

Santa Brian Clopton’s Sleigh Brings Two Huge Gifts to Tualatin

It wasn’t lumps of coal in the city’s stocking, but two huge specimens of glacial erratics which arrived in Tualatin just in time for Christmas. Thanks to past THS president Yvonne Addington who negotiated the gift from Gaston area farmers Doug Ott, Kevin Guy, Jan Wolfe and Stella Bryant, the large specimens will be displayed near the driveway at Tualatin Heritage Center.



Brian Clopton provided the heavy-duty equipment to haul the several-ton artifacts left from the Ice Age Floods some 14,000 years ago. One of the boulders is quartzite and the other is granite. Clopton earlier moved the glacial erratic that was formerly at an I-205 rest stop and was donated to THS in 2010.



THS is extremely grateful to Brian Clopton Excavating, Inc. and Axis Crane, both Sherwood companies, for their generous donation of personnel and equipment to accomplish this giant task. Tualatin Police Department assured public safety during the process. city of Tualatin landscapers power washed the two behemoths afterward.

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