



Skyline Rural Watch Newsline

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Friday March 19, 2010

Local Events

Tree & Native Plant Sale @ Skyline Grange

When: Friday - Saturday, April 16- 17, 9a.m. - 5p.m.

Where: Skyline Grange, 11275 NW Skyline Blvd.

Stock: Native Plants: from Bosky-Dell Natives (buy as pre-order or at Sale)

Bareroot Shade & Flowering Trees & Shrubs: from local generous nursery Bareroot Fruit Trees: from local generous nursery

Details: Quality & Quantity

Bareroots available only during Sale

Natives can be pre-ordered or purchased during Sale.

Questions or to Volunteer to Help:

Bareroots: Catherine Dalziel (503-621-0225); Mary Young (503-286-7613)

Native Plants: Sen Speroff (503-621-3331)

Email: grangeplants_2010@msn.com

Website: www.skylineridgeneighbors.org

Oregon Food Bank benefits too: Please bring nonperishable goods to help support the Oregon Food Bank

Pre-Order Skyline Grange's Native Plants

Deadline: April 11

How: Fill out the [Pre-Order Form](#) and return it by April 11. Pay and pick up your Pre-Order at Skyline Grange's Tree & Native Plant Sale on April 16-17

Plant Descriptions: Not sure about which plants suits your site? Refer to our [Pre-Order Plant Description](#) . It's easy.

Meetings

Columbia River Crossing Update

Through the Woods and Over the River?

The most expensive project in Oregon history is being planned just over the hill from our neighborhoods. Will it affect traffic patterns on Cornelius Pass and Germantown Roads? Will it require any general taxation? Will it really support a sound regional economy long into the future?

These and many other questions are being considered in the planning for the new I-5 Bridge.

The Columbia River Crossing project team will be presenting an update on project planning status, issues to resolve, and funding strategies at Forest Park Neighborhood Association's May 18 meeting.

A question-and-answer session will follow their 20-minute presentation. Please join FPNA to hear about the project, and bring your questions.

Time: Tuesday, May 18, 7:00 PM

Place: Willis Building, 360 NW Greenleaf (west off Skyline Blvd. at the crest of the hill between Burnside and Cornell Roads. It looks like a driveway... It is a driveway - to the Willis Bldg. if you go straight.)

submitted by: Jim Emerson, FPNA President

Government

Cornelius Pass Road to close Sunday for safety work

Multnomah County will close NW Cornelius Pass Road between Highway 30 and NW Germantown Road on Sunday, March 21 from 6 am until as late as 8 pm to complete work on a safety improvement.

The safety improvements were funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The federal grant can only be used on projects that can be designed and completed by 2010. Multnomah County is pursuing funds to complete other safety improvements on Cornelius Pass Road recommended in a recent federal safety audit. The current project is expected to be completed in late March.

During the road closure, through traffic should use these alternate routes:

- o Cars: NW Cornell Road, NW Germantown Road, NW Logie Trail Road, NW Newberry Road, NW Old Cornelius Pass Road, or NW Skyline Blvd.
 - o Trucks: U.S. Highway 26
 - o Trucks with Hazardous Cargo: Interstate 5 south to U.S. Highway 217 north to U.S. Highway 26
- Access to Cornelius Pass Road will be provided for local residents and emergency vehicles at all times. Residents should carry identification with your local address to ensure access. Flaggers will direct traffic across Cornelius Pass Road at intersections such as NW Skyline Blvd.

For more information, visit the current projects website at www.multco.us/roads.

Multnomah County Land Use Planning

Case #: T2-09-004

Where: on Property off of McNamee Road (Taxlot 500, Sec 30, T2N, R1W)

What: Approved with conditions a permit for a new Forest Template Dwelling in the Commercial Forest Use-2 zone with a Significant Environmental Concern overlay for wildlife habitat, streams, & slope hazard.

Details: Unless appealed, this decision is effective on Fri., Mar. 26, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

Link:

<http://www.sunschools.org/Public/EntryPoint?ch=a0ce713af49d5110VgnVCM1000003bc614acRCRD>

Case #: T2-10-007

Where: 13610 & 13611 NW Skyline Blvd.

What: Period to Comment on a Lot Line Adjustment application

When: Written comments accepted until 4:30 p.m. on March 29, 2010.

Link: [http://www.sunschools.org/Community_Services/LUT-Planning/Notices/T2-10-007_Lot_line_adj_at_13610_NW_Skyline_Blvd_\(due_3-29-10\).pdf](http://www.sunschools.org/Community_Services/LUT-Planning/Notices/T2-10-007_Lot_line_adj_at_13610_NW_Skyline_Blvd_(due_3-29-10).pdf)

Backyard Burn Season Resumed:

When: March 1 through June 15

How: Before you burn, first find out if it is an approved burn day by calling (503) 992-3242.

Well water tests and class offered

Oregon State University Extension Service - Washington Co.

OSU Extension Service is coordinating an opportunity to have well water tested for bacteria at a reduced rate. This will be followed up with a free, educational program to provide homeowners with basic information on how to care for their drinking water well and septic system.

Well owners can pick up bottles and instructions for well water tests from a number of locations throughout Washington County now. A fee of \$25.00 for bacteria tests must be paid when picking up a test bottle. Water samples are to be returned to the pickup sites on either Friday April 16 or Wednesday, April 21 before 10:00 am for transportation to the lab. The class is scheduled Saturday, May 1, 2010 from 10:00 am - noon at the Reedville Elementary School, 2695 SW 209th Ave, Aloha, OR 97006. (Turn onto 209th from TV Highway). Water test results will be returned at the class. You do not have to have your water tested to attend the free class.

Mike Gamroth, OSU Professor and Extension Service Water Quality Program coordinator will review well water maintenance and safety issues and how to protect and improve your water quality in the class. This workshop may also be of interest to landlords and tenants of homes with wells and septic systems, realtors and potential home buyers. Gamroth will address issues including well head protection, pump maintenance, recommended testing, septic tank pumping and drain field maintenance. There will be time for questions and discussion. Free nitrate tests will be offered at the class for participants who bring along a sample of their water.

There is no charge for class attendance or materials, but pre-registration is requested so that we can prepare adequate materials. Walk-ins will be welcome. For more information and to pre-register, call OSU Extension Service, 503-821-1150.

Sites that have water bottles for bacteria tests are: Ace Hardware, Forest Grove; Jim's Thriftway, Banks; North Plains Hardware; Petrich General Store, Scholls; and OSU Extension Service, corner of 185th and Walker Roads, Beaverton.

Contact: Jeanne Brandt, OSU Extension Faculty
Washington County Phone: 503-821-1117

Oregon State University Extension Service
Washington County Office
18640 NW Walker Road #1400
Beaverton, OR 97006-8927
503-725-2300 | 503-725-2100 (fax)
<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington>

ADS

Needed: Clean Plastic Garden Plant Trays:

Why: for Skyline Grange's native plant sale.

When: Drop off at Grange's front door March 21-28.

Hi. I live on Newberry Road and I'm looking for a few animals. If you have any you're wanting to give or sell, please contact me!

1 Llama, female or gelding - for eating & guarding things

1 sheep - for eating things

1 cat - mouser, for eating mice and being a amicable indoor cat

Thanks, Carl

carlvz@mac.com

503-286-3700

Community Calendar

Census Questionnaire Assistance Center at Brooks Hill Historic Church (11539 NW Skyline, across from Skyline Elementary) 3/19 Friday 4-7

3/22 Monday 10-1

3/23 Tuesday 4-7

3/24 Wednesday 3-6 (Before yoga)

3/25 Thursday 4-7

3/26 Friday 4-7

Skyline Grange's annual Tree & Native Plant Sale is set for Friday, April 16 & Saturday, April 17

Saturday, April 17 SOLV Neighborhood Cleanup - more details to come.

Forest Park Neighborhood Association's Meeting: Topic Columbia River Crossing Update.

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ABOUT THE NEWSLINE:

- Skyline Rural Watch Newsline is a part of Skyline Ridge Neighbors (SRN) and has been produced since June 1994 as a means to communicate neighborhood information. The Newsline is produced by Laurel Erhardt (editor) with help from Miles Merwin, Rich Edwards, Libby Merwin, Sharon Barthmaier, Jennifer Jenkins, Sara Bowersox and Sen Speroff.
- The Newsline depends on you as a source of accurate information about local crimes, upcoming events, and other news pertinent to the area. If you have information you would like considered for the Newsline, you may do so by e-mailing the information to newsline@skylineridgeneighbors.org, or leaving a message at (503) 621-3501. Urgent, timely items (crimes, lost pets) should be emailed to alert@skylineridgeneighbors.org.
- If you would like more detailed information about any item on the Newsline, request that information & SRN will e-mail it to you if available.
- Tell your neighbors about this free Newsline service.
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ABOUT SKYLINE RIDGE NEIGHBORS:

- SRN is a neighborhood association serving much of unincorporated northwest Multnomah County and some adjacent areas within the city of Portland. SRN is registered as a neighborhood association within Multnomah County, registered as a non-profit public benefit corporation with the State of Oregon and approved as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization under the IRS Code. SRN is operated by volunteers and with donated funds entirely.
- If you would like to donate to SRN in support of its activities, such as this free Newsline service and the publication of its quarterly Skyline Ridge Runner, send your donation to "**Skyline Ridge Neighbors**", c/o Laurel Erhardt, 14416 NW Skyline Blvd., Portland, OR 9723 Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

