



Skyline Rural Watch Newsline

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THANKS TO 17 LOCAL RESIDENTS

For taking the CPR/First Aid Course at Skyline Grange last weekend. This knowledge strengthens the practical and life-saving resources of our community.

WREATH-MAKING WORKSHOP

The holidays are fast approaching, so join us for a fun and festive afternoon workshop as you craft your own beautiful holiday wreath. No experience necessary! Susan Still and Judy Flynn will guide you through the process. This is a fundraiser for the Capital Improvement fund.

- WHEN: Sunday, November 26, 2023
- TIME: 1-3 p.m.
- WHERE: Skyline Grange, 11275 NW Skyline Blvd.
- COST: \$25 for non-Grange Members & \$20 for Grange Members. Materials are provided.
- REGISTER: Registration is required since space is limited. Email skylinegrange894@msn.com to register, include your name, address, phone number and email. Deadline to register is Monday, November 20, 2023.
- PAYMENT: Send check made out to "Skyline Grange" to 14109 NW Rock Creek Rd., Portland, OR 97231 or call Rachael at 503.621.3423 to arrange payment by Venmo or credit card.
- Supplies, greens, and cones are provided, but you are encouraged to forage your garden for special additions (hydrangeas, nandina, skimmia, boxwood, etc)
- BRING: Bring pruners and gloves (optional)



Drive carefully, it's peak migration time for many animals

Oct. 30, 2023

SALEM, Ore. — Vehicle collisions with deer and elk tend to peak in October and November, when migration and breeding puts them on the move, making them more likely to cross roads. Fewer daylight hours and rainy weather also reduce drivers' visibility.

Each year, Oregon Department of Transportation crews remove about 6,000 carcasses of deer struck and killed by vehicles near Oregon's public roadways, and many more die away from roads or on county, city or private roads.

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife research with GPS-collars show mule deer faithfully follow their migratory route, no matter how many roads or other obstacles get put in the way. They often have no choice but to cross roads to get to food and shelter.

Some tips on avoiding wildlife collisions when driving:

- Animal crossings signs are placed in known crossing hotspots. Be on the lookout when you see one.
- Be alert in areas with dense vegetation along the road or while going around curves. Wildlife near the road may be hard to see.
- If you see one animal, stay alert because others are likely nearby.
- If you see an animal on or near the road, slow down and stay in your lane. Many serious crashes are the result of drivers losing control when they swerve.
- Always wear your seat belt. Even a minor collision could result in serious injuries.



Deer and elk using Oregon's latest wildlife undercrossing on US 97 near Gilchrist. Click photos for high resolution download.

This is also the time of year when the most road killed deer and elk are salvaged for meat. If you hit a deer or elk (or see one that is struck) don't forget, you must fill out a free permit and turn the head in within five days so ODFW can test for Chronic Wasting Disease. More info can be found [here](#).

There are a few areas in Oregon where you may see less animals crossing the highway, thanks to wildlife undercrossings. Keeping animals off highways creates safer environments for animals and safer roads for travelers.

Oregon's newest undercrossing was recently completed on U.S. 97 near Gilchrist. This was the first crossing that was paid for and built with help from many agencies, non-profits and volunteers. In recent years, the Oregon legislature has dedicated funds that support wildlife passage. Oregon Hunters Association, Oregon Wildlife Foundation, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and many others have also been key partners in directly supporting wildlife passage projects. Projects like this wouldn't be possible without support from partners across the state. To learn about how everyone came together to make this project happen, watch [this video](#).

ODFW and ODOT are continuing to work to reduce wildlife-vehicle collisions and preserve long-term habitat connectivity for Oregon's wildlife.

ODFW is working to finalize the state's [Wildlife Corridor Action Plan](#) and recently released the [Priority Wildlife Connectivity Areas](#) map. This map has GIS spatial modeling for 54 different wildlife species to show where Oregon can invest to provide the greatest overall benefit for wildlife movement.

If you want to support wildlife passage, consider the [Watch for Wildlife Oregon license plate](#). Proceeds from this plate fund wildlife passage and habitat connectivity projects statewide.

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Contact:

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Skyline Grange Artisan Holiday Sale

When: Sat.-Sun., November 18-19, 2023 10am – 4pm
Details Local artisans selling their handcrafted goods of all kinds including pottery, jewelry, handmade soaps, paper art, woodworking craft pieces, glass artwork

Wreath-Making Workshop

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Skyline Ridge Neighbors Board Meetings: 2nd Thursdays; Contact sm@smpdx.org for location
Grange Meetings: 2nd Mondays; Contact SkylineGrange894@msn.com to confirm
NET Meetings: Contact SkylingRidgeNET@gmail.com

ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED - RENTAL

Hello, I have a friend who is looking to relocate up on Skyline Ridge. She's interested in either an apartment, house, or roommate situation. She is a professional whose current living situation is ending. Please respond to deboralea@comcast.net and I'll put you in touch

Advertise in the Newsline

We welcome classified ads from individuals, families, and home-based businesses within the SRN boundaries. Ads are limited to 50 words, and be sure to include your contact information. Send them to newsline@smpdx.org and indicate how many times you want your ad to run.
Prices for Newsline ads are as follows:
Families & individuals: First issue is free, then \$5 for each additional repeat of the same ad.
Home based businesses: \$7.50 per Newsline issue
Commercial businesses: \$10/issue
Please pay for your ad in advance by mailing a check payable to Skyline Ridge Neighbors, Inc. to our Treasurer, Rachael Brake, 14109 NW Rock Creek Rd., Portland 97231. Be sure to indicate which Newsline ad you are paying for.

Skyline Ridge Neighbors, Inc Website

<https://www.smpdx.org/>

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. (<https://www.smpdx.org/boundary-map.html>) 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 Rachael Brake, 14109 NW Rock Creek Rd, Portland OR 97231. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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).
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@smpdx.org, or leaving a message at (503) 621-3501.
You can subscribe to the Newsline at SRNPDX.org [Get the Newsline](#) tab.

About the Ridge Runner

The Skyline Ridge Runner is a free quarterly publication mailed to approximately 1400 households in rural northwestern Multnomah County, Oregon. A color version is also distributed via email subscription and is posted on website smpdx.org website. It is published by Skyline Ridge Neighbors (SRN), an all-volunteer nonprofit neighborhood association, as a public service to provide news and information to residents.
If you have any ads, calendar listings, news items, stories, letters, photos, etc. that you would like to submit for publication, please email them to ridgerunner@smpdx.org. Or call Miles at (503-621-4987) to let him know you're going to send something for the Ridge Runner. Please note that the Ridge Runner may not reach mailboxes until the middle of the month of publication (April, July, October, January) Deadlines for all ad submissions are the 15th of March, June, September and December.

Calendar

Skyline Ridge Neighbor, Inc Regular Board Meeting: The SRN board meetings are routinely held the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm by Zoom. All are welcome to attend. For Zoom login information please reply to this email.
Find the community calendar here: <http://www.smpdx.org/calendar.html>

Resource Directory

As a service to neighbors, SRN publishes a listing of local government agencies and businesses in the [Skyline Resource Directory](#). Follow the links in this section to view its contents and learn how to add a business or agency listing. Listing of organizations and businesses herein does not imply any endorsement of SRN nor does it imply a lack of endorsement for similar organizations or businesses not included.

Community Links

- Skyline Ridge Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET): SkylineRidgeNET@gmail.com
- Skyline Grange: <https://skylinegrange894.org/>
- Forest Park Conservancy: <http://www.forestparkconservancy.org/>
- Linton Community Center: <http://www.lintoncommunitycenter.org/>
- Linton Neighborhood Association: <http://lintonna.org/>
- West Multnomah County Soil and Water Conservation District: <http://wsmwcd.org/>
- Skyline School: <http://www.wcs.k12.or.us/schools/skyline/>
- Skyline School PTA: <https://skylineschoolpta.org/>
- Lincoln High School: <http://www.wcs.k12.or.us/schools/lincoln/>

