



# Tualatin

June 2015

## today

### Summer on the Commons

Tualatin Commons is the place to be this summer with so many exciting events and programs to enjoy! The Tualatin Commons is located by the beautiful lake at 8325 SW Nyberg St.

#### Concerts on the Commons

**Fridays, 6:30 pm**

Enjoy free music performances this summer showcasing outstanding local musicians. Join us for jazz, big band, Latin salsa, rhythm and blues and much more. Concerts are held each Friday evening in July and August. Learn more about this summer's performing artists on our website.

[www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/concerts-commons](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/concerts-commons)

#### Movies on the Commons

**Saturdays, 9:00 pm**

Gather your friends, family and neighbors and come to the free family-friendly Movies on the Commons. Snacks and drinks will be sold, benefitting the Tualatin Youth Advisory Council. Grab your blankets and lawn chairs and join us each Saturday in July and August. Visit our website for movie information and trailers.

[www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/movies-commons](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/movies-commons)

#### Summer Reading on the Commons

**Tuesdays, 7:00 pm**

The Tualatin Public Library offers an all-ages Summer Reading Program with great prizes! Celebrate the joy of reading at the free,



family-friendly events. All ages can sign up for the Summer Reading Program at the Library until July 31. We have something for everyone, and are challenging Tualatin to read 2.5 million minutes this summer!

[www.tualatinoregon.gov/library/summer-reading-commons](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/library/summer-reading-commons)

#### ArtSplash Art Show & Sale

**July 24, 25, 26**

Join the fun at the 19th annual ArtSplash Art Show & Sale featuring local artists displaying and selling watercolors, acrylics, photography, jewelry, fused glass and more! Enjoy a live performance from Curtis Salgado on Friday, July 24, and a concert by New Horizons Big Band of Tualatin on Saturday, July 25. Don't miss Chalk it Up! an all-ages event on Sunday 10:00-2:00 pm. All

chalk art materials are provided.

[www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/artsplash-art-show-and-sale](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/artsplash-art-show-and-sale)

For more information:

[www.tualatinoregonoregon.gov](http://www.tualatinoregonoregon.gov) or call 503.691.3061.



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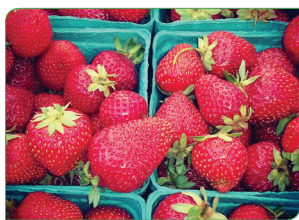
### Fox Hills Fourth of July Parade

Join your Tualatin neighbors at the Fox Hills Fourth of July Parade starting at the Bridgeport Elementary School parking lot at 4:00 pm on July 4, 2015. Make a float, wear a costume, decorate a bike, or just come with a patriotic smile and parade along the short  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile route.



# Tualatin Farmers Market, A True Community Partnership!

## Feed the body, feed the mind at the Tualatin Farmers Market



The Tualatin Farmers Market is gearing up for the 2015 season and is excited to announce their move to Saturday

from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Tualatin Public Library. While the community enjoyed spending Friday evenings with the Market, they believe changing to Saturday mornings will attract a greater number of shoppers looking to purchase local produce and other food. Adjacent to Nyberg Rivers, the new location has greater visibility and allows the market to join the thriving community growing in the heart of Tualatin. With morning hours, they will now extend the season through September, offering the full summer harvest to our shoppers. Some of the crowd favorites are back, but there will be many new vendors for to check out. Be sure to join in the fun at the grand re-opening on Saturday, June 13, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, and then every Saturday morning (including July 4) through September 26!

The market is a great place to connect with neighbors. Thanks to City donations, the market features local, live musicians every Saturday. They proudly accept the Oregon Trail Card, and Tualatin's New Seasons Market matches SNAP funds, up to \$10 per week. Our Market Sprouts program empowers local children to make healthy decisions as food consumers, and citizens can learn about area non-profits at our Community Booth. New this year, the market & library are partnering to promote Summer Reading registration and to present a Saturday morning Storytime June 13 to August 8 (except July 4).

Initially conceived in conjunction with the Tualatin Tomorrow Vision implementation, the market continues to be an important community partner and participates in the Tualatin Tomorrow Vision Implementation. The Tualatin Farmers Market is a federally recognized 501(c)3 organization run by volunteers. To help support the market and for more information, visit [www.tualatinfarmersmarket.com](http://www.tualatinfarmersmarket.com).



## Teen Librarian Wins State Award

Tualatin Public Library Teen Librarian Aimee Meuchel received the Oregon Young Adult Network You're Excellent Award at the 2015 Oregon Library Association conference, recognizing her positive and significant contribution to teens in Oregon libraries. The award included a \$100 donation to support teen library services.

Several local teens nominated Meuchel for the award, sharing comments such as: "Without her guidance and support throughout the years, I would have never grown out of my shell or realized how much I enjoy helping others." Meuchel has worked at the Tualatin Library since 2006. Because of Meuchel's efforts, Tualatin Library has a highly successful teen program, seeing more than 600 visits to the Teen Room each month.

## Boy Scout Troop 530 Pancake Breakfast

Tualatin Boy Scout Troop 530 will hold its Annual Pancake Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, June 7 at the Juanita Pohl Senior Center, 8513 SW Tualatin Road. Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs and beverages are included for \$6 per person, \$4 for ages 62 and older and \$20 for families. Proceeds support the scouts and their activities. Tickets available at the door.

## Chiefton-Dakota Greenway Volunteer Project

The City of Tualatin built the Chiefton-Dakota Greenway Project, located South of Blake Street just West of Martinazzi Ave, two years ago which connected trails to sidewalks in the area and treated storm water runoff from an older neighborhood needing storm water treatment. The area has become a vibrant living native ecosystem in the midst of the city where many plants flourish.

In an effort to keep this area flourishing, 460 Tualatin High School students volunteered to do necessary upkeep of the area in coordination with the city. On May 7- 8 students removed 15 cubic yards of invasive plant species such as Reed Canary Grass, Ivy and Blackberry. The students also planted 250 native shrubs and trees where invasive plant species were removed to promote the eradication of the invasive plant species.

The students' efforts have greatly improved the area for both the functional cleaning of the storm water, the use by small animal wildlife, and the natural aesthetic value for trail users.

## Volunteer!



The Howorth family scheduled a family adventure for Arbor Day with the Put Down Roots program in Tualatin. John and Andrea Howorth both have long histories of volunteering in schools, hospitals and in their community. In an interview, Andrea discusses her family's experiences in volunteering.

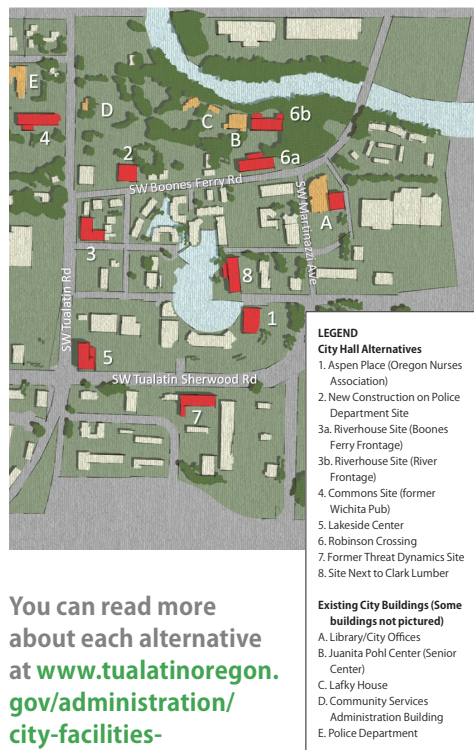
*Our kids thought it was fun to plant trees and were excited to be able to ride their bikes back to the site to visit the plants. They were especially excited to help the community. They even enjoyed the downpour and felt good about themselves at the end of the project. We want them to appreciate what they have and we want our daughters to experience things outside of their home and neighborhood. We want them to see the larger world. As a family we are trying to volunteer once a month and try different things.*

Have you considered volunteering as a family? The families that volunteer say it can inspire learning, teach a sense of responsibility, help develop interests with children and can strengthen family identity. For information on how to get started, visit [www.tualatinoregon.gov/volunteer](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/volunteer).

## City Facilities Study Update

You shared your ideas, and the City has looked into them to see what buildings or sites around town could meet the needs for a City Hall and community space for the future. The outreach for the City Facilities Study began in February, and many ideas rolled in from people throughout the community. The City analyzed the options below, and a report will be going to the City Council at the end of June regarding these alternatives. You can weigh in on the discussion at [www.tualatintownhall.com](http://www.tualatintownhall.com) and share your thoughts.

1. Oregon Nurses Association Building (Aspen Place)
2. New Building Next to the Police Department
3. Riverhouse Site (Option A & B)
4. The Commons Building (Former Wichita Pub)
5. Lakeside Center
6. Robinson Crossing
7. Former Threat Dynamics Site
8. Site Near Clark Lumber



You can read more about each alternative at [www.tualatinoregon.gov/administration/city-facilities-study](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/administration/city-facilities-study). Questions?

Email [ssinger@ci.tualatin.or.us](mailto:ssinger@ci.tualatin.or.us) or call 503.691.3065.

## Street Sweeping

Street sweeping will occur June 1-12, weather permitting. For specific information on street sweeping in your area, check out our street sweeping map at [www.tualatinoregon.gov/publicworks/street-sweeping-program](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/publicworks/street-sweeping-program).

# Tackling Traffic in Tualatin

Transportation and relieving congestion are very important to residents and businesses in Tualatin. This is a top priority for the City Council. Tualatin has been working on a number of solutions to provide relief both now and in the future.

## 124th Extension Project

The project will provide a connection between Tualatin - Sherwood Road and Grahams Ferry Road, through the Basalt Creek Concept Plan area. The connection will include the extension of 124th Avenue from Tualatin - Sherwood Road to Tonquin Road. Washington County is leading this project. The 124th extension is estimated to cost \$30 million. The project is expected to start in August 2015. Additionally, when funding becomes available, Basalt Creek Parkway will be constructed to extend from the intersection of 124th Avenue and Tonquin Road to Grahams Ferry Road. For additional information please visit [www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/TransportationProjects/124th-avenue-extension.cfm](http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/TransportationProjects/124th-avenue-extension.cfm).



## Ride Connection

Ride Connection is a **FREE** commuter shuttle intended to get people from local bus or WES service to their jobs. Ride Connection took over operations of the Tualatin Shuttle from the Tualatin Chamber of Commerce in October 2014. Since then, Ride Connection has been evaluating the routes available and the needs of riders. There are now two routes, the new red line started on May 4, 2015. To learn more about Ride Connection routes and services please visit [www.rideconnection.org/ride/Services/TualatinShuttle.aspx](http://www.rideconnection.org/ride/Services/TualatinShuttle.aspx).

## Pedestrian Improvements

A new sidewalk was installed to fill a sidewalk gap on Pacific Drive between East Street and West Street adjacent to the Angel Haven Mobile Park. The new sidewalk was installed as a part of the neighborhood solutions program

to provide a safe route to transit and Pacific Highway.

## Tualatin River Greenway Trail

The City is developing a new segment of the Tualatin River Greenway Trail that will connect people with nature, provide recreational and transportation opportunities and promote health. The trail begins at Barngrover Street near the Library, crosses under Interstate 5 at the Tualatin River to Nyberg Lane. Construction will take place in the summer and fall of 2015 and will be open for public use in the winter of 2016.

## Southwest Corridor Project

The City in partnership with Metro, TriMet, ODOT, Tigard, Portland and other jurisdictions are working on a project to extend transit from Portland to Tualatin. Currently, multiple alignments are being considered as well as multiple modes of transportation. The mode will be either light rail transit (LRT) such as a MAX line or bus rapid transit (BRT) similar to the EmX bus in Eugene. The steering committee will make decisions about the alignment in the northern part of the corridor, in southwest Portland, this July. In December, the steering committee will decide which mode of transportation to study further and where the corridor alignment will end, which could be in Tualatin. To learn more about the project please visit [www.oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/southwest-corridor-plan](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/southwest-corridor-plan).

## Washington County Transportation Futures Study

Washington County recently started a future land use and transportation needs and opportunities study. This study provides the opportunity to: think big and look far beyond the Transportation System Plan's 20-year horizon; study the county's evolving demographic and economic conditions as well as implications for travel needs; evaluate the trade-offs from two transportation investment packages and two plausible future land use scenarios; and position Washington County for continued future success.

The project Study Advisory Committee (SAC) is made up of fourteen participants from around the County. They will meet throughout the 18-20 month process. To learn more about this study please visit [www.wctransportationfutures.org](http://www.wctransportationfutures.org).

## @MayorOgden



Tualatin is in the middle of major long-term planning efforts to keep our buildings, water lines and transportation networks updated, maintained and ready to serve our future community. These were identified as some of the Council's top priorities for the next two years, and they have been part of the Tualatin Tomorrow Vision and different community master plans. The City Facilities

Study is focused on the future of a City Hall for a place where City services can be consolidated in one place. The City Council will review the study and community outreach results on June 22nd.

Traffic has long been the number one problem in Tualatin, and the article on page three highlights significant progress. These improvements require years of planning and funding, but major changes are on the horizon to help move traffic and alleviate congestion.

The water study highlighted below is one which will help us plan and make good decisions going forward as we consider future growth in the community and how it impacts our water supply and rates.

These services are essential, for our community. The City Council values your input on these projects, so thank you to all who have been involved!



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### Water Update

Since last summer, a Water Supply Financial Evaluation has been underway by Tualatin and consultant HDR to determine the city's different water source options and their costs. Currently, Tualatin gets its water from Portland and a small amount from the Aquifer Storage Recovery (ASR) system for a total of 11.5 million gallons per day. Additional water will be needed to meet the peak flows in the summer of 2023.

#### The evaluation included three options;

- Continue buying water from Portland and increase capacity through the current system
- Move to the Willamette River
- Continue as a Portland customer with our current limits and add the Willamette to meet demands at build out

Over a 30-year period, staying with Portland is estimated to be cheaper than switching to the Willamette because of the initial investment of building the infrastructure. Tualatin will continue to plan and prepare for the water needs of the residents and businesses in our community. For more information check the City's web site [www.tualatinoregon.gov/publicworks/source-water-information](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/publicworks/source-water-information) for updates as they become available.

### Meet the Council

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[www.tualatinoregon.gov/citycouncil](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/citycouncil),  
the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the  
month at 7:00 pm

All City Council and Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public and provide an opportunity for citizen comment. The agenda and packet materials are available for review in the Library, City offices and at [www.tualatinoregon.gov](http://www.tualatinoregon.gov) generally seven calendar days prior to the Council meeting.

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in the Juanita Pohl Center, 8513 SW Tualatin Rd (in Community Park).

Do you have questions or comments regarding the newsletter? Please contact Sara Singer, Deputy City Manager at 503.691.3065 or [ssinger@ci.tualatin.or.us](mailto:ssinger@ci.tualatin.or.us).



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