



# Skyline Ridge Runner

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Skyline Ridge Neighbors

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A Nonprofit Neighborhood Association Serving Northwestern Multnomah County, Oregon

## Jan. 25 Talk on New Opportunity to Save Money on Solar Panels

By Alison Wallisch, Neighbors West-Northwest

Would you like to save money while saving energy? Bring the power of solar into your home. Learn more at an informational meeting Tuesday, January 25, 7 p.m., at Brooks Hill Church.

Solarize Northwest is a volunteer-driven community effort designed to bring solar electricity and weatherization benefits to Northwest and inner Southwest Portland. Interested neighbors come together to save money through the bulk purchase of solar electric panels.

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**Solarize Northwest, p. 7** ➤

## Neighbors to Discuss Solutions to Road Safety Issues on Feb. 16

By Jay Kravitz

Over the past decades, increasing population density in West Multnomah County has resulted in public safety and environment challenges. On our neighborhood roadways, an increased volume of cars, trucks, and motorcycles traveling at high speeds poses a significant safety threat to residents. Skyline Boulevard and feeder roads have become a playground for urban recreators, who care not to recognize that people live here. A significant number of crashes, several quite serious, occurred this past summer along Skyline. It is clear Multnomah County needs to improve services in our area.

Skyline Ridge is also a favorite recreational venue of bicyclists. Motorists and cyclists both share a responsibility to safely operate their vehicles. "Share the road" signs are not very effective. As a long-term cyclist, I am very conscious of motorists who take exception to cyclists whether they are following the rules of the road or not. Most cyclists are respectful of traffic rules. The minority, who are not, endangers everyone on two wheels.

A 25-year-long, ongoing dialogue between Skyline residents and the Multnomah County Roads Department has resulted in modest but inadequate road safety improvements. Insufficient sheriff patrols invite continued traffic infractions and other problems. One deputy patrols a vast area, including Sauvie Island, Raleigh Hills, and Skyline Ridge, once per shift...unless called elsewhere. This coverage is inadequate. The sheriff's department maintains a small satellite office on Sauvie Island, but has no permanent presence on Skyline Ridge.

Data and documents that highlight the imperative for

improved public safety interventions have been solicited by me from various Multnomah County agencies. No information is yet forthcoming. My inference is that it will take the community to force the county into action.

All Skyline residents are encouraged to come to a public meeting February 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Skyline Grange. The meeting will focus on potential ways the community can address traffic safety problems that result mainly from recreational speeding. The goals of the meeting are to prioritize the solutions we want, and to identify a core group willing to voice those demands to the appropriate county officials.

Some potential solutions that will be discussed at the Feb. 16 meeting include:

- Increased sheriff patrols and staff
- Satellite sheriff's office at the Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue station at Cornelius Pass and Skyline
- An assessment of traffic safety / danger areas along each road in question to inform the roads department of needed improvements
- Speed traps in high speed areas
- Where speed limit signs do not work, installation of speed bumps (unlikely to be welcomed by locals)
- Improved signage that better indicates the need for motorists to "share the road"
- Improved signage that reminds cyclists to travel "single file when traffic approaches"

If you are concerned for your own and your family's safety as you travel our neighborhood roads, please come to the meeting and help us develop a plan of action to compel Multnomah County to address our concerns. □

# Skyline Ridge Runner

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## Skyline Ridge Neighbors Inc.

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The views and opinions presented herein are those of the authors and are not necessarily endorsed by SRN or Skyline neighborhood residents.

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## Treasurer's Report

*By Karen Garber*

### SRN Income & Expenses 10/1/2010 - 11/30/2010

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE OCTOBER 1</b>	<b>16,749</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	
Advertising	145
Donations	140
Interest	19
CPR Class Fees	120
Summer Gathering Online Auction	25
Other	25
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>474</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Administration	0
Ridge Runner	812
CPR Class	340
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,152</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENSE)</b>	<b>(677)</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE NOVEMBER 30</b>	<b>16,072</b>

### Thanks For Your Donations!

Many thanks to the following neighbors and friends who made a cash donation to SRN between October 1 and November 30, 2010:

- ~ Joe & Sharon Barthmaier
- ~ Loretta Field & Floyd Nelson
- ~ Charlotte Lawrence

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## Judith Ann DesMarets, 1951-2010

Judith Ann DesMarets (Schur) died unexpectedly on December 19th, 2010. Born Feb. 2, 1951, Judith Ann came from a family of 9 brothers and sisters. She leaves behind her mother, in Hermiston, Oregon, husband Herb DesMarets, son Brian and daughter Teena. Judith Ann graduated in 1969 from Hermiston High School and attended Blue Mountain College. Her occupation was Hospice Nurse, which she loved and said to many that it was "her calling in life".

There will be a gathering on January 8th. Please contact George Sowder at 503-621-3552 for details.

Due to the deadline for this issue, her family and

friends didn't have time to write a more complete story of her life. Therefore, the April edition of the *Ridge Runner* will have more remembrances from those who knew her personally and professionally. If you wish to write a story about Judith Ann, please email it to [ridgerunner@srnpdx.org](mailto:ridgerunner@srnpdx.org) by March 15th. □



## In My Opinion

### Thanks to the Community

On June 24, 2010 my daughter, Madison, and I were involved in a head on collision on Skyline Blvd, west of Cornelius Pass Rd. As anyone can imagine the experience was traumatic, including the ambulance ride to the emergency room and the overnight stay in the hospital. In this season of giving and counting our blessings our family wanted to thank the Skyline community for their generosity and kindness on that day and the week that followed. The number of people who stopped to help us the day of the accident was overwhelming and the people who visited our house the following week to bring us a meal or simply introduce themselves with offers of help was truly inspiring. We wanted the Skyline community to know that we appreciated every gesture of kindness and support. We feel truly blessed to live among such wonderful, giving people.

Sincerely,  
Erena Friedrich of Elliott Rd.

### Rock Creek Road in Washington Co.

To the Washington County Board of Commissioners:

I am asking you to re-think and revise your decision on the 5-0 "No" Vote that your Commissioners recently voted on in October, 2010, concerning the improvement of the portion of roadway located in Washington County on Rock Creek Road between Old Cornelius Pass Road and

the Multnomah County line (approximately ¼ mile).

We, the citizens of this road, (some of us who voted for you), are asking for your help to please fix this road. We have heard a rumor that you Commissioners believe that we do not care about this road. This is the farthest thing from the truth. This road is a lifeline for us to get to our jobs and back home, for our kids to get to school via the school bus, etc. It is an essential link for emergency vehicles.

This small piece of roadway is almost impassible. We are not asking for a total pave job. We are, in fact, not asking for much. All that we would like is for the County to fix the potholes and to re-stripe the road. There have been many close accidents and many blown tires. It has become a serious safety concern. It would be a shame if Washington County were to incur serious liability as a result of injury or death to a person or several persons. It is my belief that if any of you Commissioners lived on this road, I think your vote would have been different.

On behalf of all of the Rock Creek Road residents, the emergency services, the utility services, the school bus drivers, and any other number of drivers who need access to the road, I beseech you, Washington County Board of Commissioners, to do the right thing and re-think, re-do your vote!

Sincerely,  
Mark Matos of Rock Creek Road



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## Look Out For Theft on Your Wooded Property

By Michael Ahr, Forest Conservationist, West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District

In early December 2010, the Washington State Department of Forestry reported the theft of an estimated 40,000 pounds of pine and Douglas-fir boughs. Hundreds of trees that would have been worth \$40,000 at harvest were stripped of all their branches. The culprits are thieves who take these forest products to sell as holiday greenery. The greenery can fetch a few dollars a pound on the open market.

We have not heard of any theft along Skyline Ridge, but if you own forest property, be aware of the potential risk.

Many landowners in the Pacific Northwest are legally engaged in selling "special forest products" from their woods: mushrooms, cedar bark, conifer cones, huckleberries, salal, decorative boughs, and even bigleaf maple syrup. We encourage landowners to become involved in marketing these products on their land, and there are ways to harvest sustainably without damaging the forest or its ecosystem. However, in fall, as the winter holidays approach and demand for decorative greenery increases, we see a lot of "opportunists" grabbing more than their fair share from our forests.

I recommend taking a walk around your property at least every couple of weeks, especially in fall, when theft risk is highest.

- Walk along any roads (public or private) to see if any new trails have been made into the forest
- Look for cut branches and shrubs, fresh cuts on trees or branches laying on the ground that were dropped or discarded
- If you have western redcedar, look up and make sure that bark hasn't been stripped away; it can be sold to basket makers
- Watch for small stumps where a Christmas tree or two may have been cut
- Note excessive litter, a sign somebody has been spending time on the property

If you see any of these situations, report it to the police immediately so they can help keep an eye on the neighborhood. Also keep in mind that some collectors have legal permits to collect greenery on federal or private industrial land.

If you have an interest in harvesting special forest products in a sustainable way on your land, get in touch with the Oregon Woodland Cooperative ([www.orwoodlandco-op.com](http://www.orwoodlandco-op.com)). You can also call me (503-238-4775 ext. 109) with further questions, particularly if your New Year's resolution is to get out and start working in the woods a bit more.

## "Woodland Management 101" Course Starts Feb. 16

If you have a parcel of forestland, or are intending to buy one someday, then this course is for you. Designed by OSU Extension's Forestry team, this six-session course from February 16th to March 16th, 2011 covers what you need to know, and who you might want to contact to begin taking care of your forest. Sessions will be held from 6:30-8:30 PM at the North Plains Fire Station, 31370 NW Commercial St., except for the Saturday field trip (date TBA), which will be on a local forest property.

The topics to be covered during the course include the following: Forest Ecosystems, Forest Soils, Tree and Shrub Identification, Management Plans, Reforestation, Insects, Disease and Fire Protection, Thinning, Pruning, and Other Activities, Basic Forest Measurements, Fish and Wildlife Habitat, Forest Certification, Invasive Weeds, Taxes and Business Management, Harvesting and Marketing, and Forest Laws.

Primary instructor for this course is Amy Grotta, OSU Extension Forester for Columbia and Washington Counties. To attend you **must pre-register no later than February 9th**. Cost of the course for instruction and materials is \$40 per participant and \$20 for each additional participant from one family. If you provide a legal description of your property, we will provide maps and photos for your property for use in discussing management options. To register or ask questions, contact Amy at the Columbia County Extension Office, (503) 397-3462. □



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## Newberry Rd. Farm Recaps Best Local Vegetable Varieties for 2010

By Chris Siegel and Nolan Calisch, Wealth Underground Farm

As the physical workload decreases here at Wealth Underground Farm, time is available to reflect on the past growing season. Though summer hardly showed its sunny face, we had a successful season and managed to give bags filled with quality produce to our CSA share members on a weekly basis.

Though we will continue to harvest throughout the winter, now is a good time to give a summary of some of our favorite crops. We are including the names of the specific varieties as a resource for Skyline gardeners. These varieties were good for us in our local climate, yielding lots of delicious produce, and will potentially be good for you!



Nolan (left) and Chris harvest early season lettuce at Wealth Underground Farm (Photo: WUF)

**Chioggia.** Out of all of the beet varieties we planted this year, our favorite was Chioggia, beautiful, candy cane-swirled beets that taste like candy. Unfortunately, when you steam them, their pattern disappears. These beets grow well if planted tightly but can grow to be baseball sized if given plenty of space.

**Cucumber.** We planted multiple varieties of cucumbers and the best producer was by far Marketmore. The plants were incredibly healthy and they produced an abundance of traditional, delicious cucumbers.

**Kale.** This was a fantastic year for kale. Every stand of Rainbow Lacinato and Lacinato (aka Dinosaur) kale that we planted yielded large and flavor-rich leaves.

**Onion & Leek.** Other than losing a good deal of our garlic to gophers, we had an excellent allium year. We planted Copra and Red Italian Torpedo onions and both

did quite well. We also planted King Richard and Tadorna leeks, both of which produced thick and tall stems and, excluding the leeks we've given out in the shares, will hold in the ground throughout the winter.

**Potato.** We planted four beds of Yukon Gold potatoes and had an abundant harvest. These potatoes were made into some top quality French fries.

**Turnip.** Hakurei turnips became one of our favorite root vegetables this year. They were one of our earliest crops and produced beautiful, white, tennis ball-sized roots. The texture was creamy and they kind of tasted like melons. The fall planting produced a spicier, smaller turnip but they were still delicious.

**Rutabaga.** Allegedly Frank Zappa's favorite vegetable, rutabagas fit in well here at the Wealth Underground Farm. We planted a fair amount of Marian rutabaga in the middle of the summer and the result was huge harvests of these large roots throughout the fall.

**Squash.** Our summer squash was relatively abundant despite the cool, wet season. The winner in the pack was Giambo, which is a thick, compact, light-green zucchini. One plant could yield 1-2 medium sized fruits per week for at least 8 weeks.

Wealth Underground Farm is a small, organic CSA farm on Newberry Road with an emphasis on growing for families in the Skyline community. We are expanding the farm for this upcoming season and will be offering more shares to local residents. For more information or to see examples of shares from this past season, visit [www.wealthunderground.blogspot.com](http://www.wealthunderground.blogspot.com). You can also contact us by email at: [wealth.underground@gmail.com](mailto:wealth.underground@gmail.com). □

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By Sen Speroff

## Last November's Soup Supper

The Grange organizes a community meal several times a year...home-cooked and delicious. Susan Watt reports on the November Soup Supper: Over 70 people enjoyed the company of friends, neighbors, and strangers. The community spirit was felt in the warm, inviting atmosphere and people lingered well after finishing their fifth bowl of soup! Grange members transformed the spare and Spartan hall into a warm and inviting dining space worthy of our down-home community cooks who donated twelve different soups to sample. And if this wasn't enough there were homemade breads, salads, and desserts to round out the meal. Plan on attending the February Brunch (see below)... guaranteed to satisfy!

## The Grange Woods Revitalization Project

With a grant from West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District, a major volunteer effort is restoring the Grange's woodland and replacing invasive plants with natives. Volunteers have gone home with plenty of wood for their fireplaces. The wood debris will eventually become a great flame for a s'mores party. We welcome you to the monthly work parties.

## Upcoming Activities

Three annual spring events will again occur at the Grange. Proceeds go to the building's Maintenance and Improvement Fund. Donations to the Grange are tax deductible to the extent of the law. You do not have to be a Grange member to participate, volunteer or attend these events. As the dates approach, more details will be announced.

**BRUNCH AT THE GRANGE, Sunday, February 27, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.** Last year's brunch was so successful, we are doing it again. You are invited to enjoy pancakes, waffles, French toast, frittatas, stratas, fresh fruits, breakfast breads and sausage. Bring the family. We cook, you enjoy.

**SPRING GARAGE SALE, Friday-Saturday, March 4-5, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.** The annual spring Garage Sale has a uniquely Skyline flavor with a mixture of practical and zany, plus equipment useful for semi-rural living. To donate to this sale or volunteer to help, contact Sen at 503-621-3331 or Sharon Barthmaier at 503-286-1261. Please no televisions, computers, large exercise equipment, or baby car seats. Books, furniture, garden tools, and quality children's toys are particularly desired. You can drop off donations before March 2. If you are a garage sale enthusiast or want to contribute to your community, consider volunteering to help with this sale.

**ANNUAL TREE & NATIVE PLANT SALE:** Watch for date. Sale will be in April or May. We will have a large quantity of quality bareroot shade, flowering and fruit trees. Also, we will have native plants that can be either pre-ordered or bought day of sale. Details & pre-order form will be posted on SRN website.

## Keep Up to Date on Grange Activities

Keep up to date with happenings at the Grange by visiting [www.srnpxd.org](http://www.srnpxd.org), and then click on Grange on the right. SRN has generously given us a section of its website for Grange news. Check it out. ☐

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# Skyline School News

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## "Mad Hatter Auction" is March 5 at Skyline Elementary

By Sandra Kruger

*"Twinkle, twinkle, little bat! How I wonder what you're at." -- The Mad Hatter, from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*

Support Skyline School and visit with friends at "An Evening in Wonderland: A Mad Hatter's Auction" on Saturday, March 5, 2011, from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Skyline Elementary School. Admission is free and includes raffles and silent and oral auctions. Appetizers are available for \$10 per person. Childcare (reservations required) is available for a fee. Don some Mad Hatter attire and join us in Wonderland!

Last year's auction included a visit from the Voodoo Donuts van, a laser tag outing with middle grades teacher

Mr. Gardes, vacation home rentals, Blazer tickets, and tickets to a taping of the Dr. Phil Show.

This year's auction will have a similar cadre of items to bid on. It can be fun to join in the bidding or at least watch the frenzy as an item is bid up. And the auction is not just for big spenders: many raffle and auction items are priced under \$25. Everyone can go home with something, and know they have supported Skyline School.

The auction is the main fundraiser for the Skyline PTA and Foundation. Money raised goes to support vital school programs and services and to keep class sizes small.

Right now, the auction committee is hard at work getting donation items. If you have a service, skill or item to contribute to the auction, contact Natasha Jones at [natasha@natasha-jones.com](mailto:natasha@natasha-jones.com).

For more information or to view the Skyline School auction catalog, visit [www.skyline-auction.com](http://www.skyline-auction.com). ☐

**Math Tutor.** Skyline resident Linda Lovett tutors students in SAT and ACT test preparation, and in all levels of math from 7th grade math through high school trigonometry/pre-calculus. 503-289-2027; lindalovett@comcast.net

**Movie Salon.** I am starting a monthly movie salon to be held at my house. First meeting will be on Friday, January 28th at 7 pm. Please email me if interested. Space is limited. Email claireleonore@gmail.com

**Volunteer Meal Providers Wanted.** I will be a volunteer meal provider (dinner) for Goose Hollow Family Shelter on January 30th and am looking for a few people to work with me that evening. It involves providing a warm meal for 24 men, women and children. Contact claireleonore@gmail.com

**Preschool Open House** and Parent Information Night on February 15 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Wildwood Nature School invites parents to learn more about the program and how to enroll their children for the 2011-2012 school year. See [www.wildwoodnatureschool.com](http://www.wildwoodnatureschool.com) for more information.

**House Cleaner Wanted.** Two, possibly three households would like some to clean their house. Just basics, vacuum, dust, mop floors and clean bathrooms. Can use your products or ours. Please call 503 621-3653 if interested.

## ➤ **Solarize Northwest** (continued from p. 1)

by 90 percent from the market rate.

This project also connects residents to energy efficiency resources. Homeowners may participate in the solar option, the weatherization option or both.

If you have been thinking of installing a solar electric system but aren't sure whom to hire, what to buy, where to start or how to get the best price, contact Solarize Northwest at 503-823-4265 or [info@solarizenorth-nw.org](mailto:info@solarizenorth-nw.org). Originally created by SE Uplift and a neighborhood leader in the Mt. Tabor Neighborhood Association, the first iteration of the Solarize Portland project quickly expanded to a partnership between several SE Portland neighborhoods

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**Donate your vehicle,** running or not, to MIKE Program commemorating longtime SRN resident, Michael Hartnett. Detailed instructions at [www.mikeprogram.org/vehicle\\_donation](http://www.mikeprogram.org/vehicle_donation) to support health and mentoring enrichment for teens.

and the SE Uplift Neighborhood Sustainability Program. The interest and excitement generated sparked three completed programs around the city generating over a megawatt of electricity from the sun. Solarize North Portland and Solarize Northwest Portland are the newest Solarize communities.

Solarize Northwest is a project of Neighbors West-Northwest in collaboration with the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, Energy Trust of Oregon, Clean Energy Works Portland, and Solar Oregon.

Join Skyline and Forest Park neighbors to learn more about Solarize programs on Tuesday, January 25, 7 p.m., at Brooks Hill Historic Church, 11539 NW Skyline Blvd. ☐

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## Community Calendar

**January 13, 7:00 PM:** SRN Board of Directors regular monthly meeting at Brooks Hill Historic Church, 11539 NW Skyline Blvd.

**January 22, 10:00 AM – Noon:** Native Plants for Erosion Control workshop at Bosky Dell Natives nursery in West Linn. Register by clicking "Events" at [www.wmswcd.org](http://www.wmswcd.org) or by calling 503-238-4775.

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**February 16, 7:00 PM:** Public meeting at the Skyline Grange on seeking solutions to our road safety issues. See story p. 1.

**February 16, 6:30 – 8:30 PM:** Woodland Management 101 course begins. For more info, see story on p. 4. Must pre-register by Feb. 9.

**February 27, 9:30 – 11:30 AM:** Brunch at the Grange. Come for breakfast. Bring the family. We cook, you enjoy.

**March 4-5, 9 AM – 5:00 PM:** Spring Garage Sale at the Skyline Grange. To donate to this sale or volunteer to help, contact Sen at 503-621-3331 or Sharon Barthmaier at 503-286-1261.

**March 5, 5:30 – 9:30 PM:** "Mad Hatter" Auction to benefit Skyline Elementary School. To donate items, contact Natasha Jones, [natasha@natasha-jones.com](mailto:natasha@natasha-jones.com). For more info, visit [www.skyline-auction.com](http://www.skyline-auction.com).

**March 10, 7:00 PM:** SRN Board of Directors regular monthly meeting at Brooks Hill Historic Church, 11539 NW Skyline Blvd.

## Volunteer to Help SRN Serve Our Neighborhood

If you have lived in the Skyline Ridge area for some time, you probably feel a sense of pride about this special place we call home. The SRN Board shares that sense of pride and strives to keep everyone informed about and involved in the life of our community. If you can lend some time from your busy schedule to volunteer, SRN welcomes you to join the group that guides SRN for the benefit of the entire neighborhood.

No special experience or skills are required to serve on the Board. We just ask your commitment to attend our once-a-month meetings (approx. 1-2 hours) and a willingness to give some volunteer time to one of our activities (e.g. the SOLV clean-up, Summer Gathering, Ridge Runner, website, etc.), according to your schedule and interests. Elections of new Board members to serve two-year terms will be held this Spring. If you have questions about the

Board, please contact the current President, Miles Merwin, at 503-621-9867 or [president@srnpdx.org](mailto:president@srnpdx.org). In the meantime, anyone interested in the Board is strongly encouraged to attend one of our regular monthly meetings this winter: see the Calendar page for dates. ☐



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