# **April 2018** ENTRAL POINT

"Our mission is to provide for the safety of our residents, maintain the common property and protect our home values.

# **Point on Association and Business**



### Landscaping for Water Conservation Class

Hidden Grove/Green Valley, along with the Jackson Soil and Water Conservation district will host a water conservation class in the clubhouse on Thursday, April 26 from 6:30PM to 7:30PM. This FREE class hosted by the Jackson Soil & Water Conservation District will cover ways to conserve water and save money on your landscaping. Topics covered include:

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- Lawn alternatives: drought resistant plants and xeriscaping (water-wise landscaping)
- Sprinkler conversion/effective irrigating
- Proper lawn maintenance to save water
- Water pollution prevention

Light refreshments will be served. Attendees will receive a FREE water bottle (while supplies last). Please bring your friends and neighbors.

#### We are Hiring!

Looking for some extra money? HGGV is looking for someone who can help with the pool on weekends and a few weeknights, as well as help with odd jobs around the Association.

We need someone on a part time on an "on call" basis, however we will do our best to schedule times and days that work best for you.

Some of the jobs we need help with include:

- Opening and closing the pool on weekends (stacking and unstacking chairs, cleaning bathrooms 1x/day, picking up pool areas and reading and adjusting as needed the chlorine levels of the pool).
- Checking clubhouse after parties on some weekends when the HOA Manager is out of town.
- Mowing and weeding the front lawns of homes that have been vacant so that they comply with the CC&Rs
- As needed (every 6-12 months), cleaning weeds from the sewer grates throughout the Association.

#### Qualified candidate must pass a background check.

We offer a competitive hourly wage and a bonus will be paid at the end of summer. If you are interested, please call the HOA at 541-664-3996, or email the office at hggv.office@gmail.com.

#### **Board of Directors Meets for March Meeting**

On March 21, the Board met for their March Meeting.

The Board approved all financial reports.

The Board then moved the July Board meeting date to July 11 to accommodate for summer vacations.

The Board also discussed at length whether the HOA should grant non-resident landlords access to any of the amenities. The governing documents of Hidden Grove/Green Valley state that the amenities are for residents. In the past non-resident landlords have been given access

to HOA amenities. The Board voted unanimously to deny non-resident landlords access to any of the amenities. The consensus was that renters are the beneficiaries of the HOA dues. Also, our facilities are not built to withstand use of people in excess of HOA residents and their guests.

In January, the HOA formed a committee to investigate sidewalk and gutter repairs throughout the Association. The committee is waiting for a bid response from contractors to determine how to proceed.

The Board also approved a bid to repair the steps outside the clubhouse. The work has already been completed.

There was also discussion regarding the HOA using volunteers vs. professionals. The consensus was that the HOA would like to use professionals when needed and when we can afford them as well as if we can even find one. Trying to expand a list of interested volunteers might be beneficial. Please contact the HOA office if you are interested in volunteering for the HOA.

#### Next meeting of the Board of Directors will be May 16th at 6:00pm in the clubhouse.

Le gustaría comunicarse con la Junta Directiva en Español? Si es así, tenemos directores que pueden ayudar.



## **Landscaping Maintenance**

Did you know that our CC&Rs state that trees and lawns must be watered and lawns must be mowed, edged and kept free of weeds? Homeowners or residents are responsible for the care and maintenance of their yards at all times, including vacations or periods of absence. With the spring rains upon us, it is important each of us keep the grass, weeds, bushes and trees from getting out of control.



# HIDDEN GROVE GREEN VALLEY **APRIL 2018**

# COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD

# **HAPPENINGS**



## POINT ON THE GOOD HEALTH

## **April is Autism Awareness Month**

Autism is the fastest growing developmental disability in Oregon – and the world. In March, 2014, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued their ADDM autism prevalence report. The report concluded that the prevalence of autism had risen to 1 in every 68 births in the United States – nearly twice as great as the 2004 rate of 1 in 125 – and almost 1 in 54 boys.

According to some studies, Oregon has the highest number of children with autism per capita in the United States.

To highlight the growing need for concern and awareness about Autism, the Autism Society has been celebrating National Autism Awareness Month since the 1970s. The United States recognizes April as a special opportunity for the public to be educated about Autism and issues within the Autism community. The cause of Autism is not known, and there



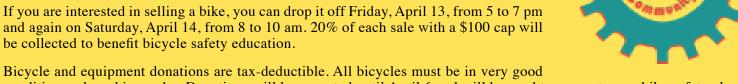
is no cure, however Autism is treatable. Early detection and increased awareness and understanding have greatly improved the lives of all people affected by Autism. For more information on the Autism Spectrum or to learn how you can help those in our community, please visit www.autism-society.org or www.easterseals.com.

# POINT ON THE ROGUE VALLEY

## The 28th Annual Ashland Community Bike Swap

The 28th annual Bike Swap will be held this year on Saturday, April 14 from 12-2 pm at The Grove on 1195 E. Main Street in Ashland. The Bike Swap will provide a community venue for buying and selling working-condition bicycles and related equipment. Proceeds from this event fund bike safety education in the Rogue Valley. If you are interested in purchasing a bike, admission into the swap is \$1 per person.

be collected to benefit bicycle safety education.



condition and working order. Donations will be accepted until April 6 and will be used to support more bike safety classes.

Please contact Lori Ainsworth for more information at 541-522-2264 or visit rvdt.org/bikeswap.

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

# Water Conservation Class in the Clubhouse on 04/26 from 6:30PM to 7:30PM

FREE class hosted by the Jackson Soil & Water Conservation District. Learn ways to conserve water and save money on your landscaping. Light refreshments will be served. Attendees will receive a FREE water bottle (while supplies last).



# POINT ON THE COMMUNITY and THE ROGUE VALLEY 65th Annual Medford Pear Blossom Festival

It is springtime in the Rogue Valley, and for 65 years, one of the biggest and most beloved events of spring has been the Medford Pear Blossom Festival. This year, the festival will take place April 13th and 14th. The street fair will be in their new permanent home, the Medford Commons Park blocks.

The Medford Pear Blossom festivities will also include several runs on the morning of Saturday, April 14th. This year they will also introduce a biking event, the Pedals N Pears which will also take place on Saturday, April 14th.

The annual The Pear A Fare will take place on Friday, April 13th from 3pm to 10pm and Saturday, April 14th from 10am to 5pm. The parade will begin at 11:00 on Saturday, April 14th in downtown Medford.



In 1954, representatives of several Medford groups (including the Fruit Grower's League, Chamber of Commerce, Merchants Association, American Legion and the school district) met to initiate an event during the spring blossom season. They decided to have a children's parade. A five-year-old, Miss Blossom, was chosen to reign over the 10 floats.

There were 100 floats in the parade by 1956, and the festival included a 30-mile tour of the valley's blooming orchards. Since 1957, children have been chosen festival King and Queen. Motorized floats were allowed in the parade in 1964. Pear Blossom Festival parade marshals have included Governor Holmes (1957) and John F. Kennedy (1960).

For more information, visit their website at http://pearblossomparade.org/

# **Hanley Farm Annual Heritage Plant Sale**

The Heritage Plant Sale at Hanley Farm will be Saturday and Sunday, April 28 and 29 from 10AM to 3PM at Hanley Farm on 1053 Hanley Road in Central Point.

This is your chance to bring some history into your garden! Southern Oregon Historical Society volunteers have potted some old-fashioned lilacs, hellebores, columbine, peonies, iris, daylilies, and many more plants, for Hanley Farm's two-day heritage plant sale. This year's sale offers over 50 varieties of herbs, shrubs and perennials. Rose bushes include pink, double, old garden roses; and a yellow rose that appears to be started from the Log Town Rose, brought to the valley by early pioneers. There are even a few pots of green fig trees available for purchase.

A special feature this year is a new Shakespeare garden being grown by Family Nurturing Center at Hanley Farm. Rhonda Nowak will be there to explain how the plantings are found in Shakespeare's plays. The raffle prize this year is a container Shakespeare Garden, ready to be the focal point of your garden.

Other activities include a children's "plant-and-take-home" area and wagon rides. Self-guided garden tours can be taken with brochures provided explaining the family history and unique plantings in the landscape.

In addition, food by the Extension Service Master Food Preservers is available for purchase and the Hanley Mercantile will have special gift items for sale.

Enjoy the day in the beautiful surroundings of historic Hanley Farm. All proceeds benefit the preservation of and public access to the Southern Oregon Historical Society's Hanley Farm.

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# **HIDDEN GROVE & GREEN VALLEY**

# Community and Neighborhood Bulletin Board

# **April Calendar of Events**

04/01 – Easter

04/13-14 – 65th annual Pear Blossom Festival

04/14 – Ashland Community Bike Swap

04/20 – Disney Nature's Dolphins in Theaters

04/22 – Earth Day

04/26 – WATER CONSERVATION

CLASS in the clubhouse

04/27 - Arbor Day

04/28 - 04/29 - Hanley Farm Annual

Heritage Plant Sale

04/29 - Full Moon



We no longer have a set street sweeping schedule with the City of Central Point. Please do you part in keeping our streets looking nice. Also, remember our streets are for parking our cars, not for their storage.



### Sign Up For E-Statements!

Do you check your email every day or two? If so, you are the perfect candidate for E-statements. E-statements are faster than the Post Office, environmentally friendly, minimize paper work and reduce community costs.

Email us at:

hggv.office@gmail to sign up for E-Statements.

# Volunteer Appreciation Week April 15-21



It is difficult to overstate how much this Association relies on the volunteerism of our residents. From the residents who volunteer their time to serve on the Board of Directors; to those who help when we have special projects; to those who make sure that we can adequately communicate what is going on around our neighborhood; to those that help stack chairs and clean the deck in the evenings before the pool closes. We couldn't do half of what we do without the time, expertise and energy so selflessly given by our volunteers.

## **Quote of the Month:**

"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."

-Author Unknown