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2011 PLUMBING SPECIALTY CODE CHANGES EDUCATION

The State of Oregon renewed its contract with ORPHCC to provide low-cost 2011 Plumbing Code Change education to licensed plumbers. ORPHCC is developing both live classroom seminars across the state and an on-demand online version of the course. Each will cost only \$20. **The online version should be available starting in October and live classes will start in October, too.** More information and a schedule of dates and locations will be available soon.

ANNUAL ORPHCC CONFERENCE (AND GOLF)

ORPHCC's annual conference will be at Salishan on the Oregon Coast. The conference will be Friday, October 28th through Sunday, October 30th. A REGISTRATION PACKET IS ATTACHED TO THIS EMAIL. Please register TODAY and fax the response form to ORPHCC. This is going to be a great event and we guarantee* great weather. (* great weather guarantee is not for a specific time or date, just that there is great weather at Salishan sometimes.)

COLUMBIA (PORTLAND AREA) CHAPTER MEETINGS

The next meeting is Tues, Sept 27th at 6 pm / Wilsonville Holiday Inn. Consolidated is sponsoring a visit by the "Responsible Bathroom" truck & trailer and Jon Niedermeyer will discuss changes in the ORPHCC endorsed health insurance plans. Please join us! The Columbia Chapter meets the 3rd Tues of each month at the Wilsonville Holiday Inn. You do not have to be an ORPHCC member to attend. Cost is \$30 per person. Mark your calendar: Oct. 18, Nov. 15 and Dec. 20, 2011. Terry Swisher is tentatively scheduled to be our guest at the Oct 18th meeting.

WILLAMETTE (SALEM AREA) CHAPTER MEETINGS

The Willamette Chapter met on Sept 13th. Oregon State Chief Plumbing Inspector Terry Swisher was the guest speaker and he provided several timely updates (some of which you will find mentioned below.) The Willamette Chapter meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Rudy's at the Salem Golf Club. You do not have to be an ORPHCC member to attend. Each person pays for their own meal. Mark your calendar: Oct. 11, Nov. 8 and Dec. 13. Sarah Mazze from Green Shares will discuss energy efficiency issues at the Oct 11th meeting.

LOOKING FOR A HVAC PROJECT / Opportunity 291-1583-11

(HVAC REPLACEMENT PROJECT - OREGON STATE PENITENTIARY) may be of interest to you. This opportunity can be found within the ORPIN system <http://orpin.oregon.gov/open.dll/>. The contact for this opportunity is Craig Heilman (OAC). His phone number is: (503)373-7508.

RULEMAKING HEARING ON RESIDENTIAL REACH CODE

A rulemaking hearing has been scheduled on Sept. 21 at 9:30 a.m. at the Building Codes Division. The proposed rules adopt the residential provisions of the Oregon Reach Code, provisions for vegetative roofs for commercial buildings, and amendments to the minimum boiler efficiencies table.

http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/notices/Hearings/2011/081511_ResReachCode_PH.pdf

BCD's MOST RECENT NEWSLETTER

Here is a link to important information from BCD. If you do not receive this email, click on the link at the bottom of the page and sign up. This information is valuable and timely.

http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/bldg_newsletter/index.html

EQC ADOPTS NEW GRAYWATER RULES

On August 25, 2011, the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission approved rules that create a new, statewide program for the permitting of graywater reuse and disposal systems. House Bill 2080, passed by the 2009 Oregon Legislature, directed development and adoption of these rules. DEQ administers the graywater permitting program and

is in the process of developing permits and formalizing the program. DEQ expects to begin issuing permits for graywater reuse and disposal systems in spring 2012.

<http://www.deq.state.or.us/wq/reuse/graywater.htm>

NLRB REQUIRES NEW POSTER BEGINNING IN NOVEMBER

The National Labor Relations Board has issued a Final Rule requiring most private-sector employers to notify employees of their rights under the National Labor Relations Act by posting a notice. Employers should begin posting the notice on November 14, 2011. Copies of the notice will be available on the NLRB website and from NLRB regional offices by October 1. The poster will be free to download. You will not need to purchase a poster for your workplace.

<http://www.nlr.gov/news-media/fact-sheets/final-rule-notification-employee-rights>

EPA ANNOUNCES NEW ENERGY STAR REQUIREMENTS FOR DISHWASHERS & FURNACES

The EPA is updating Energy Star requirements for home dishwashers and furnaces. Effective Jan 20, 2012, standard-sized and compact home dishwashers meeting the new Energy Star requirements will be between 10% and 30% more energy efficient than conventional models, and about 8% more efficient than dishwashers that met the previous Energy Star requirement. Here are links with more information:

More information on Energy Star qualified dishwashers:

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=revisions.residential_dishwashers

More information on Energy Star qualified furnaces:

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=revisions.furnace_spec

UPDATED CONTINUING ED PROVIDER LISTS FOR BOILER LICENSE HOLDERS

http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/Continuing_Education/boilertraining.html#providers

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE NEW CLOSED LOOP GROUND SOURCE HEAT BORING RULES?

The first committee meeting for the group drafting the new rules will meet September 22nd. For more information, email pandiajg@wrd.state.or.us.

ENERGY-EFFICIENCY UPGRADES CAN EARN BONUS INCENTIVES THIS FALL

Energy Trust of Oregon is helping commercial and industrial businesses who may be impacted by changes to Oregon state energy tax credits by providing bonus cash incentives for qualified lighting upgrades and custom capital energy-efficiency improvements. The bonus incentives are for eligible projects completed this year and served by Energy Trust's Existing Buildings, Existing Multifamily or Production Efficiency programs. "Energy Trust was able to use existing budgeted funds for these limited-time bonus incentive offerings. Our goal is to acquire as much cost-effective energy efficiency as we can, and to help businesses continue to invest during a time when they may be affected by state tax credit changes," said Peter West, director of energy programs. "Businesses can start saving right away and begin the year with lower operating costs." For more information:

www.energytrust.org

BOILER RULES RESCHEDULES MEETING

The Board of Boiler Rules has rescheduled its September 13, 2011 meeting date to Tuesday, October 4, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., in Conference Room A. The board will be reviewing and making a recommendation on the 2011 Oregon Boiler and Pressure Vessel Specialty Code.

www.bcd.oregon.gov/boards/boiler/board_pack/2011/20111004/Boiler_091311_rescheduled_letter.pdf

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY ENERGY BOARD MEETING CANCELLED

The Construction Industry Energy Board is cancelling its September 27, 2011 meeting. A notice of all division 2012 board meeting dates will be sent in November.

www.bcd.oregon.gov/boards/energy/board_pack/2011/Energy_cancel_mtg_notice_092711.pdf

OREGON'S OWN MARK HEIZER TO SERVE ON INTERNATIONAL BOARD

Oregonian to serve on international building codes committee

http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/notices/NR_mark_heizer_8_25_11.pdf

VALUABLE INFO AT NATIONAL PHCC WEBSITE

This link will take you to the all-new National PHCC website. Take a few minutes to look around!

<http://www.phccweb.org>

CALENDAR

September

- 21: Rulemaking Hearing on Residential Reach Code at BCD
- 22: Draft Closed Loop Ground Source Heat Boring Rules committee meeting
- 27: Columbia Chapter meeting, Wilsonville Holiday Inn (6 pm). Date changed from 9/20 to 9/27 to accommodate visit by the "Responsible Bathroom" truck and trailer.
- 21-24: CONNECT 2011 / Premier national event for plumbing and HVACR contractors. Click for info:
<http://www.phccweb.org/Meetings/content.cfm?ItemNumber=6714&navItemNumber=529>

October

- 04: Board of Boiler Rules meeting to review and make recommendations on the 2011 Oregon Boiler and Pressure Vessel Specialty Code.
- 11: Willamette Chapter meeting, Rudy's at Salem Golf Club (6 pm)
- 18: Columbia Chapter meeting, Wilsonville Holiday Inn (6 pm)
- 28-30: ORPHCC Conference, Salishan Resort (please register TODAY)

November

- 08: Willamette Chapter meeting, Rudy's at Salem Golf Club (6 pm)
- 15: Columbia Chapter meeting, Wilsonville Holiday Inn (6 pm)
- 17: ORPHCC Executive Committee meeting (10 am)

December

- 13: Willamette Chapter meeting, Rudy's at Salem Golf Club (6 pm)
- 15: ORPHCC Executive Committee meeting (10 am)
- 20: Columbia Chapter meeting, Wilsonville Holiday Inn (6 pm)

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