

WALTERVILLE GRANGE NEWS

THE THING By Jim Hampton

On April 16th we hosted a play night at the Walterville Community Center. London Grange and Goshen Grange joined us along with over 40 other people from the community. Our play was called 'The Thing'

written by James L. Hampton, one of his best works. Six Grangers were in the play plus one very excellent director, prompter and understudy stand in as well as the author, who played one of the parts. Many of our other Grangers helped provide refreshments for the attendees and cast after the plays. It was a wonderful night of good old time fun and we are already looking forward to next year.

Jeff Dehne played Orval, who's celebrating his birthday; Rowena Miller played Orval's wife Gertie, who has trouble shopping at the grocery store; Tyler Manthei played Homer, Orval and Gertie's first son, who needs a bigger allowance; Alison Hennes played Pinky, the daughter who is still in college after 25 years; Denise

Don't ever stop and open it up
That's my advice to you
Cause you'll never get rid of the
... No matter what you do

Bishop played the friendly neighbor Betty Lou, who stops by with a present for Orval; Elaine Riley played Aunt Matilda (93 years old), who attempts to give Orval a fruit cake for his birthday, and James L. Hampton played Uncle

Seymour, who introduces our family of players to The Thing.



CHILI FEED AND OTHER EVENTS Grangers Helping the Community

It has been a busy year already. The fun started in December when the Holiday Dinner and Open House got snowed out and delayed one week. It finally came together on December 17th and we served over 100 people a full holiday dinner with all the trimmings. Later we gathered around the Christmas tree on December 23rd and exchanged gifts in a double blind draw, one steal allowed and then shared a pot luck dessert. January was full of Leadership Seminars and County Conferences to get us all on the same page for the year and answer questions for new officers. On February 21st we served our annual Chili Feed with Jim Carlson's famous homemade chili. This is a wonderful mid-winter break to get

old friends together and see how they are making it through the winter. It is also a chance to make new friends.

April 19th the second annual Walterville Community Easter Egg hunt took place. Over 1200 eggs were hidden along with 8 golden eggs with a gold dollar inside. It took 20 minutes to hide them and only 10 for the kids to find them all.

On May 11th we hosted the Mother's Day Breakfast. The new buffet style (pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, sausage, fruit and drinks) of serving kept things simple and moving fast. Over 300 people enjoyed the full breakfast as we honored our Moms for their devotion and love. We had 28 volunteers that helped throughout the breakfast. In the

picture are our youngest (and fastest) volunteers.



Back Row: Ani, Jacob, and Jacob, front row: Monika and Luke. Not pictured was our own Tyler Manthei.

Thanks to all who made this happen! Next up is Father's Day on June 15th. Let us know if you would like to help us provide this service to the community.

On June 21st and 22nd there will be a garage sale at the Hall. We are asking for donations of house hold goods. The proceeds from the sale will go for the scholarship fund and building maintenance.

We will cap off the summer with the Community Fair on September 6th. This will be a great time to see what your neighbors have been growing in their gardens or crafts they enjoy making with their hands.

2014 Walterville Waddle 5K



The 2nd annual Walterville Waddle takes place 8 am, Saturday, September 6, 2014 as part of the Walterville Community Fair. The 5 kilometer (3.1 mile) run/walk/waddle starts and finishes in the field west of the Community Hall. The loop course winds through local streets, farm lanes and along the scenic Walterville Canal. Walkers and runners of all ages and abilities are invited to join the fun. Proceeds from the event help support the Community Hall. New for 2014 will be race day timing by Eclectic Edge Racing from Eugene. For more information about the Waddle contact Greg Clift of McKenzie River Nursery at 541-747-2767 or visit the Walterville Waddle Facebook page.

HELPFUL HINTS

With Mother's day behind us and chances of any more freezes to control pests is gone, now would be the time to treat your pets for fleas and worms. McKenzie Feed and Pet Supply & Saddlery and McKenzie Feed and Tackle are celebrating our 10 year anniversary JUNE 13-14-15. We would like to thank all Grange members for your continued support with a 5% discount. As you look around your yard and garden and wonder what you want to plant this spring, remember to check in at Herrick's Farms or McKenzie River Nursery for ideas and advice.

WALTERVILLE GRANGE MEMBERSHIP Grangers Helping the Community

September we will be having a Granger Appreciation and Membership Month. One of the new items we have to demonstrate is the new web site, <http://www.grange.org/waltervilleor416>. We will be taking this time to show all of our Grangers how much we appreciate them and invite more of our neighbors to join us for family fun while we support the community. Contact Jeff Dehne at 541-746-9974 or jcdehne@hotmail.com

OTHER EVENTS IS OUR COMMUNITY

There are some other fun events coming up in our community. Just a couple are the Lavender Festival, July 11th through 13th at McKenzie River Lavender, and the Chainsaw Art Festival, August 14th through 17th at the new Blue River Track. Let us know if there are any others that we can help you get the word out on.

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