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Date: March 7, 2025

- Skyline Grange #894 - Plant Sales: Living Series Presentations
- TVF&R Seeks Volunteer for its Civil Service Commission



Skyline Grange #894
 11275 NW Skyline Blvd., Portland, OR 97231
 Website: www.SkylineGrange894.org
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20th TREE & NATIVE PLANT SALE

WHEN: Friday-Saturday, April 4 & 5, 2025
 TIME: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 NATIVE PLANT SECTION:

- Over 100 native wildflower, shrub, sedge/rush, & fern species

HUGE TREE & NATIVE PLANT SALE @ SKYLINE GRANGE

It's our 20th Tree & Native Plant Sale. All from licensed local nurseries. Both quality and quantity at good prices. Grange has Temporary Nursery Sale license from Oregon Dept. of Agriculture. All proceeds will go to Skyline Grange's Capital Improvement Fund.

WHEN: Friday-Saturday, April 4 & 5, 2025
 HOURS: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 WHERE: Skyline Grange, 11275 NW Skyline Blvd. 972321
 STOCK: It's our 20th Tree & Native Plant Sale.

NATIVE PLANT SECTION

- Over 100 species of native wildflowers, shrubs and trees
 - includes native plants that thrive in sunny, shade, wet or dry locations,
 - includes plants good for erosion control, beneficial for birds, bees, and other wildlife,
 - includes native plants that are fire resistant
- Available as Pre-Order (**DEADLINE** March 22) or purchase during the Sale. Obtain a Native Pre-Order Form & Descriptions of Native Plants at [Native Plant Sales – Skyline Grange #894](#), or request at skylinegrange894@msn.com, or pick one up at Plainview Grocery or in box to the right of Grange's front door.
- Each species has an informative display sign.

BAREROOT SECTION

- Good selection of bareroot fruit-bearing, shade, flowering, & ornamental trees, & ornamental shrubs.
- Most of these bareroot trees and shrubs are not true PNW "natives", but they have been selected for their compatibility to thrive in our area but will not out-compete plants in our local native habitat.
- NOT available as pre-orders.
- No cane berries this year.

GENERAL INFO

- Resources, information, & handouts. Lists of native plants benefiting pollinating insects, bees, hummingbirds/birds, erosion control, sunny locations, shady locations.
- Handouts of care of bareroot trees, proper planting techniques.
- Display table of noxious weeds and other weeds of concern. Specimens provided by WMSWCD.
 - Mason Bee Table staffed by Fat Dog Farms with information & supplies on Fri., Apr. 4

QUESTIONS or to VOLUNTEER

Email skylinegrange894@msn.com

SKYLINE LIVING SERIES of PRESENTATIONS @ SKYLINE GRANGE

Skyline Grange Education Committee continues to offer FREE educational opportunities on topics relevant to our community. Our Grange is located at 11275 NW Skyline Blvd. Here are the next two: See flyers at [Skyline Living Series – Skyline Grange #894](#).

• TALK: EARTHQUAKES ON SKYLINE RIDGE

DATE: Wednesday, March 26, 2025
 TIME: 7 – 8:30 p.m.
 SPEAKER: Jay Wilson, former Chair of the Oregon Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission (OSSPAC), former Programs Coordinator for Oregon Emergency Management, previous FEMA Mitigation Reservist, and member of the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, will be speaking as a Portland resident and concerned citizen.

DETAILS: Wilson will provide an overview of the threat and risks of major earthquakes for the Skyline Ridge area and the CEI Hub (fuel storage tanks) in Linnton.

• MOVIE SHOWING: "Once a Braided River: How Portland Abused & Degraded the River that Runs Through It"

DATE: Wednesday, April 23, 2025
 TIME: Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Film begins at 7 p.m. Panel discussion to follow.

DETAILS:

- A documentary by local filmmaker Barbara Bernstein
- For thousands of years the north reach of the Willamette River, near its confluence with the Columbia, was a braided river of shallow channels and islands rich in biodiversity.
- This film tells the story of the Willamette River before it was transformed into a "Superfund" site, a federal designation for the worst contaminated areas in the United States.
- This film features community groups and activists working to replace the current Industrial Sanctuary with a green working waterfront defined by good jobs, clean energy, and healthy ecosystems. The documentary explores their vision to reclaim this stretch of river as a place where people and wildlife who depend upon the river for their homes, jobs and migration routes can thrive.

• WHY YOU SHOULD SEE THIS MOVIE

- The six mile stretch of the Willamette River just downhill from Skyline Grange and our neighborhood houses hundreds of tank farms and is designated the Critical Energy Infrastructure (CEI) hub. It stores millions of gallons of gasoline, crude oil, fracked gas, and other toxic chemicals - 90 percent of the fossil fuel consumed across the state of Oregon.
- This "industrial sanctuary" exposes neighboring communities to the worst air pollution in the Portland area as well as ongoing risks of explosions. The consequences of an earthquake to Linnton and to our neighborhood would be immense.

BAREROOT TREES FOR SALE

We ordered a few more bareroot native trees & shrubs for you who did not get your Mostly Tree Seedling Sale pre-order in. These are for sale on a first come, first serve basis. Contact skylinegrange894@msn.com or text 503-708-1414 if you wish to purchase. With the possible exception of tall Oregon grape, the other species will not be available at our April Tree & Native Plant Sale.

- 2 Valley Ponderosa Pine (*Pinus ponderosa*) @ \$3 each
- 4 Nootka Rose (*Rosa nutkana*) @ \$3 each
- 5 Douglas Fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*) @ \$3 each
- 11 Tall Oregon-Grape (*Berberis aquifolium*) @ \$3 each
 - 1 Western Redcedar (*Thuja plicata*) @ \$3
 - 1 Giant Sequoia (*Sequoiadendron giganteum*) @ \$3
- 6 Western Serviceberry (*Amelanchier alnifolia*) @ \$3 each
- 8 Mockorange (*Philadelphus lewisii*) @ \$3 each



TVF&R Seeks Volunteer for its Civil Service Commission

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue is seeking to fill one vacancy on its Civil Service Commission.

The five-member commission oversees TVF&R's civil service system to ensure uniform standards in hiring, promotion, and tenure for employees. The commission meets quarterly to address a variety of matters, including oversight of actions related to employee classification, examinations, eligibility list management, appointments, and appeals.

An ideal volunteer candidate will have the following attributes:

- Is a resident in an area served by the District or owns property within the District's service area.
- An understanding of and commitment to the general purposes of the District's civil service rules, including providing equal opportunity to qualified persons in all aspects of employment in civil service positions and increasing effectiveness and efficiency in the administration of personnel processes.
- Ability to make high-quality decisions based on a mixture of analysis, wisdom, experience, and judgement.
- Is comfortable dealing with concepts and complexity.
- A broad perspective for viewing a situation.
- Ability to make a commitment to a four-year term as an unpaid volunteer, with attendance at quarterly evening meetings in Tigard and special meetings as needed.

For more information about this volunteer opportunity and a link to apply, visit www.tvf.com. Applications will be accepted beginning on April 11 and are due by April 27. Interviews for selected candidates will occur Monday, May 5. An orientation will be held in late May or early June with the first commission meeting set for June 11 at 3 p.m.

TVF&R is an all-hazards, full-service fire district providing fire protection and suppression, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response, technical and water rescue, fire prevention, public education, ambulance transport, and more to 548,000 residents in approximately 390 square miles. Our service area includes 11 cities and portions of four counties in Oregon.

The District operates 28 career fire stations and one volunteer station with a total of 586 employees. Almost 80% of our employees are in positions governed by the District's civil service system.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Wanted: Arena / Barn to Rent for Dog Training

The Columbia Agility Team is in search of an arena to rent to use for dog agility practice. Here are the specifications we are looking for:

- At least 60' x 90'
- Electricity and water access
- Parking for at least ten vehicles
- Exclusive use
- Minimum lease term of three years (strongly preferred)

Within 15 miles of Tanasbourne (with strong preference for Hillsboro or easy access to Hwy 26)
 Contact Tracey, Email: SunniAndTummi@yahoo.com
 Club Member of Columbia Agility Team.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

What: 2025 Summer Gathering

When: Saturday July 19 2025
 Where: Plumper Pumpkin Patch and Tree Farm
 If you'd like to help out, reach out to our gathering chair [Brad Graff](mailto:Brad.Graff)

Skyline Ridge Neighbors Board Meetings: 2nd Thursdays; Contact sm@srnpdx.org for location

Skyline Grange 894 Events

<https://skylinegrange894.org/calendar/> Email: skylinegrange894@msn.com
 Yoga - See [Calendar for Dates and Times](#)

Grange Meetings: 2nd Mondays; Contact SkylineGrange894@msn.com to confirm

Plant Sale April 4-5

See [Grange website](#) for details and preorder forms

Living Series:

Wed., Mar 26, 7 pm: Earthquakes on Skyline
 Wed., Apr 23, 7 pm: Movie Showing - Once a Braided River

Skyline Ridge Wildfire Ready Workshop.; Saturday, May 3, 2025, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at Skyline Grange #894. This event will be free, registration required, and include lunch. See our site (wmswcd.org) and newsletter for registration in the spring!

NET Meetings: Contact SkylineRidgeNET@gmail.com

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@srnpdx.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 Brate, 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.srnpdx.org/>

SRN is a neighborhood association serving much of unincorporated northwest Multnomah County and some adjacent areas within the city of Portland. (<https://www.srnpdx.org/about-us>) SRN is registered as a neighborhood association within Multnomah County, organized 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 Brate, 14109 NW Rock Creek Rd., Portland OR 97231. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

About the Newsline

Skyline Ridge Neighbors 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@srnpdx.org, or leaving a message at (503) 621-3501.

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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 srnpdx.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 Miles at 503@srnpdx.org or leaving a message at (503) 621-3501. 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.

Community Links

Skyline Ridge Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET): SkylineRidgeNET@gmail.com

Skyline Grange: <https://www.skylinegrange894.org/>

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

Linnton Community Center: <http://www.linntoncommunitycenter.org/>

Linnton Neighborhood Association: <http://linntonna.org/>

West Multnomah County Soil and Water Conservation District: <http://wmswcd.org/>

Skyline School: <http://www.spsd.k12.or.us/schools/skyline/>

Skyline School PTA: <https://www.facebook.com/skylinepta/>

Lincoln High School: <http://www.ros.k12.or.us/schools/lincoln/>

