

## FOOTHILLS RURAL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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#### FRA EVENTS CALENDAR

EASTER EGG HUNT Saturday March 26 10 a.m.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Due May 13

#### **FUN RUN**

Saturday, June 18 8 a.m.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL Thursday, June 30



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#### **WELCOME TO THE FIRST NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW YEAR!**

I hope that you enjoy reading about what has been happening in the Foothills, and I hope to see you at some of the many upcoming events the FRA is hosting this year - starting with Founders Day on March 12. As you can see in this newsletter, many of your friends and neighbors provide hours of volunteer service to make these events and activities possible. The FRA needs your support, too! If you have not already done so, please help by becoming a paid member of the FRA. Your annual dues of just \$20 will fund scholarships and activities that are open to and benefit all Foothills residents. Your contribution will help our community stay strong!

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

The FRA Youth Committee will be hosting the Annual Easter Egg Hunt **Saturday, March 26, 10:00 a.m.** at the Community Center. Eggs will be found in abundance around the Center, with plenty for all. A lucky few will score golden eggs for extra prizes. All are welcomebring your basket and join the fun!



# RECYCLE

#### **HELP FOOTHILLS GET GREEN & STAY GREEN**

This year the Foothills is going green! At least a little bit. We are starting an **Aluminum Can Community Collection Drive.** We will take all your tin pop cans, soup cans, and any other tin cans you have laying around. Please rinse them out and save them. On the second Sunday or Monday of

the month bring them to the Foothills Community Center and drop them off! **That simple!** Our local Green Guru Holly Weiler will be helping throughout the year with other easy going green ideas. Please call Ashley Humbird @ 994.8538 or Holly Weiler @ 921.8928 with questions.

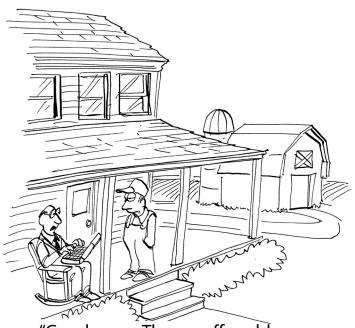
#### FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH A UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ▲ Vacation Bible Camp June 27th July 1, 2016
  - ▲ Neighborhood/VBC BBQ June 30th



Has a new family recently moved in near you? If so, the Foothills Rural Association would love to know about it! The area served by the FRA is fairly large and spread out, so it is sometimes difficult to know when new residents have moved into the area. We try to keep our eyes open for real estate signs going up and down, but this can be difficult. Yet we would like to welcome all new families to our "neighborhood" and to let them know about the FRA events and activities that are available to them.

YOU are the best eyes as to what is happening in the neighborhood! So if you have a change in neighbors, please let someone on the FRA Board know. Even if you have not yet formally met them and/or know their names or details, please let us at least know the address so that we can follow up. The FRA is all about supporting the neighborhood!

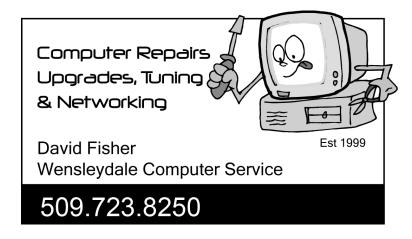


"Good news. The runoff problem can be solved by picking up your farm and moving it eight feet to the left."

#### 2016 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The FRA, in conjunction with the Blue Ribbon Circle, will again be offering the Jess Kronquist Memorial Scholarship this spring. Over the years we have awarded tens of thousands of dollars of scholarship money to support the continued education of the Foothills Rural Association community. We would love to help you! Whatever/wherever you may be studying, if you could use some help with tuition, please consider applying this year.

The application form and instructions (including information about the essay and transcript requirements) will be posted on FRA website at www. ruralspokane.com by March 15th. Applications will be due by May 13th. Applicants will also participate in brief interviews at the Community Center with the Scholarship Committee, tentatively scheduled for the evening of Friday May 20th. Please feel free to direct any questions regarding the application, evaluation, interview, and/or any aspect of this year's process to Dawn Keig at 808-4076 or dawn.keig@gmail.com. Good luck to all lifelong learners!





#### **HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS**

#### **HALLOWEEN CHILI FEED**

Once again the FRA prepared and dished out gallons of chili at its annual free chili feed. The line was long at times, but the wait was worth it for the delicious homemade chili. The wonderful food enticed visitors to donate nearly \$250 for the FRA Scholarship fund! Thanks to the FRA cooks and hunters who made this possible!

#### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The FRA Youth Committee lead by Kay Potter and Sarah Friendshuh hosted a joyful Christmas Party at the Community Center in December. The event was well attended, and the gingerbread house activity was a big hit with sweet builders young and old. Santa took a break from his Christmas preparations to pay a visit to the FRA area kids and hear their wishes. Two lucky Foothills residents went home with raffle prizes generously donated by Holly Lane Tree Farm - a beautiful tree and a handmade wreath. Thank you to the Youth Committee and all those who helped put on this fun event.

#### **ANNUAL MEETING RE-CAP**

The FRA Annual Meeting in January saw a good turnout of 32 people who enjoyed an informative presentation by Spokane County Sheriff's Deputy David Morris. The FRA re-elected Mike Britton as President, Dawn Keig as Vice President, and Karen Feyk as Secretary. Don Tucker was re-elected Treasurer, but he has expressed an interest in retiring from that position, so the FRA is looking for a replacement treasurer - if you are interested in serving, please contact any FRA board member. Two at-large board members were also elected - Ashley Humbird and Leisha Konrad. Congratulations and a big thank you to all those elected to serve on the FRA Board.

Meeting attendees also enjoyed a variety of baked goodies and good company. Many attendees paid their 2016 dues (you should too!) and the FRA collected \$201 in scholarship fund donations. Thank you all for supporting the FRA!



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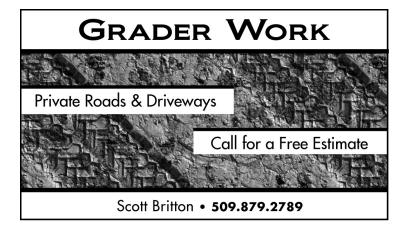
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#### **CALLING ALL BOOK LOVERS!**

Out with the old books and in with the new! Don't forget to clear out your reading materials when spring cleaning. The Foothills Little Free Library is open for the season and is in need of a couple more donated books. The Little Free Library is a great place to try a new to you book. Its located on the side of the Community Center and has books for all ages. If you'd like to just donate books leave them inside the Library.



In Spokane, Yuma, or Loon Lake Lloyd has a legacy he can't fake All his children, all his friends Love him dearly, so come eat cake

Saturday, May 28th 2:00-4:00 Foothills Community Center

RSVP Kelly Lancaster 509-922-4825 No gifts, just your presence.





For the period from October 1, 2015 through February 1, 2016, the fire crews of Station 96 had a fairly quiet time, with the exception of the flurry of downed power line calls during the windstorm in November and again during the snowstorm in December. The crews rolled on a total of 7 downed power line calls during those two weather events. In addition there were four EMS calls, and two vehicle accidents - one with, one without injuries. Adding one false alarm, there were a total of 14 calls in the four month span. No fire calls means people in the area have been keeping their chimneys clean! Thank you to our volunteers for being out in the storms keeping us safe from the downed lines.





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Ethan The Handyman994-4378 or Licensed, bonded & insured	921-6766
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#### FRA BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are held at the Community Center building on the second Monday of the month. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. and usually end just after 8 p.m. All Foothills residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

2016 Board Meetings: 3/14, 4/11, 5/9, 6/13

The Foothills Rural Association, 11000 N. Forker Road, was established as a non-profit corporation under section 502(C) (4) of the Internal Revenue Code on December 12, 1983. The purposes of the corporation are to organize the property owners and/or current residents within the boundaries of Fire District 9, Station 6: to provide a forum by which the property owners and/or current residents to assist governmental agencies in better planning the use and resources of the Foothills area: to preserve and protect the rural agricultural environment.

Voting Membership in the Association is open to any property owner or current resident within the Foothills boundaries. Membership dues are \$20 per year. Non-voting Membership is available to others through payment of dues. The Association is governed by elected volunteer officers and a board of directors. FRA Alerts system has been established in an effort to increase community awareness about crime occurring in our area. Residents are encouraged to report ALL crimes to Crime Check, 456-2233. After making a report, please email david@ruralspokane.com or rfkrenkel@ptera.net or call Faye Krenkel, 928-6610.

The Foothills Community Center, 11000 N. Forker Road, which is located adjacent to the Foothills Fire Station, exists as a result of community efforts to save and renovate the former Foothills School Building. The Center, used for many community activities, is maintained and supported by the Foothills Rural Association. It is available for use by members of the Foothills Rural Association for a nominal utilities charge and by non-members for a reasonable rental fee. The Community Center includes complete kitchen facilities. For information or to reserve a date, call: Sherrie Potter, 927-8532.

Foothills Rural Association Website: www.ruralspokane.com Contact: David Fisher, Webmaster: davidf@ruralspokane.com

#### 2016 Board Officers

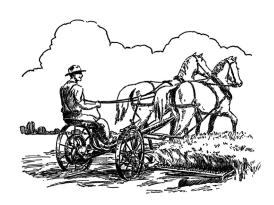
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### **MEMBERSHIP**

It's easy to become a member of the Foothills Rural Association. NOW is the time to play an active role in the foothills community. Annual dues of only \$20 will help support programs, events and information for our community.

We are now collecting 2016 dues. Please check your mailing label above - if your label says "Member 2016," you have already paid. If your label does not say "Member" - please join or renew your membership. Your support is essential for this community non-profit organization. Thank you for your continued support.

Please complete the form and mail it with your annual membership dues of \$20 to:

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