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### **Olivia Paulson named 2015 Tigard Shining Stars Youth Volunteer of the Year**



**Olivia Paulson** has been selected as the 2015 Shining Stars Tigard Youth Volunteer of the Year, named in honor of former Mayor Jim Nicoli, who passed away in 2000. Mayor Nicoli's dedication to the youth of our community was a fitting way to honor his name and award a youth in our community who volunteers to make a difference. Many young people in Tigard are active in volunteer efforts and it is our pleasure to acknowledge their contributions of dedication, energy and community spirit. They are the future!

Since June of 2010, Olivia has served over 120 hours in a variety of City of Tigard volunteer and youth leadership roles. She has served during the last 5 years as a Summer Team Leader helping her peers learn to shelve in the City Library, on the Tigard Youth Advisory Council and with DARE Camp & Peer Court. Most recently, Olivia has been the liaison for Tigard High's Key Club, coordinating dozens of club members and hundreds of hours of weekly shelving in the library. Staff who have worked with her agree that she has mastered and contributed in each position with efficiency and enthusiasm.

Olivia has exhibited a steady, focused approach to her volunteer career path seldom seen in people her age. In each role, she has communicated clearly, contributed to the overall goals, and has helped staff immensely in formal and spontaneous ways. She is flexible and able to change course when needed in often chaotic situations. She's able to laugh and to lighten the mood at appropriate times.

In a quote from those nominating her "As a young teenager, Olivia stood out at the library as mature and confident. We have enjoyed watching her grow into an accomplished young woman. We will miss her when she moves on to the next stages of her life. Until then, we'll be happy to see her here to volunteer or as a library patron."

Please join us in congratulating Olivia on this well-deserved award. Her award will be formally presented with other Tigard volunteer and business awards at Tigard's 2015 Shining Stars Community Awards Celebration, sponsored by Platinum Title Sponsor Washington Federal and held on Friday, April 24th from 5:30-9 p.m. at Embassy Suites – Washington Square, event location host. With a theme of "Tigard's Oscars", this Oscar's themed dinner event includes dinner, silent auction, dessert dash, awards, and more. Tickets are only \$35/person. So dress your best and come join us to celebrate Tigard!

For further details about Shining Stars, please contact the Tigard Area Chamber of Commerce at 503-639-1656 or at [debi@tigardchamber.org](mailto:debi@tigardchamber.org) or go to our webpage at [www.tigardchamber.org](http://www.tigardchamber.org)

