

THE CENTRAL POINT

COMMUNITY IN FOCUS

Kill the Weeds, Spare the Grass

As temperatures warm, thoughts turn to barbecues and picnics on the lawn - and that means doing some yard maintenance. Also, our CC&R's require that our lawns be maintained and kept free of weeds.

Choose the best herbicide to kill the weeds. Most herbicides fall into two categories: selective and non-selective. You'll need a selective herbicide to kill the weeds in established lawns or on small patches around trees, shrubs and flower beds.

Choose a non-selective herbicide for large jobs or where you don't want any plants to grow, like on concrete and brick walkways, driveways, patios and around fences.

Once you have the weeds under control, keep these tips in mind to maintain a beautiful lawn.

Water: Watering is perhaps the most crucial element in growing beautiful grass. Most grass requires only 1/10" of water per day. The best time to water a lawn is between 5 am and 10 am.

Fertilize: Just like any other living organism, grass needs food. Proper fertilization ensures

a healthy, dense lawn. Plan on feeding your grass twice a year - once in the spring and once in the fall. If the weather is hot, wait until it cools before fertilizing. Never fertilize a dry lawn and always water well after.

Mow: Mowing on a higher setting can help provide for a deeper root system and can cut down on weeds.

HG/GV Pool Opens for Season on May 23th

On those sweltering hot summer days, where do you go? To the HG/GV HOA pool - where all residents are welcome and the entire family can have fun.

The HG/GV HOA Pool will open for the season on Friday May 23th at 9:00am. The pool will open seven days a week from 9:00am to 9:00pm throughout the summer. Access to the pool is with your grey fob. If you do not have your fob, please stop by the office so that we can get you set up.

Also, please take note the pool rules which are posted at the gate and inside the pool area. Please make sure your kids and guests are aware of and follow these rules.

We would like to remind everyone that only residents and guests are allowed to use the pool.

If you encounter someone on the clubhouse patio who asks you to let them in, you should tell them that your key fob is for you and your guests only. If they claim they left their fob at home, there is nothing wrong with telling them they should go home and get it. Often these people are not residents.

CC&R's Corner - Speed Limit

Did you know that our CC&R's state that the speed limit in our subdivision is 10 miles per hour? This covenant was written to keep our neighborhood safe for everyone, especially pedestrians and children. Although it may be tempting to zoom up the street on your way home from work, please keep in mind that as the weather gets warmer, kids are more likely to be outside playing - and please...



**GIVE 'EM A BRAKE &
SLOW DOWN!**

POINT ON ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

The Board of Directors Met on April 28th for Quarterly Meeting

Most of the meeting was to keep the directors and residents apprised about what has been going on around the association. The board learned that the residents did not show much interest in a community garden, so that motion has been tabled.

The board then discussed new business which included the possibility of making Nadia a one way street in order to cut down congestion, moving the fire lane on Walnut Grove, lighting the open space along Green Valley Way and laying gravel in the storage area and RV parking area. The cost of each of these ideas will be investigated during the 2nd quarter and presented to the board at the July Meeting.

Resolutions of the Board of Directors:

Although the language is in the process of being finalized, the board passed two resolutions.

The first resolution is in regards to residents storing, rather than parking, cars on the street. If the association receives complaints that a car is being stored on the street, the manager shall observe the car. If it is not moved for 2 weeks following the date of complaint, a tow sticker will be placed on the car, and it will be towed pursuant to ORS.

The board then resolved to clarify the timeline for non-compliances and fines. When a property is out of compliance with the CC&R's, the office will send notice allowing 30 days for the property to get into compliance. If the property is not brought into compliance, or if

the property again goes out of compliance, the office will send a 15 day notice. After the 15 day notice if the property continues to be out of compliance, or if it is brought into compliance, but again goes out of compliance, the office will then issue a fine for the non-compliance. The fine may be assessed monthly for as long as the property stays out of compliance, or the fine may be issued every time the property goes out of compliance. An exception to the resolution shall be for front lights.

The board scheduled the July and October meetings for July 28th and October 27th at 6:00pm in the clubhouse.

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HIDDEN GROVE & GREEN VALLEY

COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD

POINT ON THE COMMUNITY

Time to Toss Your Toxins

Friday, May 2nd and Saturday May 3rd mark Rogue Disposal's household hazardous waste drop-off event at the Rogue Transfer Station at 8001 Table Rock Road. For the minimum charge of \$5.00 you can drop off up to a cubic yard of hazardous waste. That is equal to a volume of six 32-gallon trash cans.

According to the EPA, leftover household products such as paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides, or products that contain corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive ingredients are considered to be household hazardous waste and require special care during disposal.

Improper disposal of household hazardous waste can include pouring them down the drain, on the ground, into storm sewers, or in some cases putting them out with the trash. The dangers of such disposal methods might not be immediately obvious, but improper disposal of these wastes can pollute the environment and pose a threat to human health.

Rogue Disposal will be accepting cleaning supplies such as window cleaners, drain cleaners, bathroom cleaners and any product containing bleach or ammonia. They will also be accepting old pesticides, weed killers, paint removers, batteries and thermostats containing mercury.

NO HOUSEHOLD PAINT - Rogue Disposal will not be accepting latex or oil-based paint at this event. The State of Oregon has become the first state in the nation to enact a law requiring paint manufacturers to safely manage leftover latex and oil-based paints. There are a few local paint stores available to accept paint year round. Go to www.paintcare.org to find a participating paint store.

POINT ON THE ROGUE VALLEY

Fishing in Southern Oregon

Some of the best fishing in the state lies just outside our doors. There is a wide range of rivers and lakes filled with diverse species of fish to choose from.

Diamond Lake

Often called the Jewel of the Cascades, Diamond Lake has outstanding fishing in a spectacular setting. The lake is stocked regularly with rainbow trout and has some of the best fishing in April and May. Fishing tips: trolling with a variety of spinners and lures is effective. When anchored near Silent Creek or Lake Creek, use flies (woolly-buggers, black ants) or PowerBait. The best boat fishing is on the south end of the lake near Silent Creek and on the north end in deep water areas. There is good bank fishing near the resort, near Lake Creek, and throughout the US Forest Service campgrounds.

Denman Wildlife Area Ponds

Just minutes away, the Denman Wildlife Area offers excellent fishing for warmwater species such as largemouth bass, bluegill, black crappie, brown bullhead and common carp. Fishing tips: All lake-fishing techniques can be effective. Largemouth bass will strike surface or shallow running lures fished around cover as the water warms in the spring.

Rogue River above Lost Creek Reservoir

The Rogue River above Lost Creek Reservoir is stocked with rainbow trout weekly between Memorial Day and Labor Day, so it may be best to wait until the end of May to grab your fishing pole and head up Highway 62. Fishing tips: focus on campgrounds and other public access sites where trout are stocked. Use light gear to fish with night crawlers, salmon eggs, small spinners or flies.

POINT ON GOOD HEALTH

Myths About Lyme Disease

May is recognized nationally as Lyme disease awareness month because of the increased risk as people start spending more time outdoors, and as immature ticks emerge. While many people know something about Lyme, there are many common misconceptions.

MYTH 1: Lyme is an East Coast disease

FACT: Lyme disease has been reported in all 50 states and on every continent. It is the fastest growing epidemic in the US.

MYTH 2: Lyme is hard to catch

FACT: The poppy seed-sized immature tick, or nymph, is so small that you may not feel the bite. Nymphs live in leaf litter in backyards, parks, and forests.

MYTH 3: Lyme is easy to diagnose

FACT: The classic bull's-eye rash occurs in less than 10% of cases. Surveys have found that the average patient waited over four years, seeing multiple doctors, before being diagnosed.

MYTH 5: Lyme symptoms are merely like the normal aches and pains of daily life

FACT: Lyme disease mainly affects muscles, joints, nerves, the brain and heart. Almost 90% of survey respondents had to cut back on work, school and household activities.

MYTH 6: My regular doctor can take care of me

FACT: Most of the people surveyed reported difficulty finding a knowledgeable physician to treat them. More than half traveled over 100 miles or out of state to obtain care.

Because Lyme disease can sometimes be difficult to diagnose, and not all people react in the same way, it's important for anyone spending time outdoors to be vigilant about ticks.

May Calendar of Events

05/02 & 05/03 – Toss Your Toxins
05/03 – City Wide Yard Sale
05/08 – Street Sweeping
05/11 – Mother's Day
05/14 – Full Moon
05/16 – **Godzilla** in Theaters
05/22 – Street Sweeping
05/23 – **Pool** Opens
05/26 – Memorial Day (office closed)

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