

THE CENTRAL POINT

COMMUNITY IN FOCUS

Central Point Police and Hidden Grove/Green Valley

Many residents are under the impression, that because our association is considered "private property," most of the time the police have no jurisdiction in our neighborhood and will not respond to calls. Last week, our Board President and HOA Manager met with the City of Central Point Community Services Officer to discuss the role of the City of Central Point Police in our neighborhood.

Beginning with the most obvious, the police can and will respond to any and all calls regarding any person's safety. On any premises open to the public, the police enforce all laws in order to protect people. If there is a true emergency, all residents are reminded to dial 911.

If there is a neighbor to neighbor dispute, the City of Central Point police do have enforcement action. In most cases it is better to contact the police, rather than the HOA. The police are much more skilled at dealing with these disputes, and experience has

proven that getting the HOA involved often makes matters worse.

Regarding barking dogs, the police can and will respond. In fact our CC&R's state that residents are expected to attempt to handle these situations on their own, and only if results are not forthcoming, should the HOA be notified. These matters can usually be sorted out directly between neighbors, but, if not, the police, not the association manager, should be notified.

Other nuisances, including pests that have gotten out of control or the build-up of trash on a resident's property, can also be handled by the police. Our Association cannot easily enforce any CC&R's that are being violated behind people's fences or inside their homes.

Our police department does not have any control in our neighborhood regarding parking or driving violations. They cannot ticket cars that are parked too long, nor can they cannot ticket drivers for speeding. An exception to this is parking in the Fire Lanes and reckless driving. Our manager, however

can ticket cars and have them towed. Please feel free to contact the office if you have any concerns about vehicles parked in our neighborhood.

When to call 911 vs. the regular non-emergency line: As always, ONLY DIAL 911 IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY. There are hefty fines associated with the misuse of the 911 system. The City of Central Point does have a non-emergency line. It is open 24 hours a day. After hours, stay on the line to be connected to dispatch, and they will be more than happy to help you. The City of Central Point non-emergency line is 541-664-5578.

CC&R Corner

Did you know that our CC&R's state that trash, garbage, or other waste materials shall be kept in sanitary receptacles with lids? In Green Valley these receptacles should be stored in the garage or behind fencing, and in Hidden Grove they should be kept to the rear of the carport.

POINT ON ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

Board of Directors Meets

The HOA Board of Directors met on July 15th in the clubhouse to discuss association business.

Many residents have voiced concerns regarding blackberries in the RV area. Carrie presented bids for removal. Each bid was \$600.00. The Board asked Carrie to check on other options including having neighborhood volunteers assist in blackberry removal.

The Board instructed Carrie and Vice President, Suzanne to develop a plan regarding notifying residents whose homes need to be painted. The Board moved that this process shall begin in March, 2014 and allow residents 6 months to paint their homes.

The Board discussed the need for more

trees in the Green Valley Park. Any residents with an opinion regarding these trees are invited to bring all options to Carrie in the clubhouse office.

The Board reviewed items that may need to go into the 2014 budget. Items include sofas for the clubhouse, screens for the tennis courts, crack fill on the streets and furniture for the pool deck and back patio. Carrie will present various costs for these items at the October, 2013 meeting. Residents are welcome to bring any ideas of what else may need to go into the 2014 budget to Carrie in the clubhouse office.

Board agrees to pass resolutions

The Board discussed reviewing our governing documents and agreed on a policy that should simplify things. The Board moved changes to procedure will be made in the form of resolutions, rather

than just making note of changes in the meeting minutes. Copies of resolutions will be kept in the clubhouse office for all residents to review. All resolutions shall be numbered according to the year and month they are passed.

The Board then passed resolution 2013.07.01:

Resolution 2013.07.01: For residents that leave their trash cans in unapproved areas there shall be one 10 day notification followed by a \$10.00 fine every time a can is out on the Monday following trash pick-up. After 6 \$10.00 fines, the fine shall be \$20.00 per offense.

Next meeting of the Board of Directors is October 21 at 7:00 in the clubhouse office.

POINT ON THE
COMMUNITY

Association Crime Stoppers

Everyone wants a safe place to call home, and while our association is diligent in our efforts to reduce dangers in our community, it's up to everyone to pitch in to keep our neighborhood safe.

Know Your Neighbors: Not just the neighbors on your block, but neighbors from all parts of the association. You'll get a better idea of who actually lives (and in turn, who belongs) here. Talking with your neighbors will also give you the chance to find out if they have noticed any crimes or suspicious activity.

Leave The Light On: Make sure your front porch light stays on all night, even when you're out of town. Not only does it signal that someone's home, it also makes it harder for vandals to hide among the shadows.

Put On Your Walking Shoes: Take time to casually patrol the community for anything suspicious or unusual. When more residents regularly walk around the neighborhood, it helps scare off hooligans who are afraid of getting caught in the act.

Clean It Up. Picking up litter and keeping trees, bushes and lawns trimmed not only makes the neighborhood look better, it also sends the message that our residents are diligent about keeping the neighborhood a respectable place to live.

See Something, Say Something. If you notice a crime or a suspicious activity, regardless of how small the incident may seem, notify office and the police immediately. Of course, only call 911 if it is an emergency; otherwise, contact the Central Point Police on their non-emergency line at 541-664-5578.

POINT ON THE
ROGUE VALLEY

Stand up Paddleboarding – A Great Activity for the Rogue Valley

The fast-growing sport of stand up paddleboarding (SUP) is a fun, easy way to go play on the water. With a minimum of equipment, you can paddle anything from ocean surf to lakes and rivers—no waves required. The Rogue River and all of the lakes surrounding Central Point, offer a great place to try out this new recreational activity.

Even though paddleboards look like oversized surfboards, you don't need waves in order to enjoy this self-propelled sport. In fact, flat, calm water that's free of obstacles is preferred for building your paddleboard skills.

Paddleboarding offers an amazing full body workout and is becoming a favorite cross-training activity for skiers, snowboarders and other athletes. And since you're standing at your full height, you'll enjoy excellent views of everything from sea creatures to what's on the horizon. It's almost like walking on water.

POINT ON
GOOD HEALTH

Tap Water – Turn it on

As one of six essential nutrients, water is necessary for survival. Drinking it from disposable plastic bottles may not be the best idea. A better choice for your personal health, and the health of the environment, is to drink tap water.

Better for Your Health

Tap water might be healthier than bottled water because it is more highly regulated and monitored for quality. A stainless steel water bottle is safer and more durable choice for portable water when you're away from a faucet. For more information about our community's water source, visit the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's website at

<http://water.epa.gov/drink/local>

Better for the Environment

Manufacturing, transporting and disposing of plastic water bottles adds to our carbon footprint in a big way. Enough oil is used annually to manufacture plastic water bottles to fuel one million cars for a year. It also takes three times the amount of water a plastic bottle actually holds to manufacture the bottle itself.



August Calendar of Events

- 08/09 – Elysium in Theaters
- 08/10 – Sandcastle Contest, Lincoln City
- 08/11-08/12 – Perseids Meteor Shower
- 08/16-08/18 – 25th Annual Sutherlin Blackberry Festival
- 08/20 – Full Moon
- 08/27 – Chris Isaak performs at the Britt Festivals
- 08/31-09/01 – Sunfest Wine Festival, Sunriver OR

Rogue Valley in the Summer

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