

# THE CENTRAL 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

Hidden Grove & Green Valley

July 2018



### 4th of July Cleanup on July 5th

Each Independence Day many residents have wonderful street celebrations. It is one of the great things about living in Hidden Grove/Green Valley. Our streets fill up with neighbors, families and friends who light fireworks, eat hotdogs and enjoy each other's company.

July 5th is often a day where residents are out in the street in front of their home yielding a push broom in order to clean up from the prior evening's festivities. We're sure everyone appreciates having clean streets after such a fun celebration.

This is just a friendly reminder to all residents to please clean up their streets so they aren't littered with fire crackers, paper plates or other refuse from the 4th of July celebrations.

### Curb Appeal Checklist

The curb appeal of our community depends on each resident maintaining their property as completely as possible. For those who keep their homes and yards well maintained, the Association thanks you for your efforts and good examples. We encourage all residents to pay attention to the following maintenance items.

- **Exterior paint:** Paint is a quick and easy way to keep your property looking fresh, new and clean. It will also protect against corrosion and weathering.
- **Landscaping:** Landscaping is vital to our community's curb appeal. Please keep shrubs properly pruned and flowers well-tended. Keep yards free of leaves, weeds, dead branches and grass clippings.
- **Carpports, driveways and sidewalks:** Please repair cracks, pitted or flaking surfaces and other concrete problems. Remove weeds from sidewalk joints and debris from driveways and sidewalks. Do not use driveways for storage or auto repairs.
- **Gutters and downspouts:** Please keep them cleaned out to prevent overflowing and flooding.
- **Porches:** Please replace worn or damaged fixtures, check fittings for stability and paint all items at least bi-annually.

Thanks for keeping our community looking sharp.

### Why We Contract for Professional Landscaping

Maintaining the estimated 3 acres of common areas is one of the Board's most basic responsibilities. To fulfill that responsibility, the Board has contracted with a professional landscaping company. Before signing the contract, the Board sought bids from several potential companies, carefully considered the competence and expertise of each company, checked references, and compared fees.

These fees may seem like an added—or even unnecessary—expense; but, in the long run, the additional cost will be less than the losses we would face without professional help. Consider the advantages:

**Professional Expertise:** It takes more than a green thumb to maintain attractive and functional landscaping. Our contractor employs

professional staff and trained labor crews. This expertise translates into a cost-effective and successful landscape maintenance program for our community.

**Bulk Purchase Savings:** Our landscape contractor purchases supplies in bulk quantities at reduced prices and passes the savings along to us.

**No Equipment to Buy or Maintain:** The Association doesn't have to purchase, store, insure, maintain, or buy fuel for equipment.

**Improved Plant Survival:** Trees, turf, shrubs, and other plantings are costly. Without proper care, they don't survive, especially immediately after installation. The landscaper guarantees newly planted shrubs and trees, so we don't have to pay for replacing dead plants.

**Reduced Liability:** The Association's landscape contractor is properly insured and knowledgeable about—and in compliance with—all local and federal environmental requirements and safety regulations. Our contract shifts responsibility to the contractor and reduces the Association's liability.

Landscaping is important to the community's quality of life and its image and value. Maintaining it can be expensive. Is it worth what the Association pays for these services? Yes! In fact, failing to invest in professional landscape maintenance is a false economy because curb appeal makes our neighborhood desirable and contributes to the value of our individual homes.

### Carol Rosenberg Appointed to the President of the HOA Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is happy to let everyone know that they appointed Carol Rosenberg to the position of President of the Board. Carol has lived in our HOA since 2001 and has served on our Board for several years. We look forward to having Carol lead the Board and continue the good work she has done for us. Welcome madam President!

**Next meeting of the Board of Directors will be July 11th at 6:00pm in the clubhouse**

**Keeping Lawns Looking Nice.** Did you know that our CC&Rs require that lawns stay maintained? They specifically state: "Trees and lawns must be watered and lawns must be mowed, edged and kept free of weeds. Trees and shrubs must not obstruct signs or block roads or sidewalks. Yard areas must be kept free of weeds, clutter and debris. The Lot owner will be responsible for the care and maintenance of the Lot at all times, including vacation or periods of absence. Adequate water shall be applied to maintain the landscaping in an appropriate manner."

### Open Board Position

Have you ever wanted to participate in the governance of our Association? Come be involved in our neighborhood and community! There is an open position on the HGGV Board of Directors. Please contact the office in writing by July 5th if interested.



## POINT ON THE GOOD HEALTH

### Firework Safety

As the 4th of July approaches, many of us choose to celebrate our independence by attending a professional fireworks display. To those who choose to use retail consumer fireworks, we want to remind you to only use legal fireworks and know how to use them safely. Every year in Oregon, celebrations turn to tragedy due to fireworks injuries or fires. Most of the injuries were from using illegal mortars and legal sparklers. Over the past five years, fireworks-caused fires were responsible for more than \$3.5 million in property loss. If you choose to use Oregon legal fireworks, the best way to protect your family and property is to "Keep it Legal and Keep it Safe!"

#### Fireworks Safety - Promote & Practice the "4 BE'S"

**BE PREPARED:** Store fireworks out of children's reach. Always read and follow label directions. Place pets indoors; they are easily frightened by fireworks. Always have water handy (a garden hose or a bucket of water)

**BE SAFE:** An adult should always light fireworks. Light only one firework at a time & move away quickly. Keep children a safe distance from fireworks. Do not throw fireworks or hold them in your hand

**BE RESPONSIBLE:** Soak used fireworks thoroughly in a bucket of water. Dispose of used fireworks & debris properly. Never re-light "dud" fireworks. Wait 15-20 minutes then soak it in a bucket of water

**BE AWARE:** Use only legal firework and use them only in legal places. Fireworks are prohibited on all beaches, state parks, & state or federal forest lands



## POINT ON THE COMMUNITY

### Movies in the Park

Come join the City of Central Point on Friday nights for movies in the Park!

Schedule of Events

#### Twin Creeks Park

July 13th, 20th, and 27th

Movie at Dusk; Food, Games, and Entertainment.

#### Pfaff Park

August 3rd, 10th, and 17th

Music is from 6pm - 8pm, Movies Start at Dusk; Food, Games and Entertainment.

In addition to the movies, food vendors will be on hand for food purchases, and there will also games and contests.

For more info go to: <http://www.centralpointoregon.gov/parksrec/page/movies-park>

## POINT ON THE ROGUE VALLEY

### Southern Oregon Kite Festival

BROOKINGS, OREGON – The skies over the kite field at the Port of Brookings-Harbor will be painted with color at the 25th Annual Southern Oregon Kite Festival. The festival will be held July 21-22, 2018, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., on the kite field at the Port of Brookings-Harbor. This free event is one of the most unique kite festivals in the country and fun for all ages.



Since 1993, the Southern Oregon Kite Festival (SOKF) has been one of the premier kite festivals in the United States, bringing some of the most well-known kite fliers and kite makers to perform and display their creations for locals and tourists alike. This invitational event originated as the dream of kite hobbyist Steve O'Brien and as the creation of Larry and Lynn Goodman, former owners of KCRE radio station in Crescent City, California. Beginning in 2001 the Port of Brookings Harbor assumed sponsorship of the festival. In 2006 the kite festival became a non-profit organization managed by a dedicated group of community volunteers.

See more than 30 nationally and internationally renowned kite flyers perform amazing routines choreographed to music. Weekend activities also include free children's kite building workshops and vendors selling eats, treats, and merchandise for the enjoyment of festival attendees. Free parking and free shuttles to the kite festival field are provided.

Unlike at a typical kite festival, the kite fliers enjoy interacting with the crowds and can often be seen walking around the perimeter of the kite field displaying their kites up close to spectators – letting them inspect and sometimes even fly the kites.

Attendees are encouraged to park next to the Chamber of Commerce building at the Port and take the free shuttle to the kite field.

The Southern Oregon Kite Festival is free and fun for everyone. For additional information go to [www.southernoregonkitefestival.com](http://www.southernoregonkitefestival.com)

**Free Admission – Free Parking – Free Shuttle Service**

**Free Kids Kite Making – Delicious Local Food – Gifts & Craft Shops**

**Kite Demonstrations – Kite Auction Banquet – Fun for all ages!**

## FIREWORKS/PARTIES

### Ashland

Ashland's old-timey Fourth of July celebration is small-town Americana at its finest, with a parade that completely takes over the city's downtown area for hundreds of floats showing the best of the community. Ashland's fireworks display will be shot off from the Southern Oregon University softball fields at dark. Viewing is free.

### Red, White and Boom!

Celebrate the 4th of July with a **BOOM!** The annual Red, White and BOOM, held at the Jackson County Fairgrounds, is Medford's old-fashioned 4th of July celebration and the **LARGEST** fireworks show in Southern Oregon. They will have three great local bands to keep the place rockin' all night, as well as a beer garden, a kid's area and so much more. Gates open at 5:00 pm. Admission is **FREE** to everyone, so bring all your friends and family. For more info click on the RED, WHITE and BOOM logo to the right.



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# HIDDEN GROVE & GREEN VALLEY

## Community and Neighborhood Bulletin Board

### July Calendar of Events

**07/04 – Independence Day (Office Closed)**

The annual Red, White and BOOM, held at the Jackson County Fairgrounds, is Medford's old-fashioned 4th of July celebration and the LARGEST fireworks show in Southern Oregon.

07/11 – 07/15 – Jackson County Fair

07/13 – Coco at Twin Creeks Park

07/20 – Wonder Woman at Twin Creeks Park

07/21 – 07/22 – Southern Oregon Kite Festival

07/26 – 07/29 – Country Crossings Music Festival

07/27 – Cars 3 at Twin Creeks Park

07/27 – Full Moon

### 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](mailto:hggv.office@gmail)

To sign up for E-Statements.

### Taking Care of the HG/GV Pool

The pool season is in full swing, and we think that this may be a good time to remind residents of a few things. Having our own neighborhood swimming pool is a luxury that most people envy. It is vital that all of us participate in taking proper care of our swimming pool; otherwise we run the risk of causing severe damage to it.

**NO GLASS PERMITTED.** The signs are quite clear. In fact, there are eight signs that state, "NO GLASS." If glass breaks, it is virtually impossible to clean up every bit of broken glass off the pool deck. The glass that remains is just waiting for a bare foot to pass by.

**BRING AN ADULT.** Oregon Administrative Rules state: "CHILDREN UNDER 14 -- BRING AN ADULT. Non-swimmers and children under 14 years of age need responsible ADULT supervision." **THIS IS THE LAW!**

**SUPERVISE YOUR KIDS AT THE POOL** It only takes a second for even good swimmers to find themselves in a dangerous situation at the pool, so it's vital that kids are supervised by someone who knows the signs of a distressed swimmer.

**GUARD YOUR KEY.** Call the office RIGHT AWAY if your key is lost or stolen.

**PICK UP AFTER YOURSELF AND YOUR GUESTS.**

**POOL HOURS (WEATHER PERMITTING)**

9:00 AM to 9:00 PM daily (Wednesdays 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM) As the days shorten, we will be closing the pool at 8:00 PM



*Those who won our independence believed liberty to be the secret of happiness and courage to be the secret of liberty.*

~LOUIS D. BRANDEIS