



Tualatin

May 2015

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Volunteers are the Essential Piece!

Volunteers were honored at the 8th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Celebration held Tuesday, April 7. City Manager Sherilyn Lombos opened the evening's festivities by expressing appreciation for the 28,898 hours of service to the City of Tualatin in 2014. These volunteers give freely of their time and talents, and ask only for a thank you for their countless hours of service. Without them, Tualatin would not be complete, thus making them an Essential Piece of our community, the theme of this year's event.



Mayor Ogden presented the Tualatin Outstanding Volunteer Awards. In the Adult Category, there were two award winners, Sonya Ambuehl (pictured above) and Beth Clark. Sonya received her award for her contributions to the Tualatin Public Library as a volunteer check-in aide, President of

the Tualatin Library Advisory Committee, and a Friends of the Library board member. Beth was recognized for her countless volunteer hours in the library completing special processing of materials, check-in and holds retrieval, as well as an English for Speakers of Other Languages tutor. For his dedication to the educational success of Tualatin's K-12 students as a tutor in the library, Donald Swygard was one of two recipients of the Outstanding Volunteer Award in the Senior category. Jane Heathman, the other Senior category award winner, was honored for her contributions to Tualatin in a number of volunteer roles - Administrative Aide in Community Services, Accreditation Helper in the Police Department, and Dog Park Ambassador through the Operations

Department. The final award presented was to TEAM Tualatin (pictured above) in the Outstanding Group category. In 2014, 70 volunteers participating in TEAM Tualatin, an ongoing summer program for teens, contributed 2,109 hours to their community by planting, watering, shoveling, painting, washing, mulching and more.

Congratulations to all the nominees: Katherine Lewis, Ryan Deatherage, Patrick Sinnott, Alan Feinstein, Steve Pettigrew, and Greg Abbott.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. — Margaret Mead, Anthropologist



check it out!

City Office Closures

On Memorial Day, May 25, 2015, the City Offices, Juanita Pohl Center, and the Tualatin Library will be closed.

Neighbors Nourishing Communities for a Healthier Tualatin



Neighbors Nourishing Communities (NNC) is a Tualatin non-profit that was founded in the belief that everyone in Tualatin deserves access to fresh, nutritious food regardless of income. To accomplish this goal, NNC set out to bring together residents, businesses, and city government to show that this is a critical issue that we can solve by working together. NNC provides local gardeners with free plants, seeds, and instruction in exchange for 20% of their produce for donation, most of which is given to the Tualatin Schoolhouse Pantry or the Juanita Pohl Center. NNC also supports a growing number of local low-income families by providing garden space and tools in addition to plants, seeds, and gardening instruction. NNC has also been successful in providing cooking and preserving classes for all members.

As a lead partner for Tualatin Tomorrow, NNC has been tasked with promoting

community gardening and education about nutritious eating. As a result, NNC has joined with the three local community gardens, Tualatin Community Garden, Hilltop Community Garden, and Abundant Blessings Community Garden to provide our supported families with a place to garden and to promote community gardening for all Tualatin residents. This year the community gardens advertised together, shared wait lists, and will have a combined gardening instruction class at Boones Ferry Community Church. NNC is also active with schools and organizations to promote education on nutrition, sustainable food systems, and the environmental benefits of local fresh produce.

If you or your business/organization would like to become involved or receive more information, you can contact Neighbors Nourishing Communities at Neighborsnc@gmail.com or 503-523-7142. You can also follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NeighborsNC.

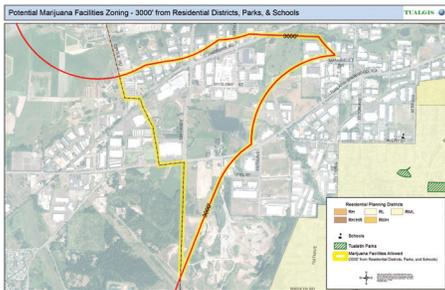


Veteran Memorial Day Event



This year's Memorial Day observance is on May 25, 10:45 am, at the Winona Cemetery, 9600 SW Tualatin Road. Guests need to bring their own chairs. The featured speaker is retired Marine Lt. Col. Norb Murray. Other participants include the Tualatin Police Honor Guard and Mayor Lou Ogden. A free picnic will follow at Tualatin Community Park provided by Tualatin VFW Men's Auxiliary. Questions? Contact Dale Potts at 503.692.1832 or email Vet.Dale@gmail.com.

Marijuana Facilities in Tualatin



Marijuana facilities are allowed to locate in a specific area of Tualatin under regulations effective May 2015. The new regulations apply to all types of facilities including production, processing, wholesaling, retailing, distribution, transfer, sale or consumption of either medical or recreational marijuana. The new regulations also apply to edible and homegrown marijuana, and marijuana extracts.

Marijuana facilities are allowed only in Light and General Manufacturing, and Manufacturing Business Park districts of Tualatin outside a 3,000-foot buffer from residential districts or uses, City parks, schools, and the public library. This area is generally bounded by SW Herman Road on the north, SW Manhasset Drive on the east, SW Tualatin-Sherwood Road on the south, and SW Cipole Road on the west (see map on left). Facilities must be located at least 2,000 feet apart and cannot be larger than 3,000 square feet in size. Businesses that dispense either recreational or medical marijuana may not locate on the same site with each other or with other types of facilities. Retail sales and medical dispensary facilities may be open to the public between 10:00 am and 8:00 pm. Facilities must be in permanent structures and may not have drive-through windows.

Edible marijuana must be individually wrapped and distinctly and clearly labeled, and include cautionary information about the contents. Packaging must be child-resistant and cannot be attractive to children or imitate candy. Butane extraction of marijuana is prohibited in Tualatin.

Homegrown marijuana cannot be cultivated in the front yard of any property in a residential planning district. It must be fully screened from view on all sides and located at least 10 feet from all property lines and 25 feet from all residences on neighboring properties. No person may produce, process, keep or store homemade marijuana extracts.

Questions about the new regulations may be directed to the City's Planning Division at 503.691.3029 or email chahn@ci.tualatin.or.us.

Residential Backflow Device Test Reports Due June 1

Don't forget! It is important to have your backflow device tested. The City requires that you submit a passing test report each year to avoid receiving a shut-off notice or interruption of your water service. Residential properties with any of the following items are required to have an approved backflow prevention device installed and tested by June 1: (1) in-ground irrigation system; (2) active well; (3) in-ground swimming pool/spa; (4) ornamental fountain; (5) fish pond; or (6) solar heating system. If you have questions contact Ernie Castro at 503.691.3098.

Building Safety Tips for Spring and Summer

May is Building Safety Month and is the perfect time to focus on outdoor safety. As the old saying goes, 'an ounce of prevention is always worth a pound of cure,' and in this instance prevention can mean an enjoyable—and safe—warm weather season. As families head outdoors to enjoy nice weather in spring and summer, special precautions should be taken to ensure outdoor areas are safe from potential hazards. Swimming pools, decks, barbecue grills, gardening tools, fertilizers and lawn toys all pose risks to children and adults.

Backyard Safety Tips

- Place grills away from siding, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches
- Keep children away from grills and fires
- Check propane cylinder hoses for leaks before use
- Keep steps, sidewalks and patios in good repair
- Look for loose or wobbly railings on your deck
- Check for corrosion, rot or cracks on your deck and schedule any needed repairs

Street Sweeping – May 4-15, Weather Permitting

Street sweeping will occur May 4-15, 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.

Summer Fun in Tualatin!

There are so many ways to enjoy Tualatin's parks this summer! Starting Friday nights in July, the popular Concerts on the Commons return for another season. Saturday nights in July and August bring the Movies on the Commons. Want a little bit of adventure right in your backyard? Rent a kayak or canoe at Brown's Ferry Park and paddle the Tualatin River. Take a walk or run through Tualatin Community Park over the Ki-a-Kuts pedestrian bridge. If you're looking for a place to have a party, game, or picnic, there are many facilities, sports fields, and shelters available for reservation. For details on all of this and more visit www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation.

Summer in the Park Day Camps

Our popular day camps are growing! For kids ages 4-5, we've added the brand new **Seekers** camp. Those entering 1st through 3rd grades (or ages 6 to 8), there's **Explorers** camp. Kids entering 4th through 5th grades (or ages 9 to



11) can enjoy **Voyagers** camp, which includes a weekly field trip. For the older kids and teens, the exciting **Teen Adventure Camps** (grades 6-12) offer youth an opportunity to get out and explore by rafting, climbing, surfing, and horseback

riding. Find out more and register at www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/summer-camps.

Tualatin TRYathlon June 6, 2015

The Tualatin TRYathlon is a fun, non-competitive event to encourage Tualatin's kids to get active. In addition to running, biking, and swimming in the TRYathlon, there will be lots more fun for the whole family! Registration for kids ages 6-15 is \$15, and includes a t-shirt, race bag, ribbon and lunch. Sign up today at www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/tualatin-tryathlon. Pre-registration closes May 20.

Summer Reading Fun Starts Soon!

Begin your summer of epic reads and great programs with our Summer Kick Off Party at the Library on Sunday, May 31, from 2:00-4:00 pm. We are looking for reading heroes of all ages to conquer our community challenge of 2.5 million minutes this

summer. Sign up from May 31 – July 31. June events include Tuesday Evenings on the Commons, comic-making for kids, a FIFA X-Box tournament for teens, and a celebration of local authors for adults.

Park Rules Reminder

As the weather warms, our park use increases. For the enjoyment of all users and protection of our parks, remember these important park rules:

- All dogs must be kept on a leash, with the exception of the off-leash dog park located in the north end of Tualatin Community Park.
- Please no bicycling or smoking at the Skate Park.
- Parks are open from sunrise to sunset, with the exception of lighted sports fields or tennis courts.

For a complete list of park rules, visit www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/park-rules.

Keep Our Rivers Clean

We need your help to keep the Tualatin River Watershed clean and healthy! What goes down the storm drain goes to the nearest stream and then the Tualatin River. Dumping waste kills fish and pollutes the watershed. If you see someone dumping waste into a storm drain, report it to Clean Water Services at 503.681.5175.

Ways you can help:

- Wash your car on the lawn or at a car wash
- Limit the use of chemicals in your yard
- Pick up after pets
- Take cleaning products and oil to a community drop-off. Call 503.234.3000 for information.

@MayorOgden



Every spring, we take the time to recognize many individuals who spend their time providing great service to the Tualatin community. On the front page, you read about our outstanding volunteers. The Volunteer Appreciation event is one of my favorite events of the year because it is truly inspiring to see so many people who are generous to share their time volunteering to make

our community a better place. Thank you for time and your service!

May 3-9 is Public Service Recognition Week, and I am also proud to thank all of the employees who work for the City of Tualatin and do an outstanding job providing services to our residents. Tualatin's employees care about our community and the people who live here. They work hard every day to provide the highest quality services, and to ensure our community is a great place to live, work and play. My favorite quote from one of our business owners is, "You can get City crews at your place faster than you can get a pizza!" This is a testament to the great employees we have working for our community. Thank you for your professional service.



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New Online Utility Bill Pay System



Heads up! There are new and exciting changes to the City's Utility Billing Website. We are refreshing our payment site for a more streamlined customer experience.

New enhancements include:

- Up-to-date balance information
- Ability to search transaction history
- Increased functionality & navigation
- Water Consumption Graph

We hope you will like the nice and simple layout, making things easier than ever to find. Look for instructions on registering, and additional information about the new site, included in your April bill or visit www.tualatinoregon.gov/finance.

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Watch City Council meetings live on 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 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.



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