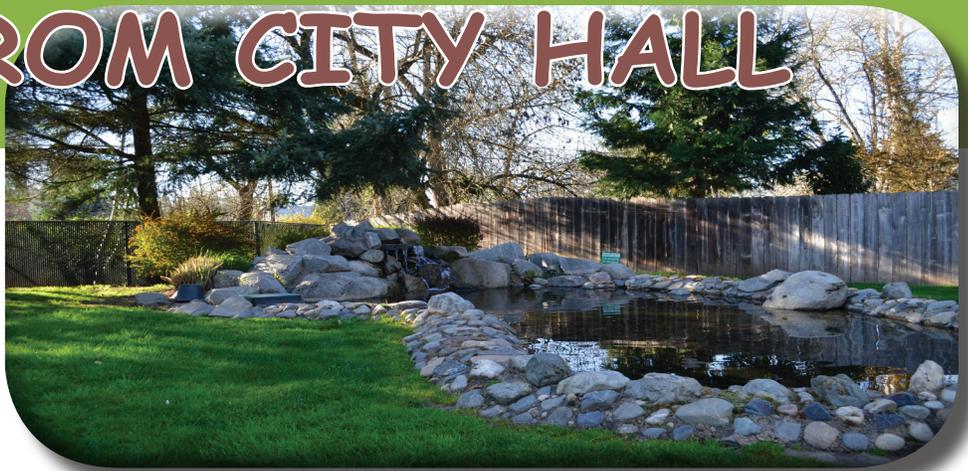


## High Heat Causes Stress in Grass

In case you have ever wondered what kind of grass is used in the Central Point Parks, we have a mix of cool season turf grasses designed for high traffic. These cool season grasses, like fescue, bluegrass and ryegrass, have a completely different growth pattern and weather preference than a typical warm season or Bermuda grass. The cool season varieties like the spring and fall seasons best. These grass types slow down or even stop growing in the coldest weather and also during the hottest season. They do not actually go dormant like Bermuda grass, but they can show signs of stress in extremely hot weather, or even moderately high heat. Many of the brown spots and dryer looking areas in our parks are due to heat stress and, in some cases, the types of grasses that are used– not because



of under watering. We get many calls from residents that are concerned that the grass is not lush and green in the heat of the summer. Due to the types of grasses used in our parks and the extreme heat, you will notice some brown areas, and growth will slow until we get cooler temperatures in the fall.

One collective misconception about maintaining grass in extreme heat is the necessity to overwater. A general rule to keep in mind is that turf grasses do better when managed on the dry side rather than wet. When soil is constantly wet, it creates too many physiological problems for plants and soil organisms alike. The grass roots will be deprived of oxygen and may become more susceptible to disease, because diseases thrive in wet conditions. In general, the drier the grass and soil, the less disease there will be. In wet years we struggle with grass diseases and over watering. It is important to note that heat stressed grasses do not bounce back quicker with more water, and extra water may actually speed the growth of bacterial and fungal diseases that cause the grass to die.



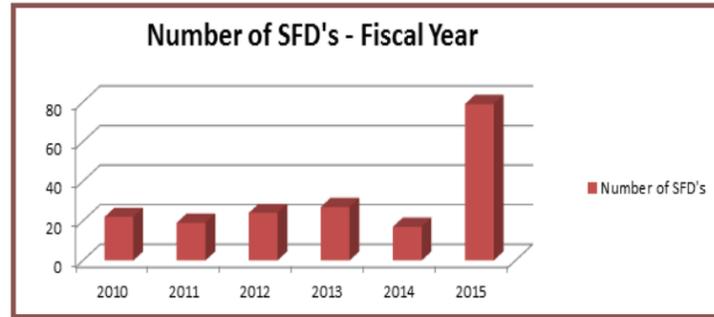
As a side note, and as a good rule-of-thumb, water “deeply and infrequently.” Water deeply to wet the entire root zone, and then do not water again until the grass is dry. To determine the next watering time, simply “eye-it.” If it starts to look dry, then water. If you would like to be more target-specific, water the hot spots (spots that get dry faster than the rest of the lawn) and then wait for the rest of the lawn to dry out. While it is important to be adequate on hydration, do not water the grass daily. Lawns need only one-inch of water per week, including rainfall. We especially do not want to over water during these times of low winter snow pack and lower than normal spring rains. Any way we can reduce wasted water while maintaining the grasses as specified for the type and variety used is a benefit to our whole community.

## Manager's Note:

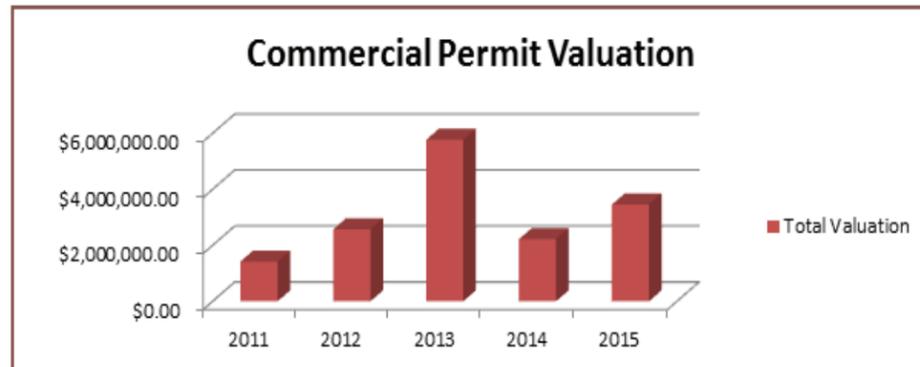
# Building Activity Continues Positive Trend

City of Central Point building permit activity showed significant positive growth during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. With the exception of 2014, when compared with previous fiscal years, residential building activity appears to be trending in a positive direction. The actual single family dwelling (SFD) building permit numbers and valuation are displayed below:

Fiscal Year	Permits Issued	Permit Valuation
2010	22	\$1,404,258.33
2011	19	\$3,087,155.48
2012	24	\$3,770,830.00
2013	27	\$5,001,355.68
2014	17	\$3,778,834.55
2015	79	\$15,682,949.15



In addition to the more than 450% increase in residential growth last year, commercial growth values inside and outside of the City's Urban Renewal District are helping the city's tax base recover from the economic recession. The following represents a recent history of Central Point's commercial building permit valuation:



While still far below the construction/building activity that was seen prior to 2007, these numbers are very encouraging. As always, the City of Central Point remains committed to maintaining a positive relationship with local builders and developers to promote sustainable economic investment in our community. If you or someone you know is interested in starting, growing, or relocating a business in the Rogue Valley, talk with the city's Community Development staff about the mutually beneficial opportunities available in Central Point.



## Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

The CERT program trains and educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area. CERTs train individuals in basic disaster response skills, such as flooding, fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

Using the national CERT training platform, CERT members learn to help themselves, assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following a disaster event when professional responders (Police/Fire) are not immediately available to help.

Central Point CERT is an integral part of the local response and recovery plan for community-wide emergencies and disasters. We work at being prepared to help ourselves, our neighbors, and then our community.

CERT trains also in Defensible Space Fire Protection, structural triage, emergency bridge damage inspection, radiation hazards and so forth. Topics may also include flooding, wildfire, evacuation, earthquake, emergency shelters, and other local disaster activities.

For additional information on the City of Central Point's CERT, please contact:

Bobbie Pomeroy at the Central Point Police Department  
541-664-5578 or [bobbie.pomeroy@centralpointoregon.gov](mailto:bobbie.pomeroy@centralpointoregon.gov)



## Dates to Remember

### August

- 1 - D.A.R.E. Show and Shine
- 4 - Planning Commission (6 pm)
- 13 - City Council Meeting (7 pm)
- 16 - Study Session (6 pm)
- 27 - City Council Meeting (7 pm)

### September

- 1 - Planning Commission (6 pm)
- 7 - Labor Day Holiday (City Hall Closed)
- 10 - City Council Meeting (7 pm)
- 12 - Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting (6:30 pm)
- 12 - Police Department Open House
- 24 - City Council Meeting (7 pm)

Meetings are subject to change, please check our website for more information.

Come join us  
For Friday Night  
Festivals in the  
Park

Police, Parks  
and City Hall all have  
their own Facebook  
Pages

# Friday Night Festival

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## BEAR CREEK PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

Movie starts at Dusk at Twin Creeks Park

**July 31**



**Aug 7**



**Aug 14**



### Twin Creeks Retirement Expansion

Twin Creeks Retirement will be adding 19 cottages to their 120 apartment community. They will also be building a beautiful salt water swimming pool for the residents and seniors in Central Point to attend water aerobics classes. These 19 cottages will be like the “age-friendly” homes that Brett Moore has already built in the Twin Creeks development. Attendees for the ground breaking included Central Point Chamber of Commerce and City of Central Point officials, investors, business leaders, community members and residents.

It is exciting to have this seven year old community grow and offer more seniors the great lifestyle that comes with living at Twin Creeks Retirement. They are an independent living community where the options are limitless, with caring staff, all-inclusive accommodations, spectacular dining and a fun, truly unique atmosphere. This community is locally owned by several Rogue Valley investors who are very involved with making sure this is the retirement living option of choice!



### Central Point Recreation Classes



**Improve Your Pickleball Game (Intermediate Level),** *Wednesdays, August 5 - 26*

This is a class for people who have played some Pickleball and want to improve their game. You will learn greater mastery of the key shots and when to use them, as well as strategies and techniques to take your game to a higher level. We will also introduce the strategies to play singles for those interested.

**Location:** Don Jones Park Tennis Courts      **Ages:** 16 and up  
**Cost:** \$23      **Time:** 9:00 – 10:00 am

**Pickleball for All! (Beginning Level),** *Wednesdays – August 5 - 26*

This is an introductory class that will teach you Pickelball skills, rules, and strategies to allow you to join in the many games in the Rogue Valley or wherever it’s played.

**Location:** Don Jones Park Tennis Courts      **Ages:** 16 and up  
**Cost:** \$34      **Time:** 10:00 – 11:30 am

**Tai Chi in the Park,** *Mondays & Wednesdays, August 3 - 26*



An entry level class set in Pfaff Park provides an introduction to Tai Chi. The class is progressive with each class building upon the previous class to some degree. Experience the health and fitness benefits of this ancient Chinese form of exercise as well as the fun of the group experience.

**Location:** Robert Pfaff Park Bandshell      **Ages:** 16 and up  
**Cost:** \$75      **Time:** 10:00 – 11:00 am

**Ukulele U,** *August 4 - 25*

Want to play music around the campfire, but can’t fit the guitar in with all the camping stuff? Then the uke is for you! Fun to play and easy to learn, the ukulele is the good time, go anywhere stringed instrument. Students will learn all the basics – tuning, chords, reading tab to play the melody of a tune, and cool strumming and finger picking techniques for any music style.

**Location:** Rec A      **Ages:** 12 and up  
**Cost:** \$42      **Time:** 7:00 – 8:00 pm



**Photoshop Elements,** *August 6 - 27*



This course provides an introduction to basic skills using Photoshop Elements. You will learn how to open photos, make various edits and enhancements to them, modify and optimize, re-touch and restore, and to save photos in an appropriate file format. The course also covers related activities such as organizing your photos into folders or with an image organizer program.

**Location:** Computer Classroom      **Ages:** 10 and up  
**Cost:** \$45      **Time:** 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Sign up by calling 541-664-3321 Ext. 130  
 Space is limited

## City Directory

City Manager  
541-423-1026

Building Permits  
541-423-1973

Code Enforcement  
541-423-1034

Community Development  
541-423-1973

Library (Central Point Branch)  
541-664-3228

Police (Non Emergency)  
541-664-5578

Parks and Recreation  
541-664-3321 ext. 130

Public Works  
541-423-1028

Public Works After Hours  
1-800-726-6476

Utility Billing  
541-664-3321 ext. 204

**CALL 911**  
**for Fire, Medical and**  
**Police Emergencies**

City Hall hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm  
Monday – Friday. Feel free to drop in  
with questions, pay a bill, or just say  
“hello”.

## Central Point Police Department Open House

**Come join us! Be our guest!**

Please join us September 12, 2015  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at  
155 South 2nd Street in Central Point.

The Police Department and Jackson County Fire District #3 encourages you to come for exhibits, demonstrations and tours the whole family will enjoy.

The public will be given a rare inside look at what goes on in the Police Department. People of all ages can gain a better understanding of the extensive training and readiness of our police officers, and firemen.



## Contact Your **Council**

email: [info@centralpointoregon.gov](mailto:info@centralpointoregon.gov)



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Council President  
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Michael Quilty  
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503-930-7057



Ward IV  
Allen Broderick  
541-951-7253



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Tanea Browning  
541-890-8377



At-Large  
Rick Samuelson  
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If you are not sure who your representative is call 541-423-1026