

THE

Hidden Grove & Green Valley

May 2018

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



Pool Opening May 25th

In keeping with tradition, HGGV plans on opening the pool for the summer on the Friday before Memorial Day, May 25th. Weather permitting, the pool will be open 9:00AM - 9:00PM every day excluding Wednesday. On Wednesdays, the pool will be open from 11:00AM - 9:00PM. At the beginning of August, when the sun begins to set earlier, we will close the pool at 8:00PM.

Swimming is one of the many joys of summer, and we hope all residents can make good use of our Association pool. While we want to make sure everyone has fun in and around the water, our top priority is safety. To help keep everyone safe and our pool in working order, please take note of the Association pool rules, and follow them.

No Lifeguard on Duty Swim at Your Own Risk

The HGGV pool is for residents and guests of Hidden Grove/Green Valley only. Please make sure that your family and guests do not provide pool access to anybody that is not in your party. If residents provide access to people that do not live here or who are not allowed to use the pool, a fine may be issued and fobs may be deactivated.

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. Broken glass in the water could harm swimmers or destroy our pool pump and filter system. We would have to drain the pool and sweep up all the glass. Since the water could have carried the broken glass all over the pool, the entire pool surface would need to be swept thoroughly, and then refilled. This process would be time consuming and costly.

- **No alcoholic beverages permitted.**
- **No pets.**
- **Do not swim alone.**
- **Any person under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult.**
- **Be considerate: no yelling or other inappropriate behavior.**
- **No running, pushing or other dangerous horse play.**

- **No diving.**
- **Do not prop open gate.**

It is vital that all of us follow the posted rules and participate in taking proper care of our swimming pool. The rules are designed to ensure that everyone has a good time and that the pool facilities do not get damaged.

Don't Forget your Fob! Because the pool, playgrounds and clubhouse are the “crown jewels” of our Association, our Board of Directors came up with a clear access policy which states residents must have a working fob to access these amenities. Please do not grant access to anybody without a fob, or whose fob is not working.

If you forget your fob when you come to the pool, please do not ask anybody to “let you in.” It puts residents into an uncomfortable situation by having to say no or feel guilty if anything happens. Residents who give access to people that are not their guests are subject to fines and be may denied access to amenities.

Use of the pool is a privilege for residents in good standing and their guests. Any resident who exceeds 30 days past due on HOA assessments will have their fob deactivated.

Let's all work together again this year, so that our pool can be enjoyed by everyone for as many days as possible.

New Office Hours

Beginning May 25th, the Clubhouse office will observe new hours. We will be open from 9:00AM to 2:00PM M-F. If you would like to schedule appointments outside of these office hours, please contact the office at 541-664-3996.



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

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 May 9th if interested.



POINT ON THE COMMUNITY

Recycling Tips

By now, all of us have accepted the fact that Rogue Disposal no longer accepts all the things we were used to recycling. Many of us are dealing with excess waste in our garbage bins, and some of us have even gotten (and paid for) a bigger bin.

Some items can still be recycled at the transfer station in White City, such as white office paper and glass. Check out their website for more info. <https://roguedisposal.com/2018-recycling-changes/>

With that said, there are still some recycling options around the Valley.

There is a glass bottle recycling bin behind Ray's Food Place in Central Point.

There is also glass bottle recycling bin in the front parking lot of Ray's Food 4 Less in Medford.

Ashland Recology still accepts all the items we are used to recycling at their recycling center. The recycling center is located at 220 Water Street in Ashland. They accept items including: frozen food boxes; magazines and catalogs; cereal and cracker boxes; opened mail and junk mail; office paper; shredded paper (3" minimum strips); telephone books; gift wrap (nonmetallic); paper bags; aluminum & tin cans; plastic bottles and rigid tubs (yogurt & cottage cheese). It may be a drive, but worth it when considering paying for a larger bin.

All clean and dry plastic bags, packaging, films, wrap, and bubble wrap can be recycled at any store that accepts grocery bag recycling. Check out the specifics at: www.Plasticfilmrecycling.org

Earn an Extra 20% on Bottle and Can Returns

Oregon Bottle Drop Redemption Centers now offer "Bottle Drop Plus" where customers can get 20% more for bottle and can redemptions.

Participating grocers (including Albertsons, Fred Meyer, Safeway and Sherm's Food 4 Less and Thunderbird Market) now have Bottle Drop kiosks. When customers return bottles and cans at the Bottle Drop Centers, a credit can be loaded onto a bottle drop card. Customers can then put their card and a pin number into the kiosk at the grocery and redeem the redemption funds + 20% in the form of a credit to be used on groceries. Visit <https://www.bottledropcenters.com/Rewards> for more information.

Bottle Drop
Plus



Date: Saturday, May 5th, 2018 8 am - 3 pm

Location: Central Point, City Wide

What is the City Wide Yard Sale? In Spring and Fall of every year, the Parks and Recreation Department creates an Official Address List of all reported yard sales happening within Central Point. The list typically has more than 150 addresses and the City fills with shoppers from all over the Rogue Valley!

POINT ON THE GOOD HEALTH

National Bike Month and Bike Safety Tips

May is National Bike Month, sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists. Established in 1956, National Bike Month is a chance to showcase the many benefits of bicycling — and encourage more folks to giving biking a try.

National Bike Month includes an ever-expanding diversity of events in communities nationwide — but the biggest day of the month is Bike to Work Day. In 2018, Bike to Work Week will be May 14-18, with Bike to Work Day on May 18.

The League of American Bicyclists wants everyone, especially children, to be safe while riding bikes in our community, and they recognize children cannot be watched 100% of the time. Here are some steps which could increase their safety when you're not around.

Regularly check equipment. Check bikes for cracks or dents, sharp metal parts or jutting edges. Replace defective equipment and consult a professional for repairs.

Require protective equipment. Scooters, roller blades, bikes and similar equipment cause thousands of injuries every year. Make sure your children are wearing helmets. Buy a helmet your kid thinks is cool and you know is safe, it's worth the extra money if your child is more likely to wear it.



POINT ON THE ROGUE VALLEY

Wonderfall! - Highway of Waterfalls

With up to 42 waterfalls along the way, it is understandable why the Rogue-Umpqua Scenic Byway is called the Highway of Waterfalls. A dedicated tourist could see up to 42 waterfalls on this drive from Roseburg to Central Point. A day trip can provide the opportunity to take in some of the most spectacular waterfalls in Oregon.

Heading east from Roseburg, Highway 138 travels high and deep into the Cascade Mountains. Just past Glide, the waterfall viewing areas begin with Deadline Falls, Susan Creek Falls (wheelchair accessible) and Fall Creek Falls, a tier type waterfall (trail rated difficult).

Further along highway 138 lie four waterfalls with great viewing areas. Toketee Falls is a two tier waterfall with a 40 foot and 80 foot drop. The trail (rated moderate to difficult) meanders through an old growth forest to a sturdy viewing platform. Watson Falls, a 272-foot plunge-type waterfall (the highest in Oregon) can be viewed from the parking lot; however, the trail (rated difficult) provides a breathtaking view.

Continuing towards Central Point, several waterfalls can be viewed along the Rogue River. The Union Creek area has several waterfalls that are not extremely high, but the hiking in the area is beautiful, less difficult and dog-friendly.

Prospect has two waterfalls only a few hundred yards from each other. Mill Creek Falls, a 175-foot-high waterfall, can be viewed from across the Rogue River Canyon. Barr Creek Falls, only a short distance away, is one of Southern Oregon's tallest at 200 feet.

The Rogue-Umpqua Scenic Byway with its waterfalls, old growth forests and hiking trails has something for everyone.



Mill Creek Falls | Prospect, Oregon

HIDDEN GROVE & GREEN VALLEY

Community and Neighborhood Bulletin Board

May Calendar of Events

05/05 – Citywide Yard Sale

05/08 – Kindergarten Round Up at
Jewett Elementary

05/13 – **Mother's Day**

05/14 – 05/18 – Bike to Work Week

05/25 – Pool Opens

05/28 – Memorial Day (Office
Closed)

05/29 – Full Moon



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&Rs 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.



Quote of the Month:

“When your mother asks, ‘Do you want a piece of advice?’ it is a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway.”

-Erma Bombeck