



City of Tangent

Your Community Newsletter

October 2014

Tangent Fire District News

The date for the 2014 Pancake Breakfast at the Tangent Fire Station is Saturday, October 11th, which will coincide with the end of Fire Prevention Week. Breakfast starts at 7:00 am. Support your local firefighters!

Who are your Volunteer Firefighters? For a number of reasons volunteerism in general has been in a steady decline nationally for many years. Volunteer fire departments have been hit especially hard as call volumes have increased dramatically due to the emergence of Emergency Medical Services as a primary role. Regulations and training requirements to become an Emergency Medical Technician or qualify as a combat firefighter have become cumbersome and, with most young families, there is not enough free time available. Those and several other reasons have created shortages and caused many departments to transition to paid firefighters or look for creative ways to keep volunteers in their ranks. One thing that Tangent Fire District has done is to allow people who do not live within the district boundaries to join the department. At first only a few members were out-of-district, but those numbers have risen as fewer in-district residents are volunteering. The number of out-of-district volunteers at Tangent Fire District has now reached 50%. This means simply that half of those volunteering to protect the citizens of Tangent are not residents. Most live in Albany and some volunteer because they have a desire to help others, while others are looking for experience as they pursue careers in the fire service. Without these out-of-district volunteers we would not be able to continue to provide the service you deserve and expect. If you are a resident of Tangent and have the time and desire to give back to this great community by becoming a volunteer firefighter, we would love to talk to you.

October starts a big time for the Tangent Rural Fire Protection District. This month we begin our Fire Prevention Program at the Tangent Elementary School and also the Central Valley Christian School.

This has been some time in the making. Now that we have finally achieved our goal of getting into the schools with some education, we are thoroughly excited. This will give us an excellent opportunity to teach about Fire Safety to our young and growing generations and mind. This will be a large task, but the reward will be priceless.

This is also Fire Prevention Month. This yearly event dates back to October 7-9, 1871. This was the Great Chicago Fire. This was a large turning point for the fire service. This is when there was the realization that we needed to reach out to the community and teach fire prevention and safety. So, being Fire Prevention Month we ask you to

1. Check your smoke detectors weekly (like you do throughout the year)
2. Keep cooking safety in mind
3. Go over escape plans and meeting places with your entire household
4. Above all we want you to **BE SAFE!!**

If you have any questions or are interested in any materials, please contact Tangent Rural Fire Protection District at 541-928-8722. Thank you, and hope to see you at breakfast October 11th. *Fire Chief Scott Casebolt*

Community Events

Tangent Elementary School

- 10/1 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 10/7 PTC Meeting—7:00 pm Library
- 10/8 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 10/10 No School
- 10/13 School Board Meeting-7:00 pm
District Office
- 10/15 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 10/16 National Boss' Day
Birthday Lunch w/ Tangent firefighters
Oktoberfest—6:00-7:30 pm Cafeteria
- 10/22 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 10/24 Kindergarten & 1st Grade Field Trip
Pumpkin Patch 9:30-11:20 am
- 10/27 School Board Meeting—7:00 pm
District Office
- 10/29 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 10/31 Halloween

Tangent Community Church

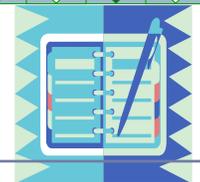
32114 Tangent Drive, 541-926-3803

Upcoming **Ladies Fellowship** will be on Saturday, October 4th at 11:00 am. Please join us for some fun and nutritious snacks, good fellowship with Christian friends, some sharing from the Word, and prayer.

Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, October 25th at 8:00 am. Join us! We always enjoy a wonderful home-prepared breakfast, a message from the Word, good fellowship with Christian friends, and prayer.

Mark your calendars and contact us (or American Red Cross) for our blood drive coming November 28th. The hours may be 10:00 am—3:00 pm, but that isn't for sure yet. If you are interested in donating at this blood drive, please contact Eddie Olson at 541-619-5484. The need is constant, the gratification is immediate! You ONE donation can save three lives! Please help and donate!!

Calendar and Meetings



PLEASE JOIN US at any and all the following listed meetings. All meetings are public and held at the City Hall—Bass Estate, *unless noted otherwise*. All times are subject to change. Meeting agendas are available at: www.cityoftangent.org. If you would like to receive agendas by e-mail or regular mail, please contact City Hall. **City Council Packets are available on line at: www.cityoftangent.org**

ONGOING CITY MEETINGS:

Planning Commission meets on 1st & 3rd THURSDAY each month, as needed. Starts at 7 p.m.

City Council Meeting meets on 2nd MONDAY each month. Work session starts at 6:30 p.m. Regular meeting starts at 7 p.m. Next meeting October 13, 2014.

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