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Skyline Rural Watch Newsline

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SKYLINE GRANGE #894 ACTIVITIES



Skyline Grange is located at 11275 NW Skyline Blvd. skylinegrange894@msn.com.

HUGE TREE & NATIVE PLANT SALE @ SKYLINE GRANGE

Our Sale starts tomorrow. Come and enjoy spring with us. We are ready because of a dedicated group of volunteers. This Sale is worth your trip. Great selection. Well organized. Here are the details:

WHEN: Friday-Saturday, April 5 & 6, 2024
HOURS: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
WHERE: Skyline Grange, 11275 NW Skyline Blvd. 972321
STOCK:

- We have Temporary Nursery license from ODA.
- All stock is from licensed local nurseries.
- We are dedicated to quality and the right plant for the individual customer.
- Good informational posters throughout.
- Display and information about invasive, noxious weeds.
- Photos can be viewed on Craig's List at [Tree & Native Plant Sale @ Skyline Grange - farm & garden - by owner... \(craigslist.org\)](#)
- This is our 19th annual sale and a group of volunteers have worked hard to make it our best. Fresh coffee and cookies just out of the oven. Don't let some rain drips stop you from coming – you are a hearty Oregonian, and we need rain.
- All proceeds go to our Capital Improvement Fund.

NATIVE PLANT SECTION (inside)
Over 95 species, including wildflowers, ferns, shrubs and trees. Because of our cold winter/spring, some plants are just beginning to leaf or emerge. Watch your newly purchased camas, western azalea, fawn lilies, trilliums, and Indian plum announce spring is finally here. All are potted.

BARE ROOT SECTION (outside)
Buying trees and shrubs as bareroots is economical. But because they are not potted, these bareroot plants need to be either heeled in to the ground or planted as soon as possible. Most of these bareroots are not Oregon "natives", but have been chosen because they do well in our area and are compatible with our Oregon natives. Come find the perfect tree for your needs. Here is a listing of some bare root highlights:

• **FRUIT-BEARING TREES: (dwarf or semi-dwarf)**

- o Apples: Arkane, Braeburn, Chehalis, Cortland, Gala, Granny Smith, Gravenstein, Honeycrisp, Honeycrisp, Jonathan, Liberty, Macoun, Spy, Spartan, Spitzenburg, Sweet Sixteen, Wealthy, Winesap, & Yellow Transparent.
- o Apricot: Blenheim/Royal
- o Sour Cherry: Northern Star
- o Sweet Cherry: Bing, Black Tartarian, Royal Ann/Napolean
- o Peaches: Frost
- o Pear: Anjou, Bartlett, Bosc, Comice, & Seckel
- o Pear (Asian): Chojuro, Hosui, & Nijisseiki/20th Century
- o Plum/Prune: Green Gage, Italian, Santa Rosa, & Shiro
- o Combination Apple & Combination Plum
- o Combination Espaliered Apple

• **NUTS**

- o Almond: Hall's Hardy
- o Walnut: Manregion & Carpathian

• **DECIDUOUS SHRUBS**

- o Yellow-Twig Dogwood, Snowberry, Lilac, Forsythia, Willow

• **SHADE TREES**


- o Eastern Redbud, Aspen
- o Maples: Crimson King, Autumn Flame, Red Sunset, Sugar Maple
- o Birch: Paper Birch

• **FLOWERING/or WEeping ORNAMENTAL TREES**

INFORMATION TABLES

- 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 of noxious weeds and other weeds of concern, staffed by WMSWCD on Friday.
- Mason Bee informational table by Fat Dog Farms on Friday.

"LIVING WITH BLACK BEARS" PRESENTATION
This is the 4th Skyline Living Series of presentations in 2024 organized by Skyline Grange Education Committee. All welcome. Free.



WHEN: Wednesday, April 17, 2024
TIME: 7-8:30 p.m.
WHERE: Skyline Grange, 11275 NW Skyline Blvd.
SPEAKER: Benjamin Cate, ODFW Wildlife Biologist

- Seldom do local residents sight a bear here but may occasionally see scat or tree markings. Black bears are normally wary of people, making encounters rare.
- But in 2023, a black bear made an occasional nuisance of itself along Skyline Ridge. The bear got into garbage cans, beehives, and chicken coops. These delicious food sources can be very appealing to bears and certainly less work.
- Come learn about our local black bear neighbors, their lives, and what we can do to reduce the chance of conflict with a bear becoming more habituated to human presence.

OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD INFORMATION AND EVENTS

POTHOLE REPAIR PROGRESS

I'm glad to report that we did hear back of a couple of pothole repairs. There were some repairs done on Rock Creek Rd and a big one on Skyline just North of mile post 14. Hopefully there were more that we just haven't heard about. Thanks to all the neighbors that took a minute to let the county know of these issues.

Laurel Erhardt

APRIL RIDGE RUNNER AVAILABLE ONLINE NOW

Before the printed Ridge Runner arrives in your mailbox, check out the [full color edition](#) on the SRN website.

BACKYARD BURN SEASON BEGAN 3/1, BUT CALL BEFORE YOU BURN

- Residential "backyard" outdoor burning is limited to approved burn days and hours during the spring (March 1-June 15) and fall (October 1-December 15). This allows for limited outdoor burning of yard debris, leaves and tree trimmings in accordance with DEQ Rules and ODF rules.
 - Check the TVF&R Outdoor Burning Map at [Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Burn Restrictions \(arcgis.com\)](#) to see if your address is allowed residential backyard debris burning.
 - Next, if burning is allowed in your area, find out whether it is an approved burn day by calling TVF&R's Burn Message at 503-259-1789. Call before you burn!
 - Days and hours approved depend upon air quality and fire risks.
 - Unauthorized burning during a burn ban may be subject to enforcement.
 - Never leave a fire unattended. Escaped fire is a leading cause of wildfires in Oregon.

WEED WRENCH

Borrow an awesome tool to easily pull Scotch broom, holly, woody shrubs and sapling trees. Contact Sen 503.621.3331 for large & medium size (located on Skyline near mile marker 15). Contact Laura 503.407.7175 for small size (located on McNamee Rd).



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

April 24, Wed: SRN Annual Spring Meeting and Pizza Party

Time: 6 pm to 7:30 pm
Come join us for a Neighborhood Pizza Party. It is Wednesday, April 24th at the Skyline Grange (11275 NW Skyline Blvd, Portland, OR, 97231). After a brief business meeting, there will be representatives from the following organizations available to answer your questions: Metro Partners, Forest Park Conservancy, West Multnomah SWCD, Firewise, TVFR and Fire Marshal, SRN, SOLVE, Skyline Grange & Neighborhood Emergency Team.

April 27: SOLVE SRN Roadside Cleanup

Time: 9 till Noon
For details or to preregister go to: [SOLVE](#) Or register on event day at Skyline Grange 11275 NW Skyline Blvd

July 27, 2024 - DATE CHANGE - Annual SRN Neighborhood Summer Gathering at the Plumper Pumpkin. Again, there will be plenty of activities, food, and a fun time getting together with your neighbors (not to mention lots of donated items for purchase at our auction). If you are interested in helping with the event, please contact Brad Graff, bradgraff@gmail.com or Tracey Larvenz tlarvenz@gmail.com.

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

Events at Skyline Grange 894

<https://skylinegrange894.org/calendar/> Email: skylinegrange894@msn.com

Mar. 22 - June 15: Garlic Mustard Drop-off site. Info: <https://www.srnpdx.org/garlic-mustard.html>

Apr. 5-6: Tree& Native Plant Sale

Apr 17: Living with Black Bears

May 22: Beavers: Ecosystem Engineers
Grange Meetings: 2nd Mondays; Contact SkylineGrange894@msn.com to confirm

NET Meetings: Contact SkylineRidgeNET@gmail.com

CLASSIFIED ADS

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 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.srnpdx.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.srnpdx.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 the operation of 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 the 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@srnpdx.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 [srnpdx.org](https://www.srnpdx.org). 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 rlarvenz@srnpdx.org. Or call Miles at (503-621-8867) 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.srnpdx.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/>
 - Linnton Community Center: <http://www.linntoncommunitycenter.org/>
 - Linnton Neighborhood Association: <http://linntona.org/>
 - West Multnomah County Soil and Water Conservation District: <http://wmswcd.org/>
 - Skyline School: <http://www.wes.k12.or.us/schools/skyline/>
 - Skyline School PTA: <https://www.skylineschoolpta.org/>
 - Lincoln High School: <http://www.wes.k12.or.us/schools/lincoln/>

