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The Concert in the Park

The mission of the Raleigh Park Neighborhood Association (RPNA) is to promote neighborhood unity and safety, and to preserve neighborhood integrity and livability for all residents.

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The Concert in the Park is returning this summer. The Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District, with the help of the Raleigh Park Neighborhood Association (RPNA), will hold a free concert. Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District is planning a series of 8 neighborhood concerts in various parks throughout the district. Our own Raleigh Park has again been selected to host one of these very special events! Mark your calendar for Thursday August 23th from 6 to 8 PM. Freak Mountain Ramblers will be providing the music (for more information <http://www.thprd.org/events/event.cfm?id=270>). The Freak Mountain Ramblers play a style described as hybrid of rock 'n roll, bluegrass, alternative country and country-blues. Deeply rooted in Portland's alternative music scene for decades, the Freaks have cultivated a loyal following with a high-energy stage show.

For more information or questions regarding the "Concert in the Park," contact Debra Fife, Coordinator of Volunteer Services and Special Events for the Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District. Her phone number is 503-645-6433; you can reach by email at dfife@thprd.com.

You can also contact any of the RPNA Board Members to talk about donations or volunteer opportunities for this year. Please email us from our web site at <http://www.raleighpark.org>.

Update: WalMart Store at Former Raleigh Hills Zupan's

Walmart's recent attempt to extend operation hours of their planned new grocery store proposed for the former Zupan's store, 8225 S.W. Apple Way, in Raleigh Hills was delayed by the City of Beaverton. The concern is the level of the noise generated outside between 10 pm and 7 am at the Walmart Neighborhood Market is enough to disrupt quality of life in the surrounding neighborhood. The permit Walmart requests would allow employees of the Apple Way store to re-stock shelves, clean aisles and display cases, take inventory, sweep the parking lot, and otherwise maintain the property during those hours when no shopping or public access would take place. Other requested activities include "small truck" deliveries and trash compactor use. The 25,000-square-foot Apple Way market is set to open

this fall. To mitigate the night work, Walmart officials have proposed to minimize after-hours noise, install a newer, quieter trash compactor that would run no more than once a day, and allow only local, "small-truck" deliveries, with drivers required to shut off truck engines during drop offs. A circular delivery route would minimize the frequency of truck backup signal "beeps," a particular concern of neighbors who spoke at the commission meeting. Based on completion of the new noise study, the Planning Commission will reconsider Walmart's conditional-use permit.



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Update: Oleson Road Realignment Project

Washington County recently applied for and was awarded funding to replace the Oleson Road Bridge over Fanno Creek. The Oleson Road Bridge regularly gets inundated with high water during flood events. It needs to be replaced and elevated above flood waters to avoid closures. Washington County will begin design and permitting this year. Construction of the bridge is programmed for the summer of 2014. The new bridge will be designed to be consistent with the larger Oleson Road Realignment Project (not yet funded). A project web page has been created to keep interested parties updated (<http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/TransportationProjects/oleson-road-at-fanno-creek.cfm>). There will be a public process to collect input and let road users and affected owners see the bridge plan concept and expected impacts to the traveling public and adjacent properties. An open house will be held at a later date to present the design concept and to solicit feedback from the public.



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