

THE CENTRAL POINT

COMMUNITY IN FOCUS

Hidden Grove/Green Valley Crack Seal & Seal Coat Project

The Hidden Grove/Green Valley Board of Directors has selected a contractor to perform crack seal and seal coat on our neighborhood streets.

The schedule for the crack seal and seal coat will be posted as soon as it is set. Please keep your eyes out for the schedules at the mail boxes, at homes and on cars.

Once the crack seal and seal coat is applied the street will continue to be off limits for 24 hours so the seal coat can "cure".

4 days before the project begins on your street, notices will be placed on cars parked on the street. Unless plans are made with the office ahead of time, any cars still on the street the evening before the scheduled time will be towed at the owner's expense.

Please make arrangements for your vehicle the night before the seal coat starts on your street. If you have to go to work or need to be somewhere on the day your street is going to be off limits, please park on another street that is not going to be blocked off and use the sidewalks.

For 24 hours, the following conditions must be met for this project to be completed.

1. No parking of any vehicles on the road.
2. No bicycling or driving on the roads.

3. No walking on the roads (this includes pets)
4. No water usage outside for 24 hours before and 24 hours after seal coat has been applied. **Please make sure sprinkler timers are turned off.**
5. Sidewalks will need to be kept clear.

Please inform your family members and guests about what needs to happen.

This project is costing the association a lot of money and we are hoping that everyone helps make this project go smoothly.

What is a seal coat?

A seal coat is a preventive maintenance surface treatment designed to preserve and extend the life of a street. It protects an aging pavement surface and seals small cracks to keep water out of the pavement. Proper preventive maintenance, including seal coating, can help ensure that the existing pavement structure will last for many decades.

Our streets appear to be in good shape. Why do they need to be seal coated?

As streets age, they become brittle, causing cracks to form and allowing water to penetrate into the pavement. While the old surface appears smooth, it contains hairline cracks that if not treated will continue to widen and deepen. At first, this aging process is slow, but after 9 to 10 years the process accelerates as cracks widen and allow more water to enter at more locations. The sealcoat process is applied to streets before they become badly cracked to stop the oxidation and slow the cracking

process. A sealcoat can substantially extend the life of a street.

How often do you need to do seal coat maintenance?

Seal coat and crack seal maintenance is often performed on a 5 year basis. If the association performs this preventive maintenance on a routine basis, our streets could last for many decades.

Why not pave the street with material like the one we already have?

What is the difference in cost?

The cost to resurface an existing road using a standard overlay is 5 to 6 times more expensive than resurfacing a road with a seal coat.

Should the roads not be resurfaced at all, they will continue to degrade and there comes a point when resurfacing maintenance is no longer effective and the road would need to be rebuilt. The cost to rebuild a road is 10 - 15 times greater than the cost of seal coating.

New Pool Hours

Beginning August 5, 2015 our pool will be opening at 11:00am on Wednesdays. This will give the pool maintenance man adequate time to perform his weekly duties and administer chemicals. This will also give all the chemicals time to do what they need to do without running the risk of harming any swimmers.

POINT ON ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

The Board of Directors Met on July 15 for Quarterly Meeting

Although the Board of Directors met on July 15th for their quarterly meeting, a quorum was not present, so no business was conducted.

The president called for a special meeting of

the Board of Directors on July 22, 2015. She specifically called for a special meeting because the Board needed to proceed with the crack seal and seal coat of the association streets.

At the special meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board voted to accept one of three bids for the crack seal and seal coat project. Details

about scheduling will follow once the schedule is set. Keep an eye out for flyers, door hangers and notices on cars for the schedule.

Next meeting of the Board of Directors will be Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 6:00pm in the clubhouse.

POINT ON THE COMMUNITY

City of Central Point Working on Improving City Parks

From the City of Central Point Recreation Guide.

Like the old adage, “slow and steady wins the race,” sometimes slow and steady gets us where we need to go – just not as fast as we’d sometimes like. In Central Point Parks and Recreation, we are beginning the steady approach to improving the safety of our park facilities. We will be doing some work this year, some the next, to slowly but surely improve the facilities and recreation opportunities for our citizens. The most recent example of this is the improvements we are making to Van Horn Park. In the coming years there will be more parks needing renovation as equipment ages and replacement parts become obsolete some examples are:

- Playground replacement at Willie Mott Park
- LED lighting upgrades at most parks
- Additional playground replacements and repairs at Pfaff, Don Jones and Forest Glen Parks

We will continue the process of installing new playground equipment at our older city parks at a slow and steady pace. While this approach to upgrading our facilities requires patience, it keeps us within our budget and it gets us where

we want to go eventually. The bottom line in all our equipment placement is recreational opportunities for neighborhoods in Central Point. Here at Parks and Recreation, we have made a steadfast commitment to improving our facilities. We hope you’ll make a steadfast commitment of your own – to use our recreation facilities and stay fit, healthy and happy.

Jennifer Boardman, Manager
Parks and Recreation Department

POINT ON THE ROGUE VALLEY

The Night Sky and the Perseid Meteor Showers

In the Northern hemisphere, the Perseid meteor showers are considered the year’s best. This year they run between July 17th and August 24th, with their peak around August 9th – August 13th. With a new moon occurring on August 14, conditions should be excellent this year to get outside and view the Perseids.

The meteor shower comes from the debris trail of Comet Swift-Tuttle, causing as many as 60 to 100 of meteors to streak across the sky per hour in a dark sky.

In order to get the most of the showers, find an open location away from bright city lights and other light pollution. Bring something comfortable to sit or lie down on, and let the night skies do the rest.

POINT ON THE 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

- 08/03-08/05 – Office Closed
- 08/05 – New Pool Hours for Wednesdays (11am-9pm)
- 08/07 – Fantastic Four in theaters
- 08/08 – Crater Lake Rim Run
- 08/13 – Street Sweeping
- 08/27 – Street Sweeping
- 08/29 – Full Moon
- 08/30 – Vince Gill at the Britt Festivals



Board Member Wanted

We’re looking for a talented & conscientious volunteer board member to help lead and strengthen our association. If have an interest in making our neighborhood an even better place to live, please contact the office.