The Tualatin Historical Society 2019-2020 Membership Review

Come on in….we have been waiting for you.
Welcome to our 2020 membership meeting

We want to start today, Veterans Day, by honoring those who have served our country and their families for sharing in that sacrifice. We should also want to acknowledge the City of Tualatin for the consensus they are building with many citizen volunteers to build a fitting memorial to Veterans.

- **It has been a challenging year.** Through out this presentation we will share photos from around Tualatin that will serve as a reminder of 2020—the pandemic year.

- **Still the Historical Society has been busy.** We are very proud of our organization and want to take just a few moments to brag about you and the great things that have been happening since our last meeting 10 “years” ago…..in 2019.
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Covid19 in Tualatin and at the Historical Society

• Just a few examples of things THS did at a safe social distance:
  – Challenged school age kids via social media to keep a log including photos and videos of their experiences for placement into our public archives.
  – Walking map posted on Next Door and sent access information to members
  – Women’s Suffrage video link sent to members in lieu of program we cancelled on same subject.
  – Rolled out survey to members to harvest information about local vets. That info is currently in our online archives
  – Continued collecting oral histories.
  – Tried to capture stories that reflect the zeitgeist of this pandemic

Library (below), City Council (right)
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People and Partnerships

• **Volunteers Are Key to Our Success**
  – THS is awarded **Volunteer Organization of the Year** for **2020**
  – The City recognized **10-Year THS volunteers**: Yvonne Addington, Gerry Brosy, Lindy Hughes, Bob Hughes, Loyce Martinazzi, Ellie McClure, Larry McClure, Arne Nyberg, Karin Olson, Norm Parker, Barb Stinger, Diane Swientek, Chris Tunstall
  – Even with a pandemic we typically have more than **100 volunteer hours** per month

• **We Value Our Partnerships**: City of Tualatin, Ice Age Floods Institute/Lower Columbia Chapter…..Tualatin elementary schools…..Garden Corner….. Lee Farms ..... Bosky Dell Natives ..... Tualatin Life…..Al Stewart Photography….. DigaPix….. and the VFW

2020 TuHs Graduation
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Doing something when there is nothing to do

• **Interesting Monthly Programs** (when we could!)
  – December exhibit of nativity sets and two barbershop concerts, Scott Burns on Iceland geology, Loyce Martinazzi led Tualatin History IQ Challenge
  – And now virtual programs on Zoom
    • Tom Swearingen, Oregon’s Cowboy Poet
    • Thursday evening programs by Ice Age Floods Institute/Lower Columbia Chapter
    • And a whole new line up coming—stay tuned!

• **Communication with Members**
  – Quarterly newsletter continued
  – Check-in calls on phone
  – Cards to shut-ins

• **Awarded Two Jack Broome Scholarships**
  – Madison McDonald is attending University of Oregon
  – Julio Lopez Carrillo is attending PCC.

• **Working with PSU to identify interns for special projects**
Centering on the Heritage Center

- New smoke alarms, new heating units
- Used the center for one livestreamed show—more to come
- Patio planters now featuring Oregon natives, thanks to Chris Tunstall and Bosky Dell Natives
  - All plants now have ID signs and updated guidebook descriptions created by Cindy
  - Karin Olsen and her band of volunteers has provided a lot of TLC to our gardens
- Coming soon on campus: Sasaki family tree peony
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Financials, grants and fundraiser

- **July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020 OVERVIEW**
  (Details available to members upon request)
  - Income about $50K, including 13K+ in rentals, 9K+ in fundraising, 3K+ for scholarships
  - Expenses about $48K, primarily salary and ongoing expenses
- **THS kept operating** during the shut down!
- Our **October fundraiser** succeeded with ~$10,500 to start the new year. THANK YOU!
- **THS recipient of grant funding from:**
  - PPP (Paycheck Protection Program)
  - The Oregon Community Foundation
  - Oregon Cultural Trust
  - Tualatin’s Economic Stabilization Fund.
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Preserve, Promote and Interpret

• Byrom Family portrait donated by Craig Daufel, descendant. Seated: Elizabeth & Edward Byrom, early Tualatin settlers Their children left to right: Ella, Joseph, John, Addie

• Display of vintage dollhouse furniture. Played with by the children of the Nyberg and Avery families, during the 1940’s.
• Stone tool about 2” long, donated by Eleanore Mickus in Tualatin. It was found in her garden on Shasta Trail, where the Jurgens farm used to be. Probably a tool made of basalt, used for skinning small game.

• Oral History of Myrna Andrews Summers. Recorded in Feb 2020 Photo of Myrna and her daughter Diane Summers Turner

• THS members’ nativity sets, some from around the world
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Membership—everything we do is for you

• 234 members.
• 20 seniors
( let us know if you are turning 90 next year)
• 55 life, honorary (includes 13 viva, 7 speakers, 1 trivia, 1 scholarship)
• 18 new members
• Renewals will be mailed out in January, but you can send in your dues now or call Cindy to use a credit card.
• Membership levels - $25, $40 plus Founders Club $250 and Heritage Circle $500.
• Donations gratefully accepted for our preservation fund or scholarship fund.

Since our last membership meeting, we said farewell to Robert Newcomb, Jack Brosy, Jim Waddell, Lynn Vancil, James Markel, Ruth Prier, Dolores Nelson, Jack Broome, Seward Eggleston, Myrna Summers, Bob deLisle, Keith Hopkins

THANK YOU loyal THS members
• **New LAZER inscribed bricks.**
  • Better than our first bricks, these won’t fade or weather.
  • Over 300 bricks sold so far. 154 are installed now.
  • Great funding source for THS. ~$10k since 2019.
  • Focus on showing family history, descendants in brick placement
  • Great gifts for Christmas, Anniversaries, Birthdays or just because. Currently priced at $50 for the 4x8” brick. We will increase price in 2021.
We need some specific skills. Please help.

- Plant fostering
- (Re)publishing book(s)
- Social Media Guru
- Research archives
- Garden Club
- Programs. Find speakers and coordinate PR
- Living History opportunities (in period dress)

Covid scenes from around Tualatin
We can not say thanks enough. 2020 Award Winners

2020 President’s Award

awarded to

Lois Roby

Founded in 1996, the Tualatin Historical Society’s mission is to preserve, promote and interpret the rich and colorful history of Tualatin. The President’s award is dedicated to those individuals or organizations who help promote the Society within our community and bring better awareness of our group, its programs and preservation efforts.

Signed: Rose Hake, President, Tualatin Historical Society

Date: November 22nd, 2020

Tualatin Historical Society
2020 Lafky-Martinazzi Award

Michael Antonelli

This award named in honor of our co-founders and given on this occasion for unwavering and ongoing support to publicize Tualatin history.

Loyce Martinazzi, co-founder of THS

Date
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Voting for the 2021 Board will be online

Link to vote will be sent soon

- Ross Baker, President
- Kurt Krause, Vice President
- Sandra Carlson, Historian
- Barbara Stinger, Treasurer
- Cathy Stockwell, Secretary
- Yvonne Addington, Director
- Larry McClure, Director
- Art Sasaki, Director
- Alan Song, Director
- Kristina Wheelock, Director

- Our THC manager, Cindy Frost
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TRIVA TIME!

- Ross will read the question. All are True or False. No board members may participate.
- Art will look for anyone waving their hand
- Answer correctly and you choose your prize. Then relax and watch others win ;)
- Winners should contact Cindy.

1) THC Rental
2) Oregon Cowboy Poet book “Reflection”
3) Nice Wine—currently at THC
4) West Coast Regatta Coloring Book
5) THS famous jam
6) “I Wonder” book + THS coloring book
7) Complimentary Pass to 2021 Heritage Evening
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TRIVA TIME!

• **Loyce Martinazzi is the sole founder of the Tualatin Historical Society**
  - False — Karen Lafkey Nygaard
• **Evidence of human presence in the Tualatin Valley goes back 7000 years**
  - True. Though likely it was even sooner.
• **Isaac Ball was the first schoolteacher in Tualatin’s “little log school”**
  - True. He married Margaret Robbins. He was also school clerk, county commissioner & justice of the peace
• **Three ferries crossed the Tualatin in our immediate area. They were the Galbreath, Taylor and Boone’s Ferries.**
  - False — the third one was Brown’s Ferry
• **Taylor’s Ferry became the sight of the first bridge across the Tualatin**
  - True. And initially it was a toll bridge. The toll was removed after it had been paid for,
• **In 1860 District #25—the Little Log School—had 38 children.**
  - True. The teacher was paid $120 for 3 months.
• **Boones Ferry Road route through Tualatin has remained unchanged since it was first put down.**
  - False — one example: in 1877 it was re-routed to the front of John Sweek’s house. Previously it had cut across what is today the Tualatin Commons.
• **John Sweek cut his daughter Lillian’s photos out of family albums because she married the wrong guy**
  - True. Lillian married Cal Harding who had sided with the Galbreath’s in a case involving the abandon Territorial Roadway.
• **“Old Hing” worked for the Sweeks as servant and gardener**
  - True. He stayed in Tualatin when other Chinese left after helping to build the railroad trestle over the river.
• **In 1887 The Southern Pacific bought the Portland & Willamette narrow guage resulting in only freight and no passenger service to Tualatin.**
  - False. The train carried passengers & freight. It made daily runs to Portland and as far south as Airlee (south of Monmouth)
• **The Winona Range was founded in 1895**
  - True. It was named in of J.R.C. Thompson’s daughter who had died earlier. First meetings were held above Thompson’s grocery store
• **John Nyberg arrived in Tualatin in 1895. His original plan was to head north but decided to stay in Tualatin instead.**
  - True. John met Ora Barngrover and changed his mind as men are know to do. They married in 1897