



# *Raleigh Park Voice*

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## The Annual Concert in the Park on August 11th!

**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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Bring your family, a lawn chair or a blanket, and meet your neighbors and friends for a summer evening of fun and music on August 11<sup>th</sup>. The Tualatin Hills Park & 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 11<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 PM.

Pepe & the Bottle Blondes will be providing the music (for more information <http://www.thprd.org/events/event.cfm?id=270>). Pepe & the Bottle Blondes play Copacabana style, Latin rhythms with hot stage show. The music starts at 6 pm and will finish at 8 pm. Food and beverages are available for purchase, or bring your own picnic. Seating is on the grass; beach/sand chairs or blankets for seating are encouraged. Regular height lawn chairs will be asked to move to the side or rear.

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](mailto:dfife@thprd.com).

## The Third Biennial Raleigh Park Garden Tour

The Garden Tour was a great success as it raised some \$6,000 this year. The Garden Tour took visitors to seven beautiful and diverse privately owned gardens in our Raleigh Park and Montclair neighborhoods during the Garden Tour.

## Walmart

Walmart has purchased the "old" Zupan's building on Beaverton Hillsdale Highway near Apple Way. Walmart plans to feature their smaller "Neighborhood Market" stores which at around 40,000 feet, carry everyday items and are positioned more as a Safeway or Albertson's competitor. That size also means that, unlike superstores, Neighborhood Markets can easily fit into urban settings. The local

commercial real estate firm Urban Works released a report indicating that not only has Walmart been looking into as many as 17 locations, it has already bought or leased a dozen, and is close to securing a couple more locations, including in such quintessentially “Portland/Beaverton” neighborhoods as Raleigh Hills. The retail giant seems to be getting all the planning and paperwork out of the way before making any public announcement. Many of the new markets will be opened in sites that were previously inhabited by grocery stores and are already permitted as such, meaning Walmart will not be required to seek neighborhood approval.

### Raleigh Hills Business Association

The Raleigh Hills Business Association recently formed to provide information to some 30 local businesses in Raleigh Hills and Raleigh Park area. The mission of the Raleigh Hills Business Association is to support the community of Raleigh Hills; to promote a vibrant business environment, maintain a safe and healthy climate, create community consciousness and maximize livability. Go to their web site (<http://www.raleighhillsbusinessassn.org>) for more information on the association and other local activities in the Raleigh Hills area.

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