

# FOOTHILLS RURAL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## FRA EVENTS CALENDAR

**Spring Clean Up**  
April 8 • 8:30am

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
April 9 • 11:30 am

**Bingo** • April 28 • 7pm

**Scholarship Deadline**  
May 10

**Sustainability Night**  
May 16

**Scholarship Interviews**  
May 19

**Fun Run** • June 10

**Ice Cream Social** • June 29



## EASTER EGG HUNT • SUNDAY APRIL 9TH

Join the FRA for the harbinger of spring, the Annual Easter Egg Hunt! Held each year on the lawn (and sometimes the snow) of the Foothills Community Center, this hunt is fun for all ages - though only kids up to 10 years old get to gather the eggs. Hundreds of colorful candy and surprise filled eggs will be scattered about the grounds, some easy to find, some quite difficult. Among them will be a few glittering golden eggs - redeemable for a special prize!

Kids can also decorate their own unique Easter cookies, beginning at 11:30. The egg hunt begins promptly at 11:45, with a staggered start for kids of different ages. If you don't find enough goodies to satisfy your sweet tooth, or if you are too old for the egg hunt, there will also be a bake sale, with all proceeds to benefit the FRA Scholarship fund (if you wish to donate baked goods for the sale, you can drop them off anytime after 10 a.m. at the Community Center.)



## WELCOME TO A NEW EDITOR

After six years editing this community newsletter, I am stepping down. The next newsletter will be edited by Steve Keig, who has agreed to take up the red pen. I have enjoyed working with all of those involved with the FRA, and with getting to know the community through this newsletter. Thanks to everyone for your support, and thanks to Steve for taking over.

As always, the newsletter is more than the efforts of one person. BCI Creative does the layout and graphics for each newsletter and the Membership Committee keeps the list of current members and residents up to date. Perhaps most importantly, the newsletter relies on you, the members of the community, to provide information on upcoming events and items of interest to your neighbors. If you have a notice, an article, or even just ideas for an article, please let Steve know so he can include it in an upcoming newsletter.

The FRA newsletter email address (fra-newsletter@hotmail.com) will remain valid, and you can contact Steve at 818-7098 or submit articles and questions to him through this address.

The Foothills Newsletter is published 2 - 4 times a year by the Foothills Rural Association. It is mailed to all known resident addresses in the Foothills area. Send address changes to:

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## ANNUAL MEETING AND HISTORY!

Despite some challenging weather, the FRA Annual Meeting filled the community center with people interested in participating in the community and hearing the special presentation.

Stan Wills entertained and educated everyone on the history of the American Flag. Dressed in authentic colonial

garb, Stan shared an incredible wealth of knowledge about how our flag came to be, and the symbolism behind it.

A new slate of officers and two new board members were elected at the meeting. The FRA's new president is Dawn Keig and the new vice-president is Holly Weiler. Karen Feyk was re-elected as Secretary, and Mike Britton has stepped up to fill the position of Treasurer. Many thanks to Don Tucker, who has quietly and effectively served for many years as treasurer. Ali Knecht, whose term on the board ended this year, was elected to fill the open board position vacated by Holly Weiler.

The board welcomes back Roger Potter, who was elected to another open position, and welcome also to new member Jason Kinley who was elected to the other open position. Thanks to all of our new and returning board members for all of the time and effort they volunteer to keep our FRA running smoothly.



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## THE DANGER OF RANGING DOGS

By Mike Britton

Early this month, a doe died an agonizing and unnecessary death at the jaws of neighborhood dogs. The dogs' attack on the defenseless doe was recorded by local landowners, so there is visual evidence of which dogs were there. A Sheriff's Deputy euthanized the suffering animal and tried to determine whose dogs were the culprits. The Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife was contacted. The dog owners could face fines and pay damages to the State and to the landowner who has lost one of his goats.

I was contacted to retrieve the euthanized doe from the area of MacMahan Rd. I serve on the Inland Northwest Wildlife Council's Big Game Recovery Unit. This group of volunteers salvage wildlife meat which is donated to a local charity. My wife and I picked it up, took it to a shed, butchered it, and it was delivered to Union Gospel Mission Monday morning.

Just because we live in the country, residents are not relieved of the responsibility for their dogs. It is illegal in Spokane County to let your animal trespass, endanger people or livestock, or harass, chase, or kill wildlife.

This has been a tough winter for deer. There is little food and it has been covered with deep and crusted snow at times. The fat reserves were exhausted on this doe as they are for all deer this spring. Just the chasing of the deer may cause spontaneous abortions of their fetuses, and the final month of fawn development exacts a heavy physical toll on a doe's body, and many does do not survive the spring before fawns are born.

Dogs in a group are a pack. They can be dangerous and unpredictable. Please keep your pets at home for your dog's safety, wildlife health, and resident's rights to not have a roaming menace trespassing their personal property.

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# 2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

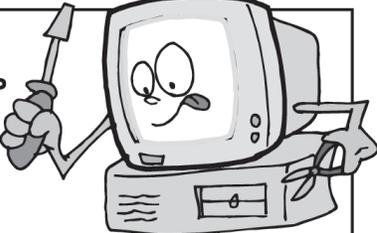
The FRA in conjunction with the Blue Ribbon Circle will again be offering the Jess Kronquist Memorial Scholarship this spring. We estimate that over the years we have awarded over forty thousand dollars of scholarship money to support the continued education of Foothills Rural Association families. This is a unique community-supported tradition, and we would love to help you this year!

The scope of potential applicants is broad. Whatever/wherever you may be studying, if you could use some help with tuition, please consider applying this year. Educational pursuits at any stage of life are eligible for consideration. For example, this might include trade education as well as attendance at more traditional 2- and 4-year academic institutions. The only requirements for eligibility are that the candidate 1) complete the application information accurately and completely and 2) be a resident (based on home address) of the defined Foothills Rural Association boundaries (Fire District 9, Station 96). If you are in doubt of your residency, please consult the map available at [ruralspokane.org](http://ruralspokane.org) and/or contact the Committee chairperson (contact info on the application form) before applying.

The application form is provided on the other side of this page is also posted on the FRA website ([ruralspokane.com](http://ruralspokane.com)). Completed application packets must be received in the mail by Wednesday, May 10th. Applicants will also be required to participate in brief interviews at the Community Center with the Scholarship Committee, tentatively scheduled for the evening of Friday May 19th. Please feel free to direct any questions regarding the application, interview, evaluation, and/or any aspect of this year's process to Dawn Keig at 808-4076 or [dawn.keig@gmail.com](mailto:dawn.keig@gmail.com).

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### Scholarship Eligibility and Administration:

The amount of each scholarship may vary; past scholarships have averaged \$500-\$1,000 each. The scholarship will be applied toward tuition and is paid directly to the recipient's college, university, or other accredited educational institution. Scholarships will be awarded to Foothills residents as determined by the Foothills Rural Association Scholarship Committee.

Consideration will be given to:

- Need and use of the scholarship (as explained in the essay)
- Academic achievements including Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Activities: can include school, community service, FRA participation, work experience, etc.
- Foothills residency (based on home address)
- Completion of the application materials and process as instructed

APPLICANT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT OR GUARDIAN(s), if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Please check here to certify that you are a resident (based on your home address) of the defined Foothills Rural Association boundaries (Fire District 9, Station 96). If you are in doubt of your residency, before applying please consult the map available at [ruralspokane.org](http://ruralspokane.org) and/or contact the Committee chairperson (below).

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

**Essay:** Attach an essay that describes your background and personal and educational achievements, along with your interests and activities. Share your goals and aspirations, and explain how this scholarship will be used to help you achieve them. Finally, please provide a clear explanation of need, being specific re: how you will be paying for your education including other need and/or merit-based scholarships or aid and parent/family assistance. To help the Committee evaluate your application fairly, please be sure to clearly and directly address all of the considerations listed in the bullets above.

### Submission:

- Return all application materials to the Committee chairperson (below) no later than **MAY 10, 2017**.
- Applicants are required to be interviewed by the FRA Scholarship Committee.
- Applicants will be contacted for this interview which will take place on the evening of **MAY 19, 2017**.

**Foothills Scholarship Committee Chairperson:** *Mail your application materials and direct any questions to:*

Dawn Keig  
12316 N. Red Hawk Lane  
Spokane, WA 99217  
Tel: 808-4076

# HAPPENING AROUND THE FOOTHILLS

## VACATION BIBLE CAMP

*A Most Exciting Time! Vacation Bible Camp*

Foothills Community Church

June 26 – 29th, 2017

9:00AM – Noon

A day camp where kids will learn the truth of God's Word as they enjoy songs, crafts, games, goodies and dramas. On line registration begins late May at: [www.foothillsc.net](http://www.foothillsc.net)



## COMMUNITY BBQ

This is the seventh year of this annual BBQ sponsored by Foothills Community Church and the Foothills Rural Association: **June 29, 2017**. A tasty BBQ will be followed with free root beer floats and a performance by the Vacation Bible Camp campers. Also, don't miss the beautiful cars and antique farm equipment that are gathered for the Show-and-Shine event!



## TOPS (*Take Off Pounds Sensibly*)

Open for all Foothills area people and their friends, Mondays at 10 a.m. TOPS is a great weight loss support group! Held in the Christian Education Building. For more information, call Nancy at 926-2156.

Foothills Fiber Art Enthusiasts

Foothills Community Center

First Tuesday of every month • 7-9 p.m.

Next Meeting - Tuesday, April 4

## BINGO

The FRA will be holding its first ever Bingo Night, April 28 at the Community Center. There will be prizes and inexpensive cards for play. For more information, contact Mike Britton at 922-1494.

## INTERESTED IN KNITTING, CROCHETING, FELTING, SPINNING, WEAVING . . . ANYTHING TO DO WITH FIBER.

Open to everyone. This is intended to be a social network and meeting of people in the area interested in these arts. Have fun meeting with others, work on projects in a social environment, share your interests. For more info, please call **Delia Rasmussen, 509-924-5870 or 290-0495**.



## SUSTAINABILITY NIGHT

Join your neighbors May 16 at the Community Center to learn more about recycling, reusing, composting and other techniques for leading a sustainable lifestyle. It's fun, earth friendly, and wallet friendly! For more information, contact Ashley Humbird at 994-8538.



## COMMUNITY CENTER

The quaint old former schoolhouse at the corner of Forker and Burnett Road is not just a scenic landmark for our neighborhood - it is a community gathering spot for many FRA events, and can be reserved for YOUR use for YOUR event. Rental is a bargain for FRA members, and this cute and neighborhood-central location is great for any gathering. If you are looking for a convenient spot for your wedding, reception, graduation party, summer get-together, family reunion, social group, or any event, contact Sherrie Potter at 990-2818 for more information.

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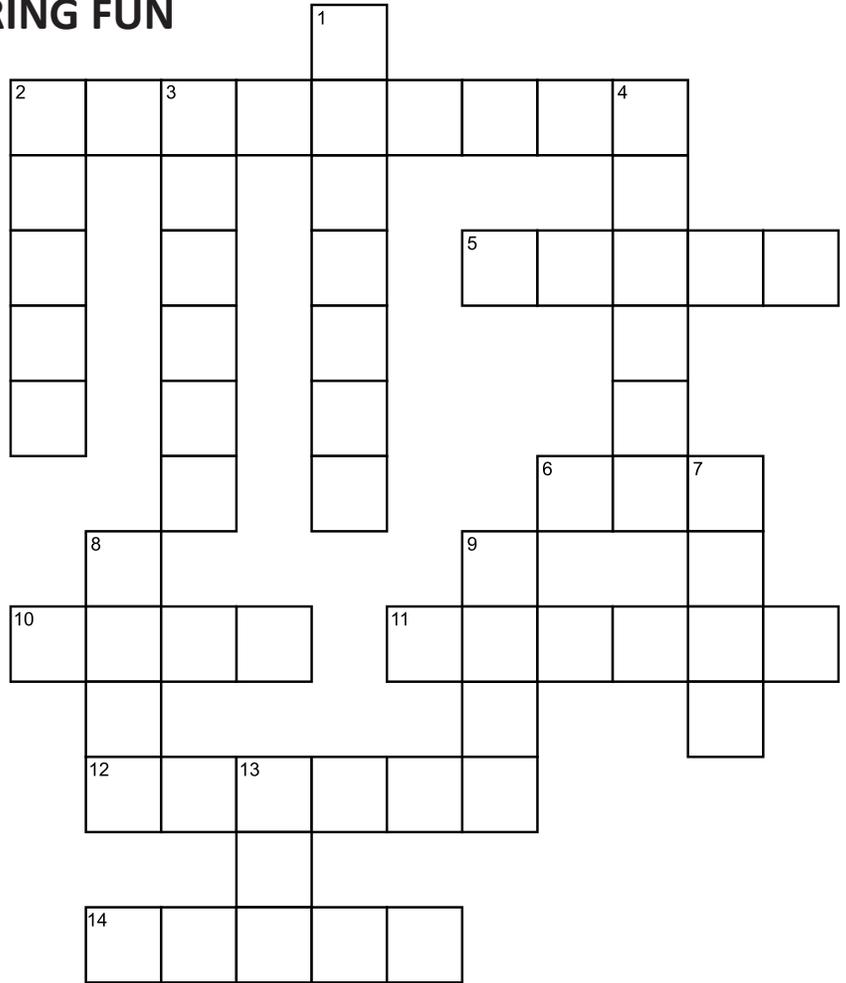
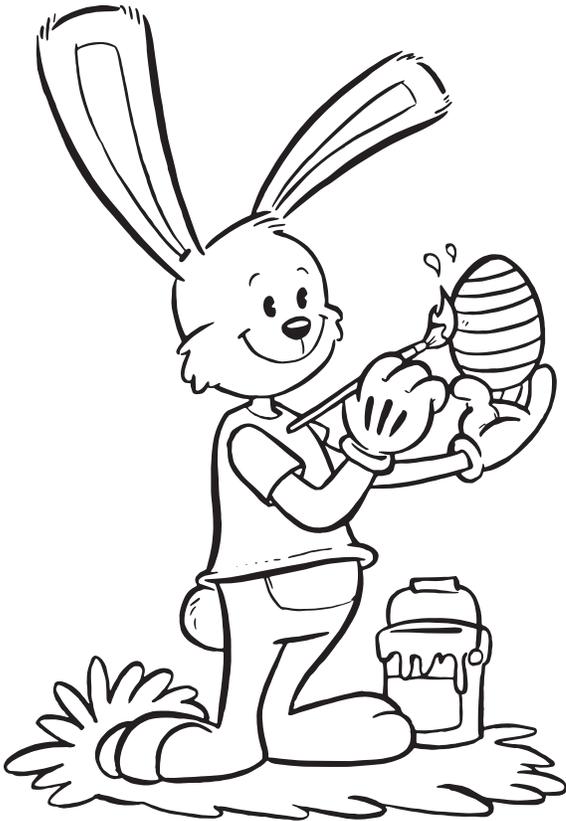
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Station 96 responded to 16 calls from December through the end of February. Seven calls were for emergency medical services and one call was to assist an invalid. One call was for a car accident/extrication and one call was for a water evacuation. Four calls were fire related - one house fire, one outside storage fire, one heat scorching with no fire, and one smoke smell call. There were two false alarms.



# EASTER CROSSWORD & COLORING FUN



## Across

- 2 - A mother duck keeps a close eye on her \_\_\_\_.
- 5 - Easter's month.
- 6 - Which came first, the chicken or the \_\_\_\_?
- 10 - A mother cow gives milk to her \_\_\_\_.
- 11 - Easter is always on this day of the week.
- 12 - Carry your Easter Eggs in a \_\_\_\_.
- 14 - The Easter \_\_\_\_ hops around the world and delivers presents.

## Down

- 1 - April showers bring May \_\_\_\_.
- 2 - Cows give milk for \_\_\_\_ products.
- 3 - A mother hen watches over her baby \_\_\_\_.
- 4 - Easter's season.
- 7 - A baby \_\_\_\_ is called a kid.
- 8 - A baby sheep is called a \_\_\_\_.
- 9 - In the backyard, the kids are having an Easter Egg \_\_\_\_.
- 13 - The \_\_\_\_ warms the earth and brings light to the world.



## FRA MEMBER BUSINESS LISTINGS

2BU Youth Ranch .....	922-1981	<i>Healing through horse training</i>
A Protection Home Inspection .....	270-0812	<i>Home inspection services</i>
All American Home Inspection .....	998-5395	<i>Home inspection services</i>
Alpine Frames .....	922-4825	<i>Custom framing &amp; photography</i>
Anderson Collision .....	924-2748	<i>Unibody &amp; frame repair. Expert painting</i>
BCi Creative .....	465-9775	<i>Graphic &amp; web design, screen printing</i>
Britton, Cheryl .....	922-1494	<i>Tole &amp; decorative painting</i>
Dexter, Ethan .....	921-6766	<i>Music teacher, conductor, guide</i>
Ethan The Handyman .....	994-4378 or 921-6766	<i>Licensed, bonded &amp; insured</i>
Evergreen Powder Coating .....	535-9950	<i>Powder coating &amp; sandblasting</i>
Foothills Suri Alpacas .....	928-0299	<i>Call for a free farm tour</i>
Holly Lane Tree Farm .....	928-5970	<i>Christmas trees &amp; wreaths</i>
Impact Business Products .....	928-8782	<i>Office supplies &amp; cash register supplies</i>
Joel's Lawncare .....	279-5508	<i>Lawncare Services</i>
Knecht, Allison .....	921-2729 or 475-7126	<i>Licensed massage therapist</i>
Kreider's Western Glove .....	926-2946	
Marcinda Kennels .....	928-6662	<i>Pet Care and Boarding</i>
Laura Foster, Mary Kay Consultant .....	953-0602	<i>Independent Beauty Consultant</i>
Melaleuca Products .....	926-1157	<i>Sheri Boorman - The Wellness Company</i>
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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.

**2017 Board Meetings: APRIL 10, MAY 8, JUNE 12**

**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](http://www.ruralspokane.com)  
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### 2016 Board Officers

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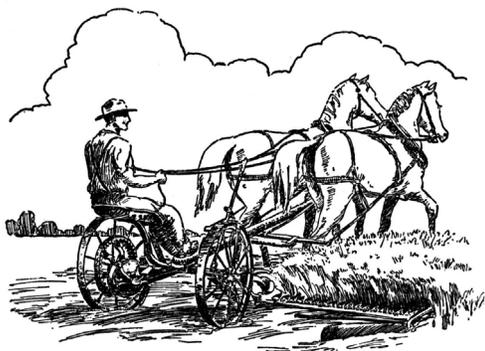
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We are now collecting 2017 dues. Please check your mailing label above - if your label says "Member 2017," you have already paid. If your label does not say "Member" - please join or renew your membership. Your support is essential for this community 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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Interested in receiving notices of FRA events via email?  YES  NO

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

I am/we are willing to volunteer for one event during the year \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

***Thank you for being part of the Foothills Community.***