The Word on the Street

National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. National Night Out has been celebrated across North America on the first Tuesday of August since 1983. It's a day when people hold neighborhood block parties to strengthen community cohesiveness and crime resistance, and get to know their neighbors and their local public safety officials. When neighbors get to know each other, they create a connected and safer community. The City is holding its annual National Night Out event at Jessie Mays Community Park on Tuesday, August 7th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Come out and meet your Police Chief, Police Officers, Mayor and City Councilors' along with Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue, Washington County Sheriff’s Office, Hillsboro Police Department and Oregon State Police. The Hillsboro Optimist Group will be hosting a FREE Bicycle Rodeo and the Knights of Pythias will be providing FREE bike helmets. The City of North Plains will provide a light dinner of hot dogs, chips, refreshments and dessert. Please feel free to bring a picnic dinner and hang out with us.

“IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY, WE PLEDGE TO”
* Protect the lives and property of our fellow citizens and impartially enforce the law.
* Reduce crime both by preventing it and by pursuing violators of the law.
* Maintain a higher standard of integrity than is generally expected of others because so much is expected of us.
* Value human life, respect the dignity of each individual and render our services with courtesy and civility.
Garlic Festival 2018

The North Plains Event Association wants you... TO VOLUNTEER! The Elephant Garlic Festival is our City’s signature event. It attracts over 20,000 people to our town. The festival is being held August 10-12, 2018 at Jessie Mays Community Center. Volunteer opportunities include but are not limited to the following: NPEA official shuttle drivers for pedestrians, sell t-shirts and other garlicky merchandise, clean-up during the festival and take-down at the end of the festival. If you are interested in getting your garlic on and being a part of a world class event, please email us at volunteeryourtime@northplains.org

This August will be the 21st year of the Elephant Garlic Festival. The three day festival’s theme this year is ‘ALL ABOARD THE GARLIC EXPRESS’. Wayne Holm, owner of Oregon-Canadian Forest Products, will be the Grand Marshal for the annual parade. See www.funstinks.com for more details.

Library News

ANNOUNCEMENTS: YOUTH SERVICES
The following items summarize our upcoming program offerings for younger library patrons:

OBOB WRITERS CLUB
OBOB at North Plains Public Library was such a success that we have decided to continue it year round! Please join us for our summer OBOB 2018-2019 book discussions. We will continue to read, write, and discuss one book per month for both 3-5 and 6-8 grade divisions. The titles are yet to be determined. Dates and times are:
Wednesday August 22nd 3 - 5th division 3:00pm until 4:30pm, 6 - 8th division 4:30pm until 6:00pm.

SUMMER READING
This summer the reading program is billed as Libraries Rock. Here is the lineup of the remaining entertainers with links to explain what they do. This year, in keeping with the theme, most are music related:

Mayor’s Corner
By Teri Lenahan

A local resident shared this information with me the other day, and I thought I would share it with the whole community.

OREGON VETERANS RECREATIONAL BENEFITS
Disabled Veteran Hunting and Fishing Licenses
Service-connected resident disabled war veterans rated 25% or more can get free hunting & fishing licenses. Disabled veterans are also eligible for an Oregon Elk tag at a reduced cost.

Active Duty Hunting & Fishing Licenses
Active duty members can get hunting & fishing licenses for the resident rate.

Oregon State Parks
You DO NOT have to be an Oregon resident to qualify for these benefits. Service-connected disabled veterans get free parking and camping at state parks. You may camp for free in a tent, RV or standard horse camp site for 10 nights at a time at a single state park, or a total of 10 nights in a 30 day period, regardless of the location. If you stay longer than 10 nights at a park, you will pay the standard rate for the extra days. You also have to pay the reservation fee. Active duty members get the same benefit, but they have to pay up front and then file for reimbursement. Additionally, all active duty service members can visit Oregon state parks for free on Memorial Day, Independence Day and Veterans Day.

Visit the Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs website for more information on any of these programs.

James Fage, a North Plains Planning Commissioner, serves on the West Tualatin Habitat for Humanity Advisory Board. They are looking for North Plains residents who are veterans, elderly, low-income and/or disabled homeowners who might need critical home repairs in order to maintain and live securely in their homes.
You can email James at james_fage@yahoo.com for more information.
• July 16 – 21 Spin and Win week. In the middle of the summer reading program we will allow kids to spin our wheel of fortune to have a chance to win cool prizes like a STEM learning kit, an educational book bundle, and even a ukulele!

• July 19th Gerardo Calderon 1pm www.ya-or.org/blog/2013/02/featured-artist-gerardo-calderon

• July 26th Jeff McMahon 1pm www.jeffmcmagic.com/

• August 2nd Eric Herman 1pm www.erichermanmusic.com/

• August 9th Aaron Nigel Smith 1pm www.aaronnigelsmith.com/

• August 16th Mad Science 1pm www.portland.madscience.org/

• August 23rd Angel Ocasio 1pm www.ocomedy.com/

• August 25 is the end of summer reading carnival (this year on Saturday by popular demand). Once again we will be featuring the artists and performers of Earth Fairy Entertainment and a host of huggable animals. Our lineup includes finisher reward books, face painting, snow cones, a bounce house, balloon twisters and more! www.earthfairyentertainment.com/

Book Babies Storytimes
Due to illness, Book Babies Storytime is on a hiatus. We are hoping that Early Childhood Specialist Lauren will be well enough to resume soon.

Storytimes
Children ages 0-6 are invited to participate every Wednesday at 11:30am in the children's section of the library. Here is a run-down on some of our upcoming story time themes for the next few months:
• July 25 – Mr. Will with hats and caps.
• August 1 – Mr. Will with “a home of my own”.

Family Fun Night
Join us at the Library on the First Friday of each month for a free showing of a PG-rated movie, and a chance for parents to get their holds or have a quiet moment! Board games are available for older kids to enjoy.

August 3. 6:30pm, EARLY MAN.
In this stop-motion animated comedy set in prehistoric times, a tribe of primitive hunters are displaced from their homes by emissaries from a distant empire that has mastered bronze making. However, a tribesman named Dug (voice of Eddie Redmayne) tries to win his home back by challenging the invaders to a game of soccer. Directed by Nick Park, best known as the creator of the beloved animated duo Wallace and Gromit. Tom Hiddleston, Maisie Williams, Timothy Spall, and Richard Ayoade also lend their voices.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ADULT SERVICES
Here is a rundown on the adult focused news and programs that occurred recently or are scheduled to occur next month. All are welcome at our programs.

Mind Your Yoga
Library Volunteer Meena has settled on “Mind your Yoga“ as the title of our new mindfulness and fitness group. In response to the many requests we have received, we are planning the following schedule for the next few months to see if the group can become successfully established: Tuesday July 17, and 24 from 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm. After July, Mind Your Yoga, will meet the first three Tuesdays of each month.

Library Book Club
New members are always welcome to join in the monthly discussions. The group meets regularly once a month, usually on the last Wednesday of each month at 7pm at the North Plains Public Library. Here is the rundown of upcoming titles for 2018:
• Aug. 29 - The Bright Hour – Nina Riggs (Suggested by Kris Kelly & Carolyn Leavitt)
• Sept. 26 - The Great Alone – Kristin Hannah (Suggested by Lori Andresen)
• Oct. 31 - Happiness is a Choice You Make – John Leland (Suggested by Jennifer Knowles)
- Nov. 28 - Love and Other Consolation Prizes – Jamie Ford (Suggested by Mark Leavitt)
- Dec. 26 - Before We Were Yours – Lisa Wingate (Suggested by Jennifer Knowles)

SAVE THE DATES: KEY DATES FOR THE NEAR FUTURE
Culinary Literacy September 14th *The Pies of Malta*, a food travelogue with regional pies and wine.

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**Parks & Recreation Board**

The Parks and Recreation Board is looking for community input/feedback about the proposed city wide Parks and Trails improvements. Information posters will be displayed at the NP Garlic Festival August 10th-12th, near or at the information booth. Someone from the Parks and Recreation Board will be there to answer questions and receive comments. We think you will be excited about the proposed improvements! The most imminent change is scheduled for the splash pad at LaMordden Park. A picnic shade shelter has been ordered and will be installed in the very near future.

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**August Calendar**

08/03  **Family Fun Night**  6 p.m. at Jessie Mays
08/06  **City Council Meeting**  *Cancelled*
08/07  **National Night Out**  6 p.m. at Jessie Mays
08/08  **Planning Commission**  7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center
08/09  **Food Pantry**  5 p.m. at the Yellow House, 31311 NW Commercial St
08/10  **Garlic Festival**  12 p.m. at Jessie Mays
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08/22  **Parks Board**  6 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center
08/24  **Food Pantry**  5:30 p.m. at the Yellow House

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**Fire Department News**

**Enjoy the health benefits of swimming**

*It’s never too late to learn*

Swimming offers many health and fitness benefits. It works your entire body, enhances your cardiovascular conditioning, builds muscle strength and endurance, and improves your posture and flexibility.

It’s also a low-impact exercise that protects your joints from stress and strain, making it an activity that can be enjoyed at any age.

It’s never too late to learn how to swim, and Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue encourages parents to ensure their children learn this life skill and how to stay safe in and around water.

Both adults and children can enroll in swimming lessons taught by qualified instructors. This summer, as people head to area pools and local waterways to cool off and enjoy the outdoors, TVF&R advises you to plan ahead for possible risks, learn about water safety, and know how to respond to a water emergency.

A drowning or near-drowning can happen in a matter of seconds. It typically occurs when a child is left unattended or during a brief lapse in supervision. Some may be surprised to learn that drowning is silent — there can be very little splashing, waving, or swimming to alert parents and bystanders to a swimmer in distress.

Make safety a priority when in or around water by following these tips:

- Always supervise children, giving them your undivided attention. Keep young kids within arm’s reach of an adult and make sure older children swim with a partner.
- Use the buddy system — even adults should never swim alone, especially in open water like lakes, rivers, and streams.
- Know your swimming limits, and keep an eye on weaker swimmers.
- Watch for the dangerous “toos.” Take frequent breaks if you are feeling too tired, too cold, too far from safety, exposed to too much sun, or experience too much strenuous activity.
Don’t dive in shallow water or unfamiliar areas. The American Red Cross recommends 9 feet as a minimum depth for diving.

Young children should always wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket when in or around open water. Weak or non-swimmers should also wear a life jacket in pools.

Do not use air-filled swimming aids in place of life jackets or life preservers with children. “Water wings” can give parents and kids a false sense of security. These air-filled aids are toys that are not designed to be personal-flotation devices.

Adults should have or wear a personal-flotation device when boating or fishing in open water.

Avoid alcohol and drugs.

Have a charged cellphone nearby in the event of an emergency.

Learn CPR and basic water rescue skills. TVF&R also reminds you that swimming in a natural body of water is different than a pool. More skills and energy are needed, along with an eye for potential hazards. Those heading to swim outdoors in open water need to be aware of uneven surfaces, river currents, ocean undertow, and changing weather.

For more safety tips, visit www.tvfr.com

**Economic Development Committee**

The City of North Plains is looking for five citizens to join the newly formed Economic Development Advisory Committee!

We need fresh ideas that will help develop and grow economic opportunity in the City of North Plains. The Committee would perform advisory functions at the direction of the City Council.

We are looking for representatives from the North Plains business community, North Plains’ residents or property owners, and other individuals with professional or volunteer experience in the area of economic development.

If you would like to apply, please fill out the application on our website (click here), and email it to our City Recorder at lori.lesmeister@northplains.org.

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**Police Department News**

School is out for summer and the North Plains Police Department wants to remind drivers and parents about the importance of keeping children safe throughout the summer months.

Drivers should be extra cautious in looking for child pedestrians and bicyclists during the summer.

- Be alert, especially in residential areas.
- Expect the unexpected. Children may cross the street at the wrong place or suddenly run or ride in front of you.
- Obey all laws. Slow down if there are children along the road or crossing the street. Come to a full stop at intersections.
- Be predictable. Don’t make sudden maneuvers that others, particularly children on foot or on a bicycle, are not expecting.
- Double check behind you and around you when backing out of a driveway or parking space.
- Avoid distractions.
- Yield the right of way to pedestrians. It isn’t just courteous, it’s the law.

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**Farm Rodders**

**Cruise-In at The**

**NORTH PLAINS**

**ELEPHANT GARLIC FESTIVAL**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12TH**

10AM TO 2PM

FREE TO ENTER

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NORTH PLAINS, OREGON

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**Rogue Brew Pub & Eatery**

Located in Beautiful DOWN TOWN NORTH PLAINS is now open 9am Saturday and Sundays during the month of AUGUST, come on in and check out our new limited menu lineup; Chicken garlic sausages; Potato garlic soup; Garlic, cucumber and radish salad; Garlic, onion and portobello mushroom pizza. Come hang out in our outdoor seating area. We are bicycle, dog, & family friendly. Check out our live music; Wednesday nights we have Sarah McMahon, weekends; Strawberry Roan 8/3, Joy Ride 8/10, The S.O.B’s 8/17, Mitch Ward & Americana Jukebox 8/24 and ADAM & DEVIN 8/31. Come enjoy one of our many handcrafted cocktails or craft beers and enjoy the show.

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