

# Tualatín Historical Society Quarterly Newsletter

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Founded in 1986, the Society's mission is to preserve, promote and interpret the rich and colorful history of Tualatin



Save the Date...
Evening Program

"The Palouse Hills in Eastern Washington: Collateral Fallout From 2.5 Million Years of Ice Age Floods"

> Thursday, July 20 7:00 pm Tualatin Heritage Center



Come hear Alan Busacca, Ph.D. and Emeritus Professor, Washington State University talk about the research on repeated episodes of megafloods in the Channeled Scabland, not just from 20,000 to 15,000 years ago but episodically over probably all of the Pleistocene.

Suggested donation of \$3 per adult. Program co-sponsored by Ice Age Flood Institute Columbia Chapter and the Tualatin Heritage Center. For information, call Sylvia Thompson at 503.257.0144. www.iafi.org/lowercolumbia

#### July Means Picnic and Social Time!

The annual THS summer picnic will be at historic Tualatin Community Park's south shelter on **Wednesday**, **July 5** with gathering starting at 5:00 pm.

There will be some special entertainment and guests as well. Guests and prospective members are always welcome.

Mask and Mirror Community Theatre will be giving us a sneak preview of "Musical Comedy Murders of 1940," their November show at Calvin Presbyterian Church. Mask and Mirror uses the Heritage Center for rehearsals and will perform its Unmasked summer show "Two Doors" at the Center July 14-23.





This popular potluck replaces the usual Heritage Center monthly Wednesday meeting at 1:00 pm. Bring a dish to share and your own table service. Beverages will be provided.

For information or to volunteer to help set-up, please call Cindy Frost or Lindy Hughes at 503.885.1926.



#### Sons of American Revolution Visit THS



Step back in time with descendants of colonists who fought in the War of Independence against Great Britain. Membership in this nationwide patriotic organization is determined by genealogical records. Be prepared to see an authentic uniform worn by revolutionary soldiers as they share the stories of freedom won hard.

Join us on Wednesday, August 3 at 1:00 pm for this interesting program. For information, call 503.885.1926.

# **Original Oregonians Recognized at Tualatin Historical Society**

With drums and singing, leaders of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde on June 7 officially blessed a new interpretive sign (photo, right) at Tualatin Heritage Center that commemorates the original Atfaliti and Kalapuya who still live in our region despite removal from their homes. Tribal vice chair Cheryle Kennedy and Secretary Jon George reminded the audience of original treaties still in force today. Some 27 tribes and bands stretching from northern California to the Columbia River and from the Cascades to the Coast Range, including local Atfaliti Indians, were relocated to a small area of Yamhill and Polk Counties centered around today's city of Grand Ronde.

A highlight of the day was Sandra Lafky Carlson's gift to the Tribe of an atlatl/atlatel (both accepted spelling) found on her grandfather's farm in Tualatin several decades ago. The atlatel is a carved stone weight which may have been attached to a spear to provide more mass, leverage or stability resulting in more accuracy when it was thrown. In return, Secretary George gifted Yvonne Addington a basket necklace and Sandra with a dentalium necklace (dentalum were a type of seashell or mullosk used in indigenous commerce).

The new sign was a collaborative effort between the Tribe, Tualatin Historical Society and the City of Tualatin which handled installation. Vice Chair Kennedy opened the program with a prayer for thanksgiving and care for the environment followed by tribal drummers and singers lifting her words skyward. City councilor Robert Kellogg praised the project followed by THS board member Yvonne Addington who thanked the tribe for making the original offer to share their story. THS President Ross Baker planned and moderated the ceremonies which were preceded by a virtual tour of Tualatin historic properties and sites featured on the Society's driving guide.

The sign features a map and reminders of cultural and historical milestones which led to the much smaller reservation of some 11,200 acres today. The Confederation now has a workforce of some 1600 with its Spirit Mountain Casino providing resources for social services, education, housing, veterans affairs, and cultural and natural resource protection. The Spirit Mountain Community Fund has awarded more than \$55 million to area nonprofits since 1997.

The 27 original tribes and bands of the Grand Ronde each had its own language which evolved into Chinuk Wawa now being taught to new generations of Indian children and adults. Chachalu, its museum in Grand Ronde, is temporarily closed for renovation.





**Photo above:** Confederated Tribe Leaders of the Grande Ronde drum and sing. **Below:** Sandra Carlson presents Jon George with the atlatel found many years ago.



#### Farewell Lindy, Welcome Cindy!



After 9 years of devoted service to THS as manager of the Heritage Center, a part-time position, Lindy Hughes has decided to step away from Monday-Friday phone calls and visitors but continue volunteering in important ways. Following in her steps is another Tualatin resident with a broad background in private

sector and community service. Cindy Frost looks forward to building on the Society's track record while meeting contractual obligations to the City of Tualatin, owner of the Center. Lindy who will now have time to do some traveling with husband Bob, still plans to prepare THS quarterly newsletter if needed, help manage the website, and help with the fall auction and with Pioneer Days.

With an MS degree in community nutrition from PSU, Cindy brings experience in management, marketing, and most recently as leader of the Tualatin Chamber of Commerce "TP Brigade" after she learned that the local food pantry had only enough toilet paper to give needy families one roll a month and food stamps don't allow purchase of personal care products. For about two days/month she will continue training OHSU personnel on the latest CPR techniques. Cindy's fluent Spanish language skills will be helpful as THS reaches out to our growing Hispanic community.

"I look forward to supporting the Society's mission and meeting THS members and volunteers while soaking up Tualatin history facts wherever I can," says Cindy.

# Summer Theatre at Tualatin Heritage Center

Enjoy air conditioned comfort when Mask and Mirror Community Theatre performs their second "Unmasked" play on our stage titled "Two Doors" by Lee Blessing. This is a serious drama about an American held in captivity in the Mideast, and the vigil his wife keeps in the U.S. torn between the wishes of the government and the needs of the press to tell the story. July 14-23, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm, Sundays at 2:00 pm. No children's tickets sold. Call 503.333.1139 or contact tickets@maskandmirror.com. THS shares any profits made from these six performances.

#### 2017 THS Scholarship Winner



The scholarship committee selected 2017 Tualatin graduating senior to receive this year's award. THS members Rochelle Martinazzi and Kay Nelson presented Tualatin High School senior Sharona Shnayder (pictured below) with a \$2500 scholarship at an awards program held on June 7 at the high school. Sharona immigrated with her family from Nigeria in 2008 as a 4th grader.

She plans to attend PCC and then transfer to PSU to major in business. Congratulations, Sharona!

A huge thank you goes out to our Scholarship Committee members: Norm Parker Evie Andrews Gerry Brosy, Rochelle Martinazzi Diane Swientek Kay Gooding Christine Tunstall, and to all the donors who make this possible.



# Close Cousins: The Evolution of Sherwood

Join us on Wednesday, September 6 at 1:00 pm when



Home of the Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge

June Reynolds, Sherwood historian and author, will provide an overview of Sherwood's history and long-time ties to Tualatin. For decades, Tualatin-area residents relied on Sherwood for retail and professional services, jobs in agriculture and the cannery. For many years, some students in Tualatin had

the choice of Sherwood or Tigard for high school. June's latest book on Sherwood history is "Sherwood: "A Sense of Life and Times" She can often be found volunteering at Sherwood Historical Society's two preserved buildings during open hours and community festivals. She founded and still coordinates a unique history summer camp for children. Before retiring, she was librarian at Sherwood High School.

For information, call 503.885.1926.

# **Buffalo Chip Frisbee Makes an Impression**

An authentic buffalo chip (in this case, well preserved and shellacked) was one of many "olden days" tools and artifacts students can touch and guess what each is, thanks to Rebecca Pratt, THS member with a storehouse of museum-quality items she sets up each year for the three-day learning experience. Husband Richard Hall sets up the two huge Willowbrook Arts Camp tents on the patio and parking lot to keep participants dry as well as protected from the sun, both of which occurred again this year. Over 100 students, teachers and parent chaperones participated each day.

The 2017 Pioneer Days program was enhanced by 46 hard-working volunteers over the three days, May 31, June 1-2 (names with asterisk are retired school teachers who remember their own days in classrooms). This was our first year without Evie Andrews\* as the marm for a mock one-room school set up inside the heritage center, but she still came to ring the bell for the next class. As the new teacher, Pam Rossio\* made sure the kids followed the rules and wiped their slates clean. Outside, Timber Jim Serrill introduced a new pioneer activity this year: knot tying. Colleen Nyberg\* brought her looms and showed the childen how to weave. Gary Rogers spent all three days listening to tin hammering. Ten (yes 10) New Seasons Market employees volunteering were Leslie, Roxy, Selena, Joshua, Penny\*, Sabrina, Tamera, Sylvia, Johnny and Flaka. THS president Ross Baker really got into his role as toll gate keeper by letting his beard grow and donning sinister black clothing. City of Tualatin staff Jackie Konen and Tom Steiger helped out with planting in the garden. Assisting in various learning centers Barbara Stinger\*, Lindy Hughes, Arne and Colleen Nyberg\*, Rosie Nyberg, Larry\* and Ellie\* McClure, Rochelle Martinazzi, Marianne Ryder, Sandra Carlson\*, Christine Tunstall\*, Rochelle Wandzura\*, Shari Nyberg, Charlie and Sally Arvidson, Robert Kellogg, Mike Hannegan, Gerry Brosy (button and needle preparation), Doreen Knoll\*, Mary Fay\*, Emily Bartlett, Ted and Tami Weitman, Angie Acuevas, Pam Brown\* and Rosemary Carlsen\*. Norm Parker, Gerry Tunstall and Gary Rogers helped with set up and tear down. Lindy Hughes arranged the tasty lunch breaks each day.

As you see any of these folks at THS or around town, give them a big thank you for another successful history learning experience!

# Unedited Thank You Letter from a Fourth grader:

Pioneer Days each year officially ends with thank you notes from the kids. And one in particular stood out this spring, 4th grade spelling and all:

Dear Heritage Society, June 5th, 2017

Thank you for planning all this fun for us! My favorite part was tieing the knots. (I googled Timber Jim by the way) And washing the clothes. But I ABSOLOUTLY loved the schoolhouse. The buffalo chip was funny to touch/hold. Can you believe they played frizzbee with that thing?!?! I liked having my mom there.

Sincerely, Sophie Tualatin Elementary





**Photos above:** Young pioneer boys doing laundry the old-fashioned way. Heritage Center's main room transformed to a school house of long ago.

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#### Dear Friends,

On Friday evening, September 15, the Tualatin Historical Society (non-profit 501(c)3 Federal ID # 94-3090360) will be holding our ninth annual fundraiser at the Tualatin Heritage Center featuring Northwest wines, beer, delicious food, raffle and silent auction. Our auction theme is "Locally grown...preserving the history of Tualatin".

We are in the process of planning a silent auction to raise funds so that we may continue with the Society's mission "to preserve, promote and interpret the rich and colorful history of Tualatin". The Heritage Center is a permanent resource that teaches present and future generations the value and fascination of local history and culture.

Each of our donors is extremely important to the Tualatin Historical Society, the Tualatin Heritage Center and its members and volunteers. We are dedicated to making the wine, food and silent auction an annual event. Last year,

We hope that we may count on you for a donation. Any item, large or small, is greatly appreciated. Please consider some of the following ways that you can support us:

- ~ Physical items
- ~ Gift Certificates/Gift Cards for goods, restaurants or services
- ~ Themed gift baskets (wine, coffee, chocolate, etc.), tickets to sporting events (Trail Blazers, Beavers, Ducks, Timbers, Thorns, Hops, Seahawks)
- ~ Gift items or products that can be used for a raffle or in a themed basket
- ~ Hotel lodging or vacation home stay
- ~ Bottles of wine for our 'Wine Pull" grab bag
- ~ Cash
- ~ Purchase tickets, invite friends and attend our fun event!

Please feel free to call (503.885.1926) if you have any questions. Thank you very much for your consideration of the request.

Sincerely, 2017 Auction Committee Chair: Barbara Stinger Laura Baker Lindy Hughes Ellie McClure Larry McClure Karin Olson Sue Raxter Diane Swientek



#### We're Looking Good!



Our THS homeplace is in fine shape this summer thanks to the Garden Corner's annual donation of beautiful hanging baskets and a new coat of barkdust laid down around the Center by the City of Tualatin. Our patio planters are colorful and lush thanks to the good care given by our neighbor Joyce Davis who has volunteered to be our chief keeper. She and other volunteers are also tending the roses. If you stop by and see some dead-heading to be done, you have our permission. Out in the Pioneer Garden planted by the fourth graders right after Memorial Day, check the vegetable crops throughout the season. Beans available soon.

#### Meet Graehm Alberty

This summer you may see a fresh face around the Heritage Center. Graehm Alberty, a junior at Tualatin High School, has volunteered to be an intern. In addition to being an outstanding student taking all advanced classes, Graehm somehow finds time to be an editor for the Tualatin High School newspaper; co-found the United Nations and Debate Clubs at TuHS; a member of our city's Youth Advisory Council; the cross country and track and field teams; and a percussionist with the TuHS Wind Ensemble.

During his time with the Tualatin Historical Society this summer Graehm's focus will be in three areas:(1) Work with the high school to establish a procedure for saving their newspaper electronically for our digital archives.(2) Build online versions of maps to show locations of Tualatin's historical properties and where to locate items from our collection that are on display around town.(3) Work with our historian Sandra Carlson to schedule Oral Histories of community members.





# SAVE THE DATE! DATE: FRIDAY, SEPT. 15 TIME: 6:00-9:00 PM



Where: Tualatin Heritage Center 8700 SW Sweek Drive Tualatin, OR 97062



# Join us for Wine, Food and Silent Auction

#### **Buy your ticket today!**

You are invited to attend our 9th Annual Wine, Food and Silent Auction fundraiser. Help us continue with the Society's mission "to preserve, promote, and interpret the rich and colorful history of Tualatin".

Your attendance and donations will enable us to:

- Protect and restore historic artifacts such as the Galbreath Wagon
- Present twice monthly programs with guest speakers
- Collect and archive historic photos and artifacts
- Put on special historical events
- Annually host Tualatin 4th Graders for "Pioneer Days"
- Maintain a garden of heirloom and native plants
- Identify important sites and historic buildings with markers and an interpretive guide
- Sponsor historical, cultural, civic and environmental classes and presentations in schools and civic groups

In addition to an array of intriguing auction items, you will find the following activities:

- Taste some fabulous Northwest wines and beer
- Non-alcoholic beverages
- Scrumptious hors d'oeuvres and desserts
- Mystery Wine Pull wine bottle grab bag
- NEW: \$10 Raffle ticket drawing for CASH prizes this year! Win \$500, \$250, \$100



We have tickets available, so get yours today. Tickets are are \$30 each, after and \$35 each at the door (21 years and over, please). They may be purchased in person, by phone: call Cindy (503.885.1926) or email Lindy: lindy.thc@gmail.com.







THS Annual Picnic at Tualatin Community Park Wednesday, July 5, 5:00 pm See page 1 for details. For information, call 503.885.1926.



#### Knitting and Crochet Workshop Fridays, July 7, 21, 10:00 am-Noon

Bring a project or start one. Help is available. All levels welcome.

### Ice Age Evening Program Thursday, July 20, 7:00 pm

See page 1 for details. For information, call 503.257.0144.

#### **August Event Calendar**

THS Monthly Program Wednesday, August 2, 1:00 pm



See page 1 for details. Monthly program sponsored by the Tualatin Historical Society. For information, call 503.885.1926.

#### Knitting and Crochet Workshop Fridays, August 4 & 18, 10:00 am-Noon

Bring a project or start one. Help is available. All levels welcome.

#### **Monthly Ice Age Program**

There is no meeting or program in August.



#### **Everybody Cookies!**

A big thanks goes to Kathy Newcomb, Fran Denley, Gerry Brosy, Anita Gilham, Diane Barry and Lindy for providing treats and Gerry Brosy for making coffee for the THS monthly programs in April, May and June. They were delicious!!

#### **September Event Calendar**

"Close Cousins: The Evolution of Sherwood" THS Monthly Program Wednesday, September 6, 1:00 pm

June Reynolds, Sherwood historian and author, will highlight the history of our neighboring city of Sherwood and its long-time ties to Tualatin. See page 3 for details. Monthly program sponsored by the Tualatin Historical Society. For information, call 503.885.1926.

#### Knitting and Crochet Workshop Fridays, September 8 & 29, 10:00 am-Noon

Bring a project or start one. Help is available. All levels welcome.

#### THS 9th Annual Wine, Food and Silent Auction Fundraiser Friday, September 15 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Join us for an evening of fun! Enjoy delicious wines and beer from the northwest, scrumptious food and music while helping to raise money for THS. For tickets and information, contact Cindy at 503.885.1926 or email Lindy: at lindy.thc@gmail.com.



#### "The Ice Age Oregon Trail" Ice Age Evening Program Thursday, September 21, 7:00 pm

Rick Thompson will be talking about the Lake Missoula Floods and the Oregon Trail Connection, showing where the pioneers used some of Lake Missoula Floods channels for the Oregon Trail in Oregon. Join us for this interesting program **held at Tualatin Library Community Room this month.** Monthly program co-sponsored by Ice Age Flood Institute Columbia Chapter and the Tualatin Heritage Center. For information, call Sylvia Thompson at 503.257.0144.



The Tualatin Heritage Center will be closed to observe Independence Day on Tuesday, July 4. Have a safe and happy holiday!

## Your 2017 Tualatin Historical Society Board

Executive Board:

President: Ross Baker Vice-President: Kurt Krause Treasurer: Barbara Stinger Historian: Sandra Lafky Carlson

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Yvonne Addington

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Heritage Center Director- Larry McClure

Newsletter Editor - Larry McClure

See our current and past newsletters in color and other articles of interest at www.tualatinhistoricalsociety.org.



#### Two Ways to be Involved in the Fall Fundraiser

Our September auction supplies over 20 percent of our annual budget and the hard-working planning committee really needs each THS member to contribute to its success as well. Last year, 26 of the 225 of us who belong to THS members gave physical items, promises of home-based dinners, gift cards, theme baskets, baked goods, hotel lodging, bottles of wine and even cash to help pay for food used that evening. Are you able to help with advance donations this year? We really need all hands on deck before the big event. For members who live out of town and can't join the fun, it may be easier to send a gift card or check directly to Barbara Stinger, THS treasurer and committee chair. Of course, buying entrance and raffle tickets for yourself or others is important too. Call 503.885.1926 to help keep your Society strong.



Thank you for your continued support!



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The Center is open to the public weekdays from 10am to 2pm. The Tualatin Historical Society holds open program meetings in the Center at 1:00 pm on the first Wednesday of each month except for July and November.

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