

# Forest Grove.

*The Start of Great Ideas.*



*By 1854 a new charter had been granted, establishing "Tualatin Academy and Pacific University." Congregational missionaries were key leaders in the establishment and growth of the University, and that legacy is still regarded as an important influence.*



*In 2004, the College of Health Professions was formed; consolidating all the health programs except for the College of Optometry under one umbrella.*

## Forest Grove Firsts

Since its founding by Oregon Trail pioneers in 1841, innovation, creativity and entrepreneurialism have inspired great things to happen in Forest Grove. And today continues to attract creative artists, entrepreneurs, academics and winemakers.

## Did You know That

It is here that Tabitha Moffatt Brown, a pioneer emigrant, founded the first university west of the Mississippi. Originally named Tualatin Academy, it grew to become Pacific University. In 1987 the Oregon Legislature honored Tabitha as the "Mother of Oregon."

Forest Grove contains the largest giant sequoia in Oregon.

The Pacific University school of optometry was the first program of its type to award a Doctor of Optometry degree in the U.S. It has been on the cutting edge of pro sports helping to develop everything from contact lenses for pro athlete to the Nike HI-VIS soccer ball.

The world's largest barber pole is located on Main Street by Lincoln Park.

The annual Luau, held at Pacific University, is the 2nd largest in the continental United States.



*Charles Coury*

## Winery Innovation

Forest Grove has a long history of innovation in Oregon's wine industry.

In 1904 Forest Grove winemaker Ernest Reuter won a medal at the St. Louis World Fair. It was the first medal recorded by an Oregon winemaker

In 1965, at the present day David Hill Vineyard, Charles Coury planted the first of Oregon's famous pinot noir grapes.

In 1985, Bill Fuller of Tualatin Estates vineyard was the first Oregon winemaker to win best of show for both pinot and chardonnay at the London international Wine competition.

Tualatin Estates was the first Oregon winery to make the Wine Spectator's Top 100 list in 1989.

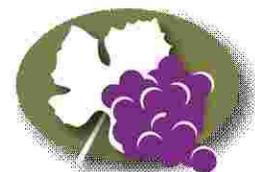
Sake One, the first and only American owned "kura," (brewery) was established in Forest Grove in 1992 and is the leading producer of "ginjo" or premium grade sake in the U.S.

By 1848, Mrs. Brown was "house-mother" to the students there and had become a driving force behind the school.

Today, as an independent university, Pacific continues to maintain ties with the United Church of Christ Council for Higher Education. The University supports religious pluralism, and is committed to instilling a sense of values and ethics, compassion, caring and conscience in both students and programs.

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