

Skyline Rural Watch Newsline



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Summer Gathering

The 27th Annual Summer Gathering is all done but some final paperwork and tucking away supplies for another year.

Preliminary accounting shows a gross of over \$5000! Our goal, as this is what it cost to run our Skyline Ridge Neighbors 501c3 organization for a year. The turnout was great, the music toe tapping, there were painted faces on young and old, kids playing and neighbors bidding, chatting, connecting. All in all, a success. There are so many to thank and we'll get to that in our next Ridge Runner but I do need to single out two. This would not be possible without the [Plumper Pumpkin Patch and Tree Farm](#)'s generously hosting this event for us again. Also, once again, [The Meating Place](#)'s contribution to the potluck of pulled pork, slaw and buns are a major contribution to making this a wonderful event.

Do you have some photos you'd like to share? Please email to ridgerunner@srnpdx.org.

Thank you all, for making this neighbor such a wonderful place to live!

Laurel Erhardt

President, Skyline Ridge Neighbors

p.s. - last report, The Plumper Pumpkin Patch and Tree Farm is

still missing a cow. Let them or us know if you see it.



Kids Place at Skyline School Open House

Kidsplace is a state certified after school program that operates daily out of the Skyline School Cafeteria. We are open in the morning from 7:00 am until school begins and after school releases until 6:00 pm. We are having an Open House in the Skyline Cafeteria on Thursday, August 23rd from 5:30 until 6:30 right after the Principals Pizza Meet and Great. If you are already signed up come on down and fill out those little notes before the first day of school and say hello! If you are interested in learning about the program and registering come visit us and see the space and we can answer your questions. Garrett and I are getting excited for the new school year. We would love to see you and hear about your summer adventures.

We would love for you to just stop in and say hello!

Forest Park Neighborhood Neighbors Email:

Carol Chesarek President of Forest Park Neighborhood Assoc., had many good bits of information in it.

Dear Forest Park Neighborhood,

I wanted to make sure folks know that Kaiser Road will be closed a couple of upcoming weekends.

Dates for one closure have been announced:

Kaiser Road, between Springville and Germantown roads, for culvert replacements, Aug. 24-26.

NW 185th is probably the best alternative/detour for most folks.

Kaiser will be closed one other weekend for a different culvert replacement between Springville and NW 143rd. Dates for the second closure have not been announced, but will be available on the Wash Co web site <https://www.wc-roads.com/>. I will let you know if I find out when that closure will be.

Multnomah County is still planning to close Germantown Road to repair the slide between Kaiser and Skyline. Their best guess is that closure will be 10 days in October, dates are not firm yet.

A friendly reminder to be careful not to start wildfires. Most wildfires are accidentally started by humans. This New York Times article mentions a many ways humans have accidentally started wildfires, including simply using a hammer. <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/08/20/us/california-wildfires-human-causes-arson.html>

Portland Parks & Recreation will be conducting invasive species treatments in the Balch Creek watershed next month as part of the ongoing implementation of the Restore Forest Park initiative. The initiative includes our long-term commitment to control invasive species in Forest Park, focusing on several ecologically damaging weed species, like ivy, blackberry, clematis and holly. Upcoming work will take place from Sept 4 to Sept 21, and will take place in the forested areas from Upper Macleay Trail to Dogwood Trail. Methods will include selective spot treatment of ivy with backpack sprayers, and hand pulling along trails. The contractors hired for this work are state licensed herbicide applicators with expertise in habitat restoration of sensitive natural areas like Forest Park. Portland Parks & Recreation staff will also be on site during the herbicide application to direct the work. All work will take place Monday – through Friday. No weekend work is planned. There will be no trail closures for this work. Marshall Johnson, our Natural Resource Ecologist for Forest Park, will be happy to answer any questions you have about this work.

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srnpdx.org - Find It: <http://srn.freeforums.net/http://srn.freeforums.net/>

EVENTS:

srnpdx.org - Calendar: <http://www.srnpdx.org/calendar1.html>

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COMMUNITY LINKS:

Skyline Grange: <http://www.srnpdx.org/skyline-grange-894-0>

Forest Park Conservancy: <http://www.forestparkconservancy.org/>

Linnton Community Center: <http://www.linnton.com/lcc.asp>
Linnton Neighborhood Association: <http://linntonna.org/>
West Multnomah County Soil and Water Conservation District:
<http://wmswcd.org/>
Skyline School: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/skyline/>
Lincoln High School: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/lincoln/>

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