



**Skyline Ridge
Neighbors
Summer Gathering
& Auction**

**Saturday, July 27, 2002
2-7 p.m.
at
Shadysprings Farm
16340 NW Rock Creek Rd.**

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A Neighborhood Association Serving Unincorporated Multnomah County Northwest of Portland.

From the President

The Summer Gathering:

The first Gathering started in 1992 with a small silent auction under some trees, blankets to sit on, sack races on a slope, and live music from local musicians. During those 11 years since the first Gathering, we have seen many changes. Those original kids are now young adults, some now with children of their own. Many of the true "old timers" have passed away, those full of stories and history. Large trees have been logged and seedlings planted, new houses built. Land use laws and traffic have become more complex. And our lives seem more complex. We hope the Summer Gathering will provide you with a little flavor of the past and an afternoon to slow down, to laugh, and to chat with old acquaintances and to meet new neighbors. Ah, and we are looking forward to your delicious potluck dishes.

SRN Accomplishments '01-'02:

In addition to being a social event, the Summer Gathering is Skyline Ridge Neighbors's major fundraiser of the year. You may be asking, "Why should I support SRN? What does it do for me? Would my donation be used wisely?" I would like to respond to these questions by summarizing the activities SRN has offered to its community over the '01-'02 fiscal year. "Noxious and Obnoxious Plants and Animals" was the theme many of its activities centered around this year. The Board enjoyed exploring all the possibilities of this rich theme. The realm of noxious and obnoxious is vast, but the Board limited itself to only a few topics.

Three educational presentations were organized and presented at SRN General Meetings. If people could not attend these presentations, they still can benefit by requesting and receiving audio tapes of the meetings and written handouts. (If you would like to borrow a tape or receive handouts, contact Miles Merwin at secretary@skylineridgeneighbors.org or call him at 503-697-3370). In October, Chip Bubl, Columbia County OSU Extension agent, presented "Living in the Land of Moles and Gophers." In February, Kurt Spingath, sales consultant for

Wilbur- Ellis, spoke on "Herbicides: Using Them Safely, Wisely and Effectively." In May, Larry Dziomba, postal inspector for the U.S. Postal Service, gave a sobering talk on "Identity Theft: The Reason Behind Mail Theft."

In November, SRN arranged carpooling to a No Ivy League Work Party for those residents interested in the control of English ivy. Three residents carpooled, joined a work party and learned first hand about English ivy and how to remove it. After three hours of pulling, English ivy didn't look so attractive any more and hopefully the participants went home and are tackling the English ivy problem on their own properties.

This issue of the *Skyline Ridge Runner* will be the fourth published during this fiscal year, with the other issues mailed in October, January and April. SRN strives to provide relevant, objective information without bias. As a service to the community, each household within the SRN boundaries may submit a free classified in each issue (1/8 page ads have a fee). The *Ridge Runner* also provides a means by which residents can communicate their opinions and concerns by writing a "Letter to the Editor" or by writing an "In My Opinion" article. Likewise, organizations and governmental agencies have come to rely on the *Ridge Runner* as a means to get information out to our community. The *Ridge Runner* is bulk mailed to three rural routes in the 97231 zip, to friends and old residents of SRN, and to selected organizations and governmental agencies. In total about 1400-1500 *Ridge Runners* are produced for each issue. The www.skylineridgeneighbor.org website has current information on the area and an excellent link site.

SRN strives to get timely information out to the community through its weekly Skyline Rural Watch Newline reports. Each week crimes, land use decisions, upcoming meetings, results of meetings, and community news items are communicated. These reports are sent to about 300 email addresses, copies can be obtained at the Plainview Grocery Store and people can phone the Newline to hear a shorter version of the reports. The purpose of the Newline is to distribute timely, accurate information to the residents of our A

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mid-week emergency report is sent out when there is a request for an urgent message to be conveyed.

SRN has not given a monetary donation to another group during this year. In the past, SRN has given \$1000 to the Skyline School PTA for its Playground Fund and \$1000 to the Skyline Grange for its insulation installation project. Though SRN has not directly donated to a local group, it does inform the community of fundraisers and needs of other community organizations through articles in the *Ridge Runner* and on the Newslines.

In December/January, membership will vote on a 2003 budget. (See the January 2002 *Ridge Runner* about the 2002 budget itemization.) If you have thoughts about how SRN budgets or proposals for new SRN activities, the Board would like to hear from you. Talk to us at the Gathering or call or email us, our contact numbers are listed on page 7 of this newsletter.

Election of Officers:

At the May meeting, SRN elections were held. Miles Merwin was elected secretary for a term of two years and Catherine Dalziel was elected vice president for a term of two years. Congratulations. The Board gives a hearty thank you to Susan Ahern who diligently filled the role of secretary for the last 3 years and to Don Roach who served as vice president and without him the Washington County segments of Rock Creek Road would have continued to disintegrate beyond drivability.

Property Lines: Topic for Fall SRN Meeting:

The Board has decided that Property Lines will be the topic at the fall SRN General Meeting. Surveys, the need to know one's lines accurately, and laws regulating lines will be presented. Disputes over property lines have certainly been the cause of ill feelings and legal battles among neighbors over the years. Do you know your lines?

We hope to see you at the Summer Gathering!

Karin Hunt, SRN President

Treasurer's Report: 2nd Quarter

The old bank account is falling faster than shares of Martha Stewart stock! That's why we're all pumped up for the upcoming Summer Gathering and Auction. Have something really neat you can donate? We'll be greatly appreciative.

Speaking of donations, we send our thanks to Mike and Marilyn Oliver, and to Jane and Gary Davis. These, and any future gifts, will go directly to support this newsletter and other SRN activities.

SRN has about \$5,000 in the bank accounts at this writing, with \$2000 of it earmarked for rainy-day funding. Summer Gathering expenses of \$1000, along with the \$800 cost of this newsletter and plans for an additional newsletter issue this year will take a pretty good bite out of that amount. Every dollar will help and every dollar SRN spends frugally! We need to top last summer's auction results by about \$800.

Hopefully Donald Jenkins, our silver-tongued auctioneer, will create an atmosphere of frenzied bidding and flying clouds of cash! (Maybe I'm getting a little carried away here.) Anyway, come join us at the Gathering on the 27 of July, and bring your checkbook! If you can't attend, and would like to make a donation to help support this newsletter and other SRN activities, please make out a check to "SRN" and mail to 21000 NW Logie Trail Road, Portland, OR 97231.

Respectfully submitted, Patrick Ahern

From the New Board Members

As a long time Portland resident I first became aware of the beauty of the Skyline area in the 70's when I would ride my bicycle along the crest. I moved to Helvetia in the 80's and finally settled along Cornelius Pass in the 90's. I am impressed by the strong sense of identity in our Skyline neighborhood. I look forward to serving as Vice President of our Neighborhood Association and I am thankful for the opportunity to live in and hope to contribute to this unique and beautiful community. I have worked in Portland as a graphics professional for the last sixteen years.

Catherine Dalziel

Newly elected Vice President

I am pleased to have the opportunity to serve as Secretary of our association. It will be a great way for my family and me to meet new neighbors and learn about the community. We are eagerly anticipating moving to our new home (currently under construction) at our Christmas tree farm. My work involves not only Christmas trees, but also communications and fund-raising for several nonprofit organizations related to forestry and agriculture. My wife Libby is an artist who specializes in print-making and painting. Our son is an engineering student and will be a senior this fall.

Miles Merwin

Newly elected SRN Secretary

Thank you, Mary Hengen, for proof-reading this Newsletter!

Can't Attend the Gathering?

No Auction Items To Donate?

But Want To Support SRN?

No problem!

Monetary donations can be mailed to:

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c/o Patrick Ahern

21000 NW Logie Trail Rd

Portland, OR 97231

FLORA & FAUNA:

Bluebirds 2002

Mrs. Bowie's first grade class at Skyline Elementary School took a field trip the final week of class this spring. The class together read R. Bruce Horsfall's beautifully illustrated book, *Bluebirds Seven* based on activity of bluebirds in the Portland area in the early 20th century. Then they were invited to peek into a special world at the five eggs of a pair of Western Bluebirds in a box at the edge of the playground. This is the first time a pair of bluebirds has used this box which is one of many in the neighborhood that are monitored by three different volunteers to promote the reestablishment of the Western Bluebird as a common songbird.

Tacy Kessinger lives with her family and bluebirds at The Plumper Pumpkin Patch on Old Cornelius Pass Road. She knows the difference between the dainty Western Bluebird and the more common, larger, noisier Scrub Jay that most people picture as bluebirds. So much so in fact that her fifth grade Science Fair project about Western Bluebirds was one of three featured in the trophy case after at Skyline School.

For the past few years, a pair of bluebirds has raised young at the Kessinger farm. This year a second pair of Western Bluebirds nested in one of the boxes at the far end of the Kessinger's farm. Unfortunately parenthood was too trying for this pair, and the hatchlings were distressed by cold weather. One of the little ones was successfully rescued. After a couple of nights spent on a heating pad taking mealworms offered on the end of a tweezer, the chick unceremoniously was put through the opening of the nest box at the school. Two days later, he was indistinguishable from his five adoptive sibs and all six chicks were doing well.

If you would like to participate as a monitor, call Cheryl Neal, (503) 629-5848. There is an easy route that would take about one to one and one-half hour per week to attend, including paperwork. Come to the Summer Gathering for more information about the Prescott Bluebird Recovery Project and visit www.prescottbluebird.com.

Dead Bluebirds Wanted for Research

If you find a dead adult bluebird, the Prescott Bluebird Recovery Project would like it examined. They will pick up the bird, perform a necropsy, take tissue samples and collect morphological and plumage data to investigate why they recovered twice as many dead breeding adults in 2001 than in the previous year. Place the dead bird in a clean Ziploc bag, and refrigerate it. Do not place it in the freezer. Label the bag with the following information: your name, location where bird was found, associated nest box if known, breeding status if known and date found. To have the bird picked up, call Amber Keyser at 503-293-329 or 503-860-7567.

English Ivy on Quarantine List

Last year English Ivy (*Hedera helix*) was listed as a noxious weed in the state of Oregon. Now its classification has become even more serious. It has been added to the Quarantined Noxious Weed List, as of January 2002, after a public hearing by the Oregon Department of

Agriculture. The quarantine prohibits the entry of English ivy into Oregon, prohibits its transport, purchase, sale or offering for sale and prohibits its propagation in Oregon. The quarantine does not include the named horticultural varieties of *Hedera helix* or other *Hedera* species since there is debate regarding the extent to which they are invasive. For a full list of Noxious Weed listed in Oregon, go to the Dept of Agriculture's website at http://www.oda.state.or.us/Plant/Weed_control/NoxWeedQuar.html

Tent Caterpillars Everywhere!

What are they good for? Well, to us (humans) they are just a horror movie in the making; defoliating our landscaping, dropping onto our barbecues and into our wading pools – writhing masses of orange and black ICK. The *Malacosoma Californicum Phiviate* or Western Tent Caterpillar is having a darn good year, a so called periodic outbreak. They have returned and are not a pretty sight, constructing their signature tent-like cocoons in hapless hosts – deciduous trees such as alder, ash, cottonwood, apple, birch, fruit and willow. Heavy infestation can even find them in our roses.

What we began to notice a month ago with the emergence of tents actually started around a year ago – last summer. Two light brown, stout looking moths had a fling. The relieved mother-to-be then laid somewhere between 100 to 300+ eggs in a froth-covered band around a small twig or branch. About three weeks later her eggs matured but patiently waited throughout the fall ... patiently ... throughout the winter ... to finally hatch this spring – and all without us suspecting a thing. They hatched just as the delectable tender spring growth emerged on the trees. The larvae grew over a six week period, molting and maturing into caterpillars. But that wasn't good enough - it's now time to turn into a moth. So that horror film is no longer just playing in a theater near you, it's now playing in your back yard. Spinning cocoons commence and migrant encampments spring up everywhere; starting discretely on the tips of trees, but soon expanding to engulf and denude whole branches. It is now mid June and we are fully aware of the *Malacosoma Californicum Phiviate*. Approximately ten days after completion light, stout looking moths will emerge from the cocoons – remember them? ya, that little couple from last year...!

Okay, back to the question "What are they good for?" Well to us (humans), still not much, but to other creatures it's a year to celebrate. Little mammals eat the pupae and bats and birds will consume the moths. Unfortunately everyone's a bit squeamish about the caterpillar – though some birds will take a stab. As for the hapless hosts, the trees, it's not so good. Caterpillars can defoliate whole trees. If the tree is healthy it may survive, but become weakened to future disease, drought and freezing. Mature trees can usually survive a single year's infestation but subsequent years of pestilence can lead to death.

But for all their good fortune, the *Malacosoma Californicum Phiviate* does experience some nasty setbacks, one in the form of the tachimid fly. Read on if you dare. This little fly lays its eggs on the caterpillar and when the egg hatches, things get pretty ugly. The maggot produced from that egg burrows into the caterpillar and is very hungry. Just use your imagination...!

Well it's not all bad news, but mostly – so ready for a bit more? It can take several years for the balance of nature to get these caterpillar populations in hand again. What can you do about them – that's another story altogether. For more information, log onto <http://gardening.wsu.edu/text/insects.htm>.
By Catherine Dalziel

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Forest Park News

Walk for the Wildwood:

Proceeds of this fundraiser go to trail repair and maintenance in Forest Park. The third annual Nike ACG Walk for the Wildwood will be on Sunday, July 21, starting at 8 a.m. Choose from a 4-mile walk or a 20-mile walk along the Wildwood Trail on Sunday, July 21, starting at 8 a.m. 4-milers meet at the World Forestry Center. 2-milers meet at Upper Macleay Park on Cornell Rd to take the shuttle to Germantown Road to start the walk back to Macleay Park. Registration forms can be downloaded from www.FriendsofForestPark.org. Cost for 4-milers is \$15 if pre-registered by July 17 and \$20 after July 17. Participants will receive a t-shirt and pin and will enjoy a beautiful walk. The registration fee for the 20-mile option is \$30 and participants must pre-register by July 8. If you would like to volunteer, send an email to info@friendsofforestpark.org by July 7.

Trail Maps on the Web:

Friends of Forest Park has developed a website at www.FriendsofForestPark.org. You can download trail maps, read about the Park and learn more about Friends.

Trail Maintenance Work Parties:

Enjoy a Saturday morning by joining a trail maintenance and repair work party or by joining an ivy removal work party. These occur every Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon, except holiday weekends. Meet at the Lower Macleay Fieldhouse, NW Upshur and NW 29th Ave. Bring water, work gloves and sturdy footwear and dress for the weather. Also there are work party opportunities Tuesdays through Fridays, call Sandy to schedule at 503-823-3681.

Linnton News

The Linnton Median Project is expected to begin in mid-July. All work except planting is expected to be complete by August 31, with the planting complete by October 31. The contractor for this project will be All Concrete Specialties for the bid amount of \$376,491.

At its last meeting, the Linnton Community Center Board voted to go forward and start planning new programs at LCC under its 1962 agreement with the Oregon Idaho Conference of the Methodist Church. Since the building has sat vacant for the past year, the Board is looking for volunteers, i.e., good workers, carpenters, electricians, landscapers and plumbers, willing to help sparkle up the building and do some refurbishing. If you are willing to help or have thoughts about how LCC would best meet the needs of the community, call Ivan McLean at 503-978-0897.

Portland Lavender Festival July 13th, 10am-4pm

"A Day in Provence" features two local lavender farms on Saturday, July 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lilla Lavender Farm and Bishop House Lavender will feature u-pick lavender, wand- and wreath-making demonstrations, as well as lavender products and plants for sale. All proceeds from the commemorative canvas tote bag and refreshments benefit the Theodore Roosevelt High School

Women's Scholarship Fund. Pick lavender to your heart's content Saturday, July 13 from 10 am to 4 pm. Admission is free. Lilla Farm is located at 17006 NW Pauly Rd (off of McNamee Rd). Bishop House Lavender is at 11263 NW Helvetia Rd. To get directions, visit our website at www.lillalavender.com or call 503-647-0528 or 503-645-7412.

People News

"It's a Boy!" sign was been spotted on the lawn of **Jim and Pat Barnard** on Skyline. Well, it is a boy, a boy with 4 legs, a mane and a tail.

Obituary

Dr. Dick Houghton Passed Away: at the age of 82 on Saturday, May 18, 2002. Dr. Houghton was a long time resident of Rock Creek Road where he raised sheep and enjoyed a great variety of interests. He is survived by his wife Polly, 4 sons, and 11 grandchildren. He was a board certified anesthesiologist practicing in Oregon at St Vincent Hospital, OHSU, and at Tuality Hospital in Forest Grove and retired in 1985.

SKYLINE SCHOOL NEWS:

From the Principal

Dear Skyline Families,

Today I learned that I will be transferred and assume the principalship at Mary Rieke Elementary for the new academic year. I met with the Skyline staff after school today to let them know of this change.

Certainly this was a very difficult decision for me. I will always treasure my time here at Skyline, and carry thoughts of these wonderful children and all I've learned from them forever. In the past three years a strong partnership of staff, parents and students has set high goals and worked together towards their achievement. I can't thank you enough for your support and warm encouragement. You will be missed more than I can say.

As you know, Lynne George is the Director of Student Achievement for the Lincoln Cluster Schools and Skyline. She now leads us to focus our energies and unify our efforts to find a new leader. She will be meeting with the staff to draft a list of qualities and skills required for the next Skyline principal. She is offering the same opportunity to give input at a meeting with interested Skyline families on Thursday, June 13, 2002 at 3:00 in the school library.

I will forever be grateful for my Skyline "journey." Every student and family has made a lasting impression. You have entrusted me with the earliest years of your child's education, and it is a trust I have not taken lightly. It has been a great honor to be of service and a member of the Skyline family.

Thank you so very much again for these treasured years. I will continue to work in collaboration to ensure a smooth transition.

Heartfelt Regards,
Charlene Russell
07 June 2002

Note: Name of new principal will probably be announced in mid July.

SKYLINE GRANGE NEWS:

Plant Sale Fosters New Vision

The community came and bought plants and trees at the Grange Native Plant Sale. In fact you bought so many that Grange members had to get more, in a hurry! The \$2400 profit now provides the inspiration and the seed money for "Bright, Clean, Safe and Fun!" – A campaign to fulfill the Grange's dream to enter another phase of building improvement and to create a facility welcoming to our community. Over the past 5 years much has been accomplished – interior and exterior painting, insulation, new doors, and many repairs, thanks to a small number of dedicated people. Now more people are invested in the Grange and its building as a community resource. With more people comes increased ideas, sharing of the workload and excitement.

Now it is time to push the energy and dreams further. Picture a place that is an inviting meeting facility with up-to-date presentation equipment, a functioning kitchen and pleasant bathrooms. Now envision what more you would like, such as a place with a horticultural library or with a reference library about local history or with a computer lab or a place to celebrate your child's wedding? The Grange would like to hear your ideas. Call Mary Ann Linn at 503-286-7946 or attend a Grange meeting to share your ideas.

A draft Improvement Plan has been accepted with modernizing the bathrooms and stairwells as the first priorities. "Bright, Clean, Safe & Fun!" is the vision and donations from the community will make it a reality. The Grange needs labor, money and in-kind donations of materials. Visit www.skylinegrange.org to sign up and to see what is needed, or call Mary Ann Linn at 503-286-7946. Monetary donations (tax deductible) can be mailed to "Skyline Grange", c/o 14815 NW McNamee Rd, Portland, OR 97231.

www.skylinegrange.org

Skyline Grange now has a website up and running. Visit it and learn about our local Grange and its activities. Joining the Grange can be done online.

LOCAL HISTORY:

Dancing on Skyline

Growing up on "Skyline", I'd often hear my dad telling stories about the great times "the boys" had on Saturday nights at the local dances. Grange halls, schools, and barns were all potential sites. Within walking and riding distance for the locals were Mason Hill,

Dixie Mountain, Munson Hill, Brooks Hill and Helvetia.† Families with younger children also attended, laying a blanket in the corner for the young ones to sleep.

One of Dad's stories described a rainy, winter evening ride to the Folkenberg School on Cornelius Pass Road. As they neared the railroad tunnel, the mud on the road was up to the horse's girth. In a few more minutes, both horse and rider were sliding into the canyon. Checking his horse, Babe, for broken bones, he managed to lead her over fallen trees and rocks back to the road. When I commented that he must have been grateful that they both had survived the fall but disappointed to miss the dance, he said, "Oh, no I just went on to the dance, mud and all!"

Just after WWII, some new neighbors, Ben and Babe Olson, moved to the farm next to us (the barn is adjacent to the entrance of the Skyline Ridge development). We were happy that there were also two children, Ron and Karen, who were the same age as my sister Karen and I. Being new to Skyline and rural life, the Olsons decided to create a livelihood from the big barn on the property. Ben and his uncle, Alex Linden (owner of Plainview Grocery), used their carpentry skills to alter the interior from horse and cow stalls and hayloft into a shining hardwood dance floor complete with band and refreshment stand. The Skyline Barn Dance was the newest addition to Skyline's dance halls.

Every Saturday night, patrons traveled from St Helens, Scappoose, Vancouver and Hillsboro as well as many locals from the hill to dance to a Western "swing" band. More than just western music brought dancers to the Barn Dance. A good portion of the evening included polkas, schottisches, and an occasional "Paul Jones", a circle dance.

When the dancers got hungry, Babe's famous ham sandwiches sold quickly. These were homemade from Swedish rye bread recipe of Ben's mother. And dancers get thirsty. Without a liquor license, people made frequent trips to their cars for liquid refreshments. When bottles started flying in the parking lot, Ben soon became the designated "bouncer" with regular backup from the Multnomah County Sheriffs. Due in large part to Babe's sandwiches, the green sheriff's car usually arrived before the dancers.

As a child, I remember listening to the music from our house on Saturday night. Sometimes we would spend the night at the Olson's and come to the dance for an hour (before intermission!). It was fun to dance the polka and round dances as well as eat a sandwich. In the morning we would help polish the dance floor by sliding on towels with dance wax. We didn't mind helping to clear the parking lot of bottles as we might even find a dollar bill that someone dropped.

The Barn Dance continued until the early 1960's. Many of my parent's generation remember New Years Eve at the Barn Dance. Many of my generation remember leaving our high school dances (unknown to our parents) to come to the Barn Dance. My mother was invited and worked for about a month as a cashier there, until Dad decided that was not where she should be on Saturday night.

Now the barn has deteriorated and will probably be gutted, either by the next windstorm or a new owner. Many of the magnificent barns of the turn of the century are gone. But many of us who grew up on Skyline still have memories of good neighbors, swing bands, polkas, and ham sandwiches.

By Pat Krueger Brady

Note: The barn that housed the Skyline Barn Dance is still standing at 12845 NW Skyline and if you look closely you can still read "Skyline Barn Dance" on the barn.

Walking and Biking on the St Johns Bridge

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is planning a number of bicycle and pedestrian improvements as part of the upcoming project to renovate the St. Johns Bridge. These include construction of sidewalks with railings on the river sides of both Bridge Avenue approach ramps at the west end of the bridge. Crosswalks with pedestrian-activated signals will be installed at the west end of the bridge and across Bridge Avenue at the top of the southern ramp. These changes are supported in the City of Portland Pedestrian Master Plan, adopted in June 1998, and the Willamette River Bridges Accessibility Project (WRBAP), Multnomah County, August 1994. In addition, the area of sidewalk around the bridge towers will be widened by nearly seven feet to make it easier for bicyclists to negotiate the necessary turns.

The St. Johns Bridge is a protected City of Portland Historic Landmark and is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. As part of the lighting upgrade on this project, ODOT plans to remove the cobra-head light poles from the sidewalk and restore historic-style light posts to their original locations on the bridge railings. This will result in additional clear space on the sidewalks for both pedestrians and bicyclists. ODOT has been asked by Metro and the City of Portland to consider changing the lane configurations on the St. Johns Bridge to better accommodate bicycles and pedestrians using the bridge. ODOT previously evaluated and rejected two proposals for restriping the bridge to a two or three-lane configuration. Additionally, a similar option was evaluated as part of the WRBAP and rejected because it would reduce the level of service on the bridge to failure or near failure, severely affecting the movement of goods. ODOT has formed a short-term advisory committee representing a broad cross-section of bridge users to look into whether there is a feasible alternative for restriping the bridge.

If a feasible alternative is identified, there will be extensive public involvement in any decision to change the functionality of the bridge. Check ODOT's St. Johns Bridge Web site for updates on this issue at www.odot.state.or.us/region1

CLASSIFIEDS:

Skyline Soccer Camps: July 8-12, 9 a.m. to noon, for boys and girls ages 6-8 (\$95). For information, call Mark Pengilly at 503-286-5000 or email mpengilly@aol.com.

Meals on Wheels needs volunteers to deliver hot noontime meals to homebound people living in the Skyline/Germantown, Sauvie Island and Linnton areas. Time commitment is about 1 1/2 hours once a week. Volunteers pick up the meals in St Johns. Drivers need reliable transportation and a commitment for at least several months. For information, call Nancy Hamer at (503)286-2514.

Road & Mountain Bicycle Tune-Up & Repairs: Cleaning, adjustment, lube, suspension fork service, wheel truing, flats fixed, upgrades for all components installed at competitive prices. Call Jesse Tane, high school student from Newberry Rd, at (503)286-6339.

Quality Screen Printing: Sweatshirts & t-shirts. For your club or organization. Fiber Works, a Skyline business. Call 503-614-9064.

31-Foot Air Stream Trailer seeks low impact parking space. Comes with 1 tenant. No pets. Needs electric; septic not necessary. Can pay rent and/or work trade. Quiet & employed. References. Call Natalie 503-259-6003 (vm).

Portland Lavender Festival: July 13, 10 am-4 pm. Lilla Lavender Farm & Bishop House Lavender will feature u-pick lavender, demonstrations, more. For directions visit www.lillalavender.com or call 503-647-0528 or 503-645-7412.

Skyline Daycare: On Johnson Rd. Licensed/certified. Arts & craft. Member of USDA Food Program. Safe, fun & friendly. \$2.50/hr full-time; \$3/hr part-time. Call Shannon at 503-621-1441.

Farm Produce: Flower & vegetable plants, honey & straw. At Plumper Pumpkin, a family owned farm, 11435 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd, Call 503-645-9561.

Composting Manure & Wood Shavings: Sign up for fall deliveries. \$25 for 11 yard dump truck load delivered within 6 miles of farm. 503-621-6932



Adults participating in the sack race at last years Summer Gathering. Join the fun on July 27th. Games include sack races, tug-of-war, horseback rides, and frog race.

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Use your imagination! Create & donate a scarecrow to be auctioned off in the oral auction. For more information about donating or for ideas about making a scarecrow, contact Pat Brady at 503-645-1535 or pbradyonskyline@aol.com.

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Please submit comments, stories, and articles for consideration by emailing to ridgerunner@skylineridgeneighbors.org or mailing to 16340 NW Rock Creek Rd, Portland, OR 97231 or by faxing to 503-621-1134. Please keep SRN informed of any changes in mailing addresses. The *Skyline Ridge Runner* is published three to four times per year.

Skyline Rural Watch Newslines:

Please submit information about local crimes, events, and news for consideration, by faxing 503-621-1272, by emailing to newsline@skylineridgeneighbors.org, or by leaving a message at 503-621-1203. To receive the longer, weekly Email version of the Newslines, contact skylineruralwatchnewsline@hotmail.com or pick one up at Plainview Grocery. To hear the shorter phone version, call 503-621-1203.

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CALENDAR:

Skyline Ridge Neighbors Summer Gathering:
Saturday, July 27, 2-7 p.m. at Shadysprings Farm,
16340 NW Rock Creek Rd.

Skyline Volunteer Firefighters, Every Monday
7:00 p.m. Station 63, 11646 NW Skyline Blvd.
Regular drills and business meetings. For
information about volunteering, call Captain Kevin
Ferguson at 503-649-8577.

Skyline Grange meets 3rd Tuesday of each month,
7:30 p.m. For information, call Mary Ann Linn at
503-286-7946.

Backyard Burning: No backyard burning until the
fall season which begins on October 1. (Agricultural
burning season is still on.)

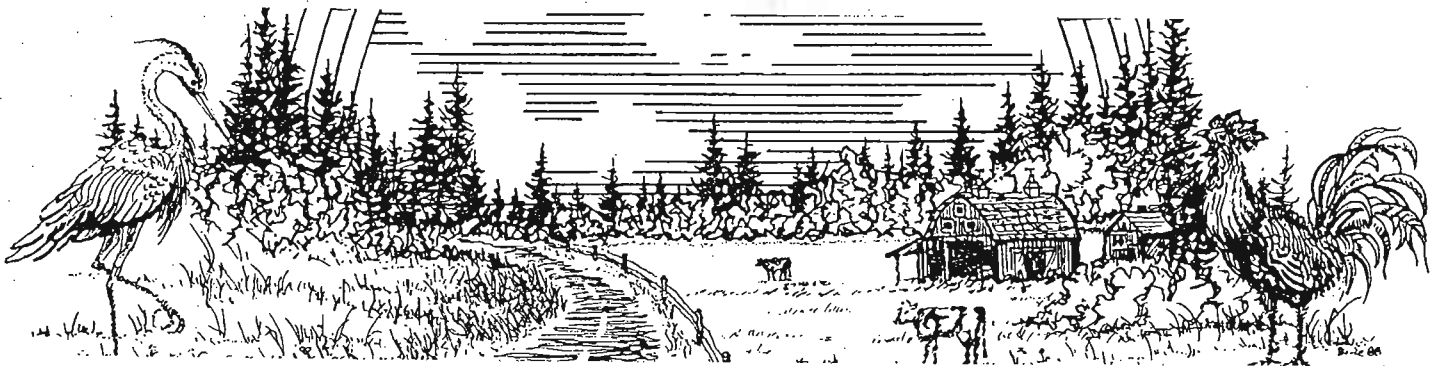
Portland Lavender Festival: Saturday, July 13,
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lilla Farm & Bishop House
Lavender.

About Skyline Ridge Neighbors, Inc.

SRN is a neighborhood association serving much of northwest unincorporated Multnomah County. 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)(4) non-profit organization under the IRS Code. SRN distributes the *Skyline Ridge Runner* & the Newsline Report to residents of the SRN area and adjacent areas and to interested parties.

Purposes of SRN are :

- to enhance the livability of the area by establishing & maintaining an open line of communication and acting as a liaison between the neighborhood, government agencies and other neighborhoods,
- to provide an open process by which all members of the community may involve themselves in the affairs of the area and
- to be organized exclusively for educational, scientific, and charitable purposes.



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