

FOOTHILLS RURAL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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FOOTHILLS FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL

Sat. July 11th • 11am – 4pm

Free event sponsored by the Foothills Community Church. An old fashioned fun filled family day for all Foothills area residents! Prizes, contest, games, sno-cones, along with 30+ activities. Hosted by the FRA Board at the Community Center Building. B-B-Q hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and bottled water, all available for a nominal fee.

FREE CAR WASH

MAY 16, 10:00am - 3:00pm

Foothills Community Church

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HELGAR-KRONQUIST LANDFILL

On February 17th the Department of Ecology hosted a public meeting to review and discuss a draft Agreed Order requiring Kaiser Aluminum to conduct a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study at the Heglar-Kronquist landfill. The purpose of the Remedial Investigation is to gather more information to determine the nature and extent of site-related contamination that may be in soil and groundwater. The Feasibility Study will evaluate cleanup options. Public comments were accepted from February 9 through March 11th. The public will be notified of additional comment periods as new documents are developed.

The Heglar-Kronquist site, nearly four acres, was used as a gravel pit until 1969. Subsequently the site was used as a disposal site which Kaiser used from 1969 to 1974 for disposal of aluminum black dross, a by-product from processing aluminum materials. The dross disposal was stopped in 1974 because of water and air sampling showed elevated levels of several organic compounds. Kaiser took several steps to address the contamination in 1984 including the installation of a cover over the dross pile. This cover consists of a two foot thick clay dressing topped with soil and grass, drainage ditches, and a passive gas venting system. Kaiser eventually purchased the property. Monitoring information from the early 1980s through 2004 indicated decreasing but still elevated chloride and nitrates in springs down gradient from the site. Kaiser agreed to sample wells before their legal agreement with Ecology was final because of the community concerns. Once the Agreed Order is finalized, Kaiser will conduct additional studies and identify potential cleanup options for the site.

For more information visit: www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/heglar/heglar_hp.html

FOOTHILLS SCENIC FIVE 2009

22ND ANNUAL FUN RUN/WALK!

Saturday, June 20th • Race starting time: 8:00am

Late registration and packet pick up starting at 7:00am.

Registration (*see page 3*) for the Fun Run are due by June 6th.

Questions: contact Holly at 921-8928. *Volunteers still needed!*

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Saturday, June 20th • 8:30am -10:00am • Community Center Bldg.

\$3/person (5 & under free) All you can eat! Pancakes, Ham, Fruit Juice & Coffee.

TWENTY DOLLAR BENEFIT

By Jim Wallrabenstein

Reprinted from May, 2001 newsletter

“Why write a check for \$20 in payment of the annual dues for the FRA?” “Is there a benefit for myself or my family in doing so?”, you ask yourself. “What is my money used for by the Association?” If you find yourself trying to answer these questions, you are not alone? And, yes, it’s OK to ask. No need to feel guilty! Your dues serve as a tangible evidence of your caring and interest in preserving the rural lifestyle of the foothills area. Your dues allow the Association to: Publish and distribute this newsletter three or four times a year. Maintain the Foothills Community Center and grounds. Provide funds for community events including the annual Funwalk, potluck dinners, and special holiday events. Invest in savings to insure availability of funds for large projects, such as new siding, replacement windows, or increased insulation for the Community Center. Supplement income from the Jess Kronquist Endowment Fund to fund additional educational scholarships for Foothills youth.

The Foothills community is fortunate to have an active community association, the activities of which are planned and carried out by volunteer community residents for the benefit of us all. Even if you choose to not actively participate in community events, your membership dues help us “bind our community together: in a spirit of “neighbors helping neighbors”. Please know that your membership support is both needed and appreciated! And, don’t forget! The Community Center is here for all of us to use and enjoy. As paid “members” you pay no rental fee for use of the Center, only a minimal charge to cover utilities. It is a wonderful meeting place for family gatherings, receptions, and parties. With complete kitchen facilities and available parking, it offers a wonderful alternative to your home for large gatherings.

So, if your mailing label does not read “Member 2009” below your name, why not send your membership dues in today? Be one of us! Be a member of the Foothills Rural Association.

Thank you for your support!

MUSIC PICKERS WANTED

Dale Preedy is looking for music “pickers” to meet informally for jam sessions. The music played will mostly consist of country/western and bluegrass. Dale’s idea is to have a regular place and time for Foothills musicians to gather, on a drop-in basis, to play and enjoy music. Give Dale a call at 466-6172.

COMMUNITY GARAGE/YARD SALE

A couple Foothills people are willing to coordinate a community garage/yard sale during the month of June. For a small fee they will advertise the event and provide location maps for the bargain hunters. Please call Kelly at 921-9181 or by email: kpefley@qwest.com by April 30th to have your items listed.

ANTOINE PEAK ACQUISITION

By Holly Weiler

Unfortunately, there is no news to report regarding Antoine Peak. The acquisition will be funded through three purchase phases; the first phase was completed in 2007 and protected 385 acres at the summit of the peak. Phase 2 consists of 370 acres, and is currently at the top of the acquisition list. Phase 3 consists of 336 acres and is fourth on the list. The rankings are based on a list of fifteen recommended acquisitions across the state of Washington rated in terms of ecological value, species protected, public benefit and use, educational and scientific values, and proximity to urban areas. Antoine Peak is especially unique considering that it is located just one mile from the Urban Growth Boundary. The completion of the acquisition process is dependent upon conservation futures funding and matching funding through grant programs. The level of funding in the capital budget for the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program is currently set at \$100 million; however, with budget cuts happening across the state, this level of funding is in jeopardy. Cuts to this program could postpone the acquisition of the remainder of Antoine Peak. Please consider visiting the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition website to comment on maintaining the current level of funding for worthy projects like Antoine Peak.

Visit the comments page at <http://www.wildliferecreation.org/getinvolved/take-action-in-2009/please-support-100m-for-wwrp-park-habitat-farmland-grants>.

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FOOTHILLS SCENIC FIVE 2009 AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us for this 22nd Annual Event. The 5-mile course has rolling hills, a mixture of pavement and dirt and is for runners and walkers. A less strenuous 3-mile course is available, as well as a 1-mile out-and-back course.

When: Saturday, June 20th, 2009

Where: Foothills Community Center 11000 N. Forker Rd.

Race Start: 8:00 a.m. • Late registration and packet pick up starting at 7:00 a.m.

Registration by mail: Entries must be post marked by June 6th. Entry fees are non-refundable.

Late/day-of-race registration is \$5; sorry, no shirts are available after the entry deadline.

Awards Ceremony: 9:30 after the race, in front of the Community Center. Special awards will be given to the 1st place men's and women's overall winners in the 5-mile and 3-mile race. Ribbons will be awarded to the top three finishers in each age group in the 5-mile race only. There will be a random prize drawing after the awards; must be present to win.

General Info: There will be an all you can eat pancake breakfast from 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the Community Center. Come and enjoy a hot meal; visit with your neighbors. Breakfast is \$3 (children 5 and under free). Runners/walkers; breakfast is not included with registration fee.

Questions? Call Holly at 921-8928. **Volunteers still needed!**

FUN RUN REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: *(Please print)* _____

LAST

First

Middle

AGE on 6/21/09 _____ Male: _____ Female: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

I will be participating in the:

- 1 mile 3 mile 5 mile
 Pancake Breakfast (\$3 - Please pay at breakfast)

Registration Fee:

- \$12 Fun Run Registration & T-shirt
Shirt size *(circle one)* S M L XL XXL(\$1extra)
 \$5 Fun Run Registration Only

My age group is: *(circle one)*

0-14 15-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-70 70+

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

(Make checks payable to the Foothills Rural Association)

Send Registration and Payment to:

Foothills Rural Association
7318 N. Adams Rd.
Spokane, WA. 99217.

Signed _____ Date _____
(Parent/Guardian if under 18)

Waiver: In consideration of acceptance of this entry, I waive all Claims for myself and my heirs against officials and sponsors of the Foothills Scenic Five for Injury and illness, which may directly or indirectly result from traveling to and from or participating in the event. I also state I am in proper physical condition to participate.

RURALSPOKANE.COM

Check the FRA website for latest **UPDATES**, view the newsletter in **COLOR**, see me and a **MOOSE** on the **GALLERY** page, follow the local **RESOURCES** page for **LINKS** to the **NOXIOUS WEED** board, **WILDLIFE** and local **TRAILS**. Download the Scholarship, Fun Run, Membership application forms and check **CLASSIFIEDS** to locate neighborhood *Businesses*.

MEMBERSHIP

With the exception of 2008, membership figures have increased yearly for the period from 2003 to 2008. The numbers rose from 143 members in 2003 to a high of 174 members in 2007! Hopefully the final count for 2008 of 119 people is not an indication of a downward trend. Check your address label; if there is "Member 2009" after your name, THANK YOU, your membership is up to date. If "Member 2009" is missing, please take a time now to either renew your membership or become a member. The membership form is located on the back page, either fill it out then post to the listed address; or just drop a note with a check to the membership chairperson at 16115 E. Temple Road, Spokane, WA 99217

2008 SCHOLARSHIP

Thank You!

As the envelope from the following thank you note was tossed when opened and there was no signature on the note, we are unsure which scholarship recipient wrote the following:

Dear Mr. Britton,
I would like to extend my thanks to you and the scholarship committee for your generous gift. It will help me further my education at the University of Washington. The scholarship reflects the outstanding generosity of our community.
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FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH SUMMER CAMP

Pinecroft Summer Camp is held at the Pend Oreille Bible Camp, located a few miles outside of Newport, WA. All camps are open to everyone, participants do not have to live in the Foothills area nor attend the Foothills Community Church. Vacation Bible School is held at Foothills Community Church.

- Primary Camp (grades 2-4) July 8-10
- Senior Camp (grades 4-7) July 13 -18
- Junior Camp (grades 8-12) July 20 -24
- Vacation Bible School July 27 - 31

For more information:

Call the church office at 926-4971, 8am - 2pm.

MOMS IN MOTION.... IS COMING TO THE FOOTHILLS!

Moms In Motion is a Global Social Network connecting moms and women through fitness. Do you want to challenge yourself in a new way, get fit and have fun? Do you want to improve your current fitness level and performance in your sport? Would you like to accomplish a new goal or do something you've never done before? Would you like to meet women who share the same interests that you do?

Each team is led by qualified coaches and has clinics for inspiration and information. Team members receive community perks, team shirt and website membership. Our mission is fun, fitness and Philanthropy. Foothills area Moms In Motion is coached by three local women: Angie Gardner, Holly Weiler and Amber Hamilton. Visit www.momsinmotion.com or call Angie Gardner at 325-4684 or email her at brianangieg@yahoo.com. This organization is for all women, not just mothers. All athletic abilities are welcome!!



Moms in Motion -

Mt. Spokane/Foothills Bloomsday Training Team

Starts March 5th. Each Thursday we will meet at 5:30pm outside the Foothills Community Center at 11000 N. Forker Road. Wear comfortable running/walking clothes and bring water.

Contact: Angie Gardner at brianangieg@yahoo.com or call 325-4684 or www.momsinmotion.com to become a member. Women of all ages and fitness levels welcome!

SCHOLARSHIPS 2009

By Mike Britton

The Foothills Rural Association together with the Blue Ribbon Circle fund up to a total of \$3,000 for college tuition. In the past several years we have assisted many Foothills residents of all ages, all disciplines, all needs, in achieving their educational goals. Applicants must be a resident or a child of a resident of the Foothills area, as determined by the Scholarship Committee. The Committee will select recipients and determine awards based upon the number of approved applicants. Complete requirements are listed on the application.

Additional Jess Kronquist Memorial Scholarship applications may be downloaded from www.ruralspokane.com.

Central Grange Scholarship

Applicants for this scholarship must either be a member, child or grandchild of a member of the Central Grange. To secure this scholarship form, call Mike Britton at 922-1492. *Reminder:* don't wait to hear from a scholarship committee before applying for another scholarship – application deadlines may pass while waiting.



JESS KRONQUIST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Foothills Rural Association • Blue Ribbon Circle

Scholarship Eligibility and Administration: The amount of each scholarship may vary. Past scholarships have averaged \$550-\$1000 each; with three to four recipients. Scholarships will be awarded to Foothills residents as selected by the Foothills Rural Association Scholarship Committee. Consideration will be given to:

✓Need and use of the scholarship ✓Grade Point Average ✓School activities/community service ✓Completion of the application as directed

APPLICANT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME: _____

APPROXIMATE ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$ _____

ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS ATTENDING COLLEGE: _____

Education: *Attach a copy of your most recent high school or college transcript.*

Essay: *Attach a description of your background, your personal and educational achievements, along with your interests and/or activities. Share your goals and aspirations and tell how this scholarship will be used to achieve them. Be sure to address the listed considerations.*

- *Return the completed application to one of the individuals listed below no later than **MAY 7, 2009**.*
- *All applicants are required to be interviewed by the Scholarship Committee.*
- *Applicants will be contacted for this interview tentatively set for **MAY 14, 2009**.*

Foothills Scholarship Committee:

Carol Stoll
16221 E. Lincoln Rd.
Spokane, WA 99217
Phone: 926-2944

Mike Britton
13502 N. Forker Road
Spokane, WA 99217-9640
Phone: 922-1494

UPCOMING FRA EVENTS

Subject to change. For current info go to:
www.ruralspokane.com

2009 EVENTS:

Tentative dates

- May 7** • Scholarship Applications Deadline
- May 14** • Scholarship Interviews
- June 20** • Fun/Run Walk & Pancake Breakfast
- July 11** • BBQ with FFFF
- Sept 19** • Founders Day Potluck
- Oct 31** • Chili Feed/ Harvest Party
- Dec 4** • Family Christmas Party
- Dec 11** • Fire Engine Santa

MEMBERS ONLY CLASSIFIED ADS

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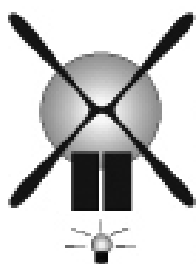
Email your ad information to kim@bcicreative.com

NOTE: Ad space is limited and ads will be rotated.

NON-MEMBERS: May advertise for a fee - Call 465-9775

YOUTH ADS: Foothills youth ages up to 18 years are welcome to advertise for jobs for Free.

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Babysitter: Dependable and reliable. Own transportation. Call: Alicia 921-2729

FRA MEMBER BUSINESS LISTINGS

Below is a listing of FRA Members' Businesses & Services

- A Protection Home Inspection..... 270-0812
Home inspection services
- Alpine Frames 922-4825
Custom framing & photography
- Anderson Collision..... 924-2748
Auto frame repair & painting
- Animal Care Service..... 465-0602
Pet & livestock sitting boarding and pet photography
- BCi Creative 465-9775
Graphic & web design
- Britton Grader Work..... 879-2789
Private roads & driveways
- Britton Tole & Decorative Painting..... 922-1494
Custom hand painting
- Crews, Scott J. DDS 924-1580
Advanced cosmetic & family dentistry
- EcoEnergy Systems 979-2508
Solar, wind, grid-tie, backup, RV, marine
- Ethan the Handyman, LLC 921-6766
Licensed, bonded and insured
- Jarvis, Gary..... 924-2609
Photography weddings, senior & family portraits and sports
- Knecht, Allison.....921-2729 or 475-7126
Licensed massage therapist
- Melaleuca Products..... 926-1157
Sheri Boorman - The Wellness Company
- Potter, Ashley994-8538 or 927-8532
Piano lessons for ages 6 to adult
- R&R Heating & Air Conditioning 484-1405
Commercial & residential
- Wensleydale Computer Service..... 892-7594
David Fisher - Upgrades, tuning & networking
- West Towing.....Northside: 467-2800 or Valley: 924-0194
Automobile towing services
- Yokes Fresh Markets

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - JANUARY 21, 2009

David Mundt, from the Spokane Noxious Weed board opened the meeting with a presentation on local noxious weeds and held a question and answer period.

A business meeting followed Mr. Mundt's presentation. The annual election was held and re-elected to office are the former board members Rich Krenkel, Holly Weiler, Ali Knecht and Don Tucker. One of the committee members who was rotating out was replaced by Cheryl Britton and Ashley Potter agreed to serve another three years. The meeting ended with a general discussion of the years past events and suggestions of how to increase membership and Foothills residents' participation in 2009.

2008 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Don Tucker, Treasurer

Memberships were below budget by \$320 (119 members from an expected 150 members). The numbers were down \$800 or 40 members, (almost 23%) from 2007. Rents from the Community Center were excellent this year, up \$500 (almost double) from 2007. Rental of the cottage remains, since 2003, FRA's largest source of funds. Gifts totaling \$585, were up almost \$100 from 2007 – way to go community! Other than the addition of purchasing a piano for the center, operating expenditures were held inline nicely and were actually down over \$1,700 from 2007. Even with the \$2,937.63 expenditure on the piano, we were only \$319.42 over the Original Budget, which did not include that line item. Our other two largest expenditures were for the newsletter and scholarships, followed by insurance and utilities. We gave out \$2,000 in scholarships, one for \$250 was returned as unused.

FRA BOARD MEETINGS

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are held at the Community Center and convene at 7:00pm. All Foothills residents are invited to attend.

2009 Board Meeting Dates: April 13, May 11, June 8, Sept. 14, October 12, Nov. 19, and Dec. 14.

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.

A Community Crime Log has been established in an effort to increase community awareness about crime occurring in our area. The crime log will be published in the newsletter. Residents are encouraged to report all crimes to the police. After making a police report, call or email Mitch Roland at 951-9983 or mroland831@air_pipe.com.

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

2009 Board Officers

President	Rich Krenkel	928-6610	rfkrenkel@ptera.net
Vice-President	Holly Weiler	921-8928	hmweiler@yahoo.com
Secretary	Allison Knecht	921-2729	alknecht@wwdb.org
Treasurer	Don Tucker	924-9105	dat@wwdb.com

Board Members:

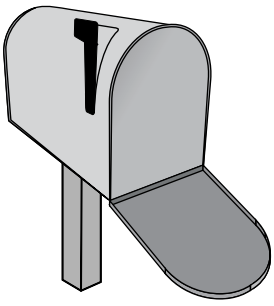
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It is time to renew your membership for 2009. If you have not been a member in the past or have let your membership lapse, we invite you to support your community organization so that we can continue to offer programs for the Foothills area. *Thank you* to those who continue to support FRA!

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

FOOTHILLS RURAL ASSOCIATION
16115 E. Temple Road
Spokane, WA 99217

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

I/we are willing to volunteer for one event during the year _____ YES _____ NO

Thank You for being part of the Foothills Community.

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