



# TUALATIN TODAY

... June 2016 ...

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## 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 Street.

### Concerts on the Commons: Fridays, 6:30 pm

Enjoy free music performances this summer showcasing outstanding musicians. Join us for performances from Ben Rice, Johnny Limbo and the Lugnuts, Quarterflash, and more! Concerts are held each Friday evening in July and August. For a full schedule please visit our website.

### 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.

### 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 50,000 hours this summer!

### ArtSplash Art Show & Sale: July 22, 23, 24

Join the fun at the 21st annual ArtSplash Art Show & Sale featuring local artists displaying and selling watercolors, acrylics, photography, jewelry and more! Enjoy a live performance from Tom Grant on Saturday, July 23, and a concert by New Horizons Big Band of Tualatin on Saturday, July 24. Don't miss the Chalk It Up! all-ages event on Sunday, July 25, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. All chalk art materials are provided. For more information, please visit [TualatinOregon.gov/recreation/artsplash-art-show-and-sale](http://TualatinOregon.gov/recreation/artsplash-art-show-and-sale)

For more information: [TualatinOregon.gov/recreation](http://TualatinOregon.gov/recreation) or call 503.691.3061.

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## SMOKE & TOBACCO FREE CITY SPACES POLICY EFFECTIVE MAY 31

Remember, as of May 31 use of tobacco (smoke and chew) and vaping/e-cigarettes is prohibited on all City-owned or managed properties, including parks, trails, the Tualatin Commons, core-area parking lots, the Tualatin Library plaza, and sidewalks and landscaped areas adjacent to City property. For questions, contact Rich Mueller, Parks and Recreation Manager at [RMUELLER@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US](mailto:RMUELLER@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US) or 503.691.3064, or check our website [TUALATINOREGON.GOV/COMMUNITYSERVICES/SMOKE-FREE-CITY-SPACES-POLICY](http://TUALATINOREGON.GOV/COMMUNITYSERVICES/SMOKE-FREE-CITY-SPACES-POLICY).



## SUMMER TRAVEL? BRING YOUR READING ALONG

Do your summer vacation plans take you and your family out of town? Don't forget the books! We have e-books and downloadable audiobooks for kids, teens and adults available through Cloud Library and Library2Go. "Apps" for your tablet and smartphone make taking books along a breeze. Discover the apps and instructions at [WCCLS.ORG/E-BOOKS](http://WCCLS.ORG/E-BOOKS), and find great reading suggestions at the Tualatin Library and at [READS.WCCLS.ORG](http://READS.WCCLS.ORG).

## TUALATIN JOB GROWTH – ONE OF THE BEST!

In December 2015 the Milken Institute produced the 2015 Best Performing Cities report (based on job/wage growth & high-tech GDP/exports) for US cities above 50,000 people. The Portland Metro area jumped from 16th highest in 2014 to #8 in 2015.

*How does Tualatin fit in this mix?  
We are one of the best!*

For the 5-year period from 2010-2014, Tualatin's job growth rate percentage was the highest in the Portland Metro region. Tualatin's was 19% (3,987 jobs) while the rest of region's communities ranged from 9 – 15%.

What's even better is that Tualatin's average wages are trending high as well. For 2014, Tualatin's average wage was \$51,216. While a few other Metro communities are higher (Portland, Hillsboro, and Beaverton) our average wage is still higher than the other Metro area communities.

You can see the outcome of that job growth in all the new industrial construction going on in Tualatin. Developers know the huge demand for space and have invested more than \$60 million dollars in constructing new speculative space – space that is not being constructed for a specific client or company.

With four major projects having recently completed or currently in construction, there will be at least 800,000 square-foot of new speculative space completed in 2016 on the west side of Tualatin from SW 112th to SW 115th to 118th – from south of Tualatin-Sherwood Road north to Herman Road.

To learn more about Tualatin's job growth contact Melinda Anderson, Economic Development Manager, at 503.691.3049 or [MANDERSON@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US](mailto:MANDERSON@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US).



## 27TH ANNUAL FOX HILLS FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

Join your Tualatin neighbors at the 27th annual Fox Hills Fourth of July Parade! The parade starts at 4:00 pm sharp at the Bridgeport Elementary School parking lot. Make a float, wear a costume, decorate a bike, or just come with a patriotic smile and parade along the short route through Fox Hills neighborhood, ending back at the school parking lot.

## ANNUAL HYDRANT FLUSHING

You may have noticed that the City has started its annual process to flush our fire hydrants. On a regular basis, city staff opens fire hydrant valves to allow water to flow through the pipes. Systematically opening the hydrants enhances water quality by flushing sediment from the main line pipes, verifies the proper operation of hydrants and valves, and ensures that the hydrant is operational in case of a fire emergency. During this process, there can be temporary incidences of discoloured water while fine sediment particles are flushed. There are no health hazards associated with the discolored water. If you have any questions, you can reach our operations staff at 503.691.3093.

## CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY SEAT CHECK-UP

On Saturday, June 25, 9 am-12 pm, Tualatin Police will host a Child Passenger Safety Seat Check-Up event at the Tualatin Police Department, located at 8650 SW Tualatin Rd.

Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians and trained volunteers will check for correct seat installation, damage, recalls, and size and age appropriateness. Citizens are asked to come with the manuals for their vehicle and child passenger seat, as well as their child, if possible. For more information, contact Jennifer Massey with the Tualatin Police Department 503.691.4846.



## YOUR CIO ENCOURAGES YOU TO PREPARE FOR DISASTER!

Our Citizen Involvement Organization leaders are asking our resident and business members to get prepared for any emergency or disaster. We have identified the resources to help you get prepared for either. Preparation takes time and commitment. Everyone needs to create a personal plan, which begins with obtaining an emergency kit for your home, your car, and your business location.

We also encourage you to establish a "plan of action" for your immediate neighborhood using the Emergency Cooperative's "Map Your Neighborhood" program. Early this year, forty volunteers in Tualatin were trained to facilitate the program and we want to train more!

There are two other important parts of this community plan:

- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. This 24 hour training class is free and will give participants additional knowledge of what to do and what not to do.
- We are looking for Ham Radio operators to volunteer to support this network in case of an emergency or disaster. We are offering classes whereby volunteers can obtain a Ham Radio license.

For more information, please contact your CIO President or send an email to [TUALATINCOMMERCIALCIO@GMAIL.COM](mailto:TUALATINCOMMERCIALCIO@GMAIL.COM).

You also can find additional information at [TUALATINCIO.ORG](http://TUALATINCIO.ORG).

# VOLUNTEERING - A GREAT WAY TO SPEND THE SUMMER

Will you lend a hand this summer? Celebrate the season of sun and fun by volunteering at the many community events in Tualatin. The Blender Dash, ArtSplash, Chalk It Up, and Summer Concerts and Movies on the Commons are a few of the events where volunteers can make things happen.

*There is an opportunity for everyone to contribute their skills or learn some new ones by filling important volunteer positions:*



- Registration & Check-in
- Event Photographer
- Set Up Superhero
- Cheering and Clapping Expert
- Arts & Crafts
- Materials and Supplies Organization
- Take Down Team

Bring your family, friends, co-workers or group to volunteer and enjoy the community event fun in Tualatin. Visit the City of Tualatin Volunteer Website at [TUALATINOREGON.GOV/VOLUNTEER](http://TUALATINOREGON.GOV/VOLUNTEER) for more information and to register, or contact one of the Volunteer Coordinators: Library - Margaret Gunther, [MGUNTH@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US](mailto:MGUNTH@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US), 503.691.3070 or Operations - Jackie Konen, [JKONEN@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US](mailto:JKONEN@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US), 503.691.3087.



## SUMMER G.R.E.A.T. PROGRAM RETURNS!

If you are a parent of a current or incoming student in middle school, mark your calendars now for the summer sessions of the Tualatin Gang Resistant Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) Summer Program! Your child will receive several days of fun, games and recreation; which will include day trips to such places as Silver Creek Falls, North Clackamas Aquatic Park, and more! In addition they will be learning valuable life-skill lessons about communication, conflict resolution and positive alternatives to drugs, alcohol and criminal activity. All of this is offered at an exceptional value.

*All sessions will run Monday through Friday, from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm.  
Four sessions are being offered:*

*Summer 2016:*

- Session A: June 27 – July 1 (Incoming 6th grade only)
- Session B: July 25 – July 29 (Incoming 6th grade only)
- Session #1: July 11 – July 15 (Incoming 7th, 8th, and 9th)
- Session #2: July 18 – July 22 (Incoming 7th, 8th, and 9th)

For more information, call the Tualatin Police Department at 503.691.4800 or e-mail [KRMILLER@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US](mailto:KRMILLER@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US). If you are interested in contributing to the Tualatin G.R.E.A.T. Summer Program, please call Officer Kevin Miller at 503.691.4831.

## ... Mayor's Corner ...



At the end of this month, Tualatin will bid farewell to our long-time Police Chief Kent Barker as he retires from his 35 years of service in law enforcement. Chief Barker joined our community in 2003, and over the last 13 years he has served tirelessly to elevate our Police Department to be simply the best in the region.

Our City has greatly benefitted from his leadership as he has cultivated a strong culture of community policing. Chief Barker is recognized Statewide and

nationally, serving his profession in many ways such as President of the Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police and receiving their prestigious Paul Nagy Award in 2009. He has served on the board of Directors and Executive Committee for the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and as Chairman of the Board for Oregon Police Safety Standards and Training. And the list goes on, and on.

In addition to his esteemed reputation, Chief Barker's aptitude, honor and character leave all those who work and interact with him inspired. He's the type of leader who keeps everything running, with a smile on his face, an eye towards the future. I have great appreciation for his service and wish him all the best in retirement as he spends time with his family.

*Chief Barker -  
you will be greatly missed!*



## PADDLE THE TUALATIN RIVER

Alder Creek Kayak and Canoe offers family-friendly, paddle-away kayak and canoe rentals on the Tualatin River from their rental center in Brown's Ferry Park. For more information on kayak and canoe rentals visit [TUALATINOREGON.GOV/RECREATION/BROWNS-FERRY-PARK](http://TUALATINOREGON.GOV/RECREATION/BROWNS-FERRY-PARK), contact Alder Creek during their hours of operation at 503.691.2405 or the Community Services Department at 503.691.3061.

Please park in the Browns Ferry Park parking lot and follow the path toward the river to locate the kayak and rental center. [ALDERCREEK.COM/GEAR-RENTALS/KAYAK-RENTALS-TUALATIN](http://ALDERCREEK.COM/GEAR-RENTALS/KAYAK-RENTALS-TUALATIN)

## WATCH CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS LIVE ON TUALATINOREGON.GOV/CITYCOUNCIL, THE 2ND & 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 [TUALATINOREGON.GOV](http://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 Tanya Williams, at 503.691.3065 or [TWILLIAMS@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US](mailto:TWILLIAMS@CI.TUALATIN.OR.US).



*Keep the circle unbroken,  
please recycle.*

## TUALATIN NAMED A FINALIST FOR A \$3 MILLION PRIZE!



The celebration in Tualatin continued after our Tualatin ABC competition team secured one of eight finalist spots in the America's Best Communities (ABC) competition in April. Tualatin ABC Team Members Mayor Lou Ogden, John Bartholomew from Mask & Mirror Community Theatre and Bethany Wurtz from the Tualatin Tomorrow Vision Advisory Committee presented Tualatin's pitch to the panel of judges in a "Shark Tank" environment.

The pitch was based on Tualatin's Community Revitalization Plan which was developed as part of the quarter-finalist round of the competition.

In the short-term Tualatin plans to build a mobile makerspace enabling students to create, build, and enjoy hands-on learning. Makerspaces are collaborative learning spaces where people can learn to use tools, explore technology, and develop creative projects. Longer-term, Tualatin intends to supplement the mobile maker space with a permanent Community Career and Creative Center.

To learn more, visit [TUALATINABC.ORG](http://TUALATINABC.ORG).

## ... City Information ...

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For more information, visit our website at [TUALATINOREGON.GOV](http://TUALATINOREGON.GOV)

## ... Meet the Council ...

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