next, our General Meetings are currently on hold but we are excited to begin meeting as soon as we are able to do so. Keep watching your email and social media for details of our our return!

Also, the Chamber of Commerce promotes the economic growth and quality of life in Granger and its surrounding community. Primarily this is done through our financial support to our community. We enjoy being able to give a \$1000 college scholarship to a graduating senior at Granger High School as well as partnering with local clubs & businesses, the city of Granger, and Granger School district. Each year we look for more opportunities to give back to our community. Membership dues, our awards banquet & auction as well as Menudo Festival generate much of the resource that is poured back into the community.

With this being said, we would like to give you the opportunity to invest in our community while bringing home some incredible items. We have many different businesses and individuals who have donated items for our auction and we will be making these items available for an ONLINE AUCTION starting JUNE 26! Here is what you need to know:

- The online auction will run from JUNE 26th- JULY 10th.
- Payments must be made online on the auction platform
- Auction items will be available for pick up at Granger Assembly of God beginning July 11th. Please call (509) 840-4213 to schedule a time to pick up your items.
- Delivery is not available so items that are won must be PICKED UP. Please bring confirmation with you.
- Below is a link for the auction. You can preview items before hand. Please help us by sharing this link with friends and family on all the social media and communication platforms that you use.

[www.charityauctionstoday.com/auctions/2020-granger-chamber-of-commerce-auction-12481](http://www.charityauctionstoday.com/auctions/2020-granger-chamber-of-commerce-auction-12481)

Thank you for all that you do to make this community so special. Continue to be safe and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Blessings!  
Laurence Guisinger - President, Granger Chamber of Commerce

## Some of our auction items:

There are 58 items to bid on this year, here are just a few!

\$1000  
Gift  
Card-  
Courd'  
Alene  
Resort



Wine/  
Charcuterie  
Set



Wine  
and Spa  
Day



Custom  
Fire  
Pit

## Business Members:

- A+ Styles and Cuts
- Anytime Fitness
- Assembly of God Church
- Bos Ag Sales
- C & H Trucking Academy
- Cargill
- Carniciera la Candelaria
- Chandler Ent. Inc.
- Chandler Ranches LLC
- Cherry Hill Golf/Pizza
- City of Granger
- Classic Trophies
- Community Seeds
- Cool Mart
- CRAVE Coffee
- Dino Wash
- Dispute Resolution Center
- Early Childhood Center
- Fred Lopez Farm
- Granger Alumni Association
- Granger Athletic Boosters
- Granger Clay Pits
- Granger Farmer's Market
- Granger Food Bank
- Granger Grid Kids
- Granger Historical Society
- Granger School District
- Granger Self Storage
- Granger Travel Plaza
- Hagadone Directories
- Hooked Up
- Impact Directories
- Inspire Development
- KDNA/NCEC
- Key Bank
- Klarich Creation
- La Favorita
- Learning Care
- Leo's Automotive
- Lion's Club Granger
- Los Naranjos Bakery
- LV Credit Union
- Metal & Iron Artistry
- Neighborhood Health
- O.L. Luther Co.
- OIC of Washington
- Pacific Power
- Quality Liquid Feeds
- Skylar Education Academy
- Spartan Sports Complex
- Su Mercadito #2
- U.S. Bank
- We Finance Auto Sales
- Yakima Bait Co.
- Yakima Housing Authority

Community Members:  
Ken and Sandi Fein  
Chuck and Jo Klarich  
Jim Honeyford

## Board of Directors:

- President:** Laurence Guisinger  
*Granger Assembly of God*
- Vice President:** Jose Trevino  
*Mayor- City of Granger*
- Secretary:** Margarita Lopez  
*Lopez Farms*
- Treasurer:** Jo Klarich  
*Community Member*
- Past President:** Gilbert Alaniz  
*KDNA/NCEC*
- Board Members:**
  - Helen Dodd
  - Granger Alumni Association
  - Sandi Fein
  - Community Member
  - Lilia Villareal
  - Granger Food Bank
  - Roy Cardenas
  - Community Member