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WILLAMETTE (SALEM AREA) CHAPTER MEETING

The next meeting is Tuesday, May 8th at 6 pm at Rudy's at the Salem Golf Club. Each person orders from the menu and pays for their own meal. You do not have to be an ORPHCC member to attend. ORPHCC Executive Director Darrell Fuller will provide information from the recent National PHCC Legislative Conference he attended in Washington, DC.

COLUMBIA (PORTLAND AREA) CHAPTER MEETINGS

The next meeting is Tues, May 15th at 6 pm / Wilsonville Holiday Inn. 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. **This month's special guest is the Senior Plumbing Inspector for Portland, McKenzie James.**

WATER HEATER LICENSE EXAM PREP CLASS

On Saturday, June 2nd (and possibly June 9th and 16th) McKenzie James, in conjunction with ORACCA, will be conducting a eight hour CE class on preparing for the Water Heater License Exam. The class will be held at the Northwest College of Construction at 8111 NW Holman Street in Portland. For more information contact McKenzie James at mwjearthforce@aol.com. You can also download a flyer by going to: <http://www.orphcc.com/memberresources/pipeline.html>

RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 10th

The Oregon Department of Energy has scheduled a meeting of the Renewable Energy Development Grants Advisory Committee. It will meet on May 10th from 1:00 - 3:30 pm. The meeting will be at the DOE's main office at 625 Marion Street, NE in Salem. This advisory committee was created by a 2011 law which replaced the Business Energy Tax Credit program. Public hearings on permanent rules will be scheduled in June, 2012. For more information, contact Maureen Block at 503-934-4004 or 800-221-8035.

BETC FEE AND RULEMAKING MEETING MAY 11th

The Oregon Department of Energy has scheduled a stakeholder meeting on fees and rulemaking on the proposed Business Energy Tax Credit fee structure for the pass-through program. The meeting will start at 9 am and will be held at the State Fire Marshall Headquarters at 4760 Portland Road, NE in Salem. For more information, contact Maureen Block at 503-934-4004 or 800-221-8035.

ENERGY CONSERVATION DRAFT PERMANENT RULES

The Department of Energy has released draft permanent rules for energy conservation. A hearing on the proposed rules will be held on May 24th at 11:00 am. The hearing will be at the DOE Main Office, 625 Marion St, NE, Salem. The draft rules can be reviewed at [Draft permanent rules for energy conservation](#). For more information, contact Maureen Block at 503-934-4004 or 800-221-8035.

CITY OF PORTLAND ISSUES FEE INCREASE MEMO

The City of Portland has issued information on their proposed fee structure for fiscal year 2012-13. Council hearings are scheduled for May 23rd for Portland and June 7th for Multnomah County. Complete fee schedules will be available online soon at

<http://www.portlandonline.com/bds/>. If you have any questions, contact Denise Kleim at 503-812-7338 or denise.kleim@portlandoregon.gov. A copy of the menu can be seen at <http://www.orphcc.com/memberresources/pipeline.html>

CONVENTION OVER / GOLF TOURNAMENT NEXT

Thanks to all the sponsors, vendors and contractors who participated in this year's 2012 ORPHCC Convention at the Red Lion Convention Center in Portland, Oregon.

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MARK AUGUST 1ST ON YOUR CALENDAR

This year's ORPHCC golf tournament will be August 1st at Stone Creek Golf Club in Oregon City. More information and online registration will be available at www.ORPHCC.com in the coming days. We hope to see you there!

2011 PLUMBING SPECIALTY CODE CHANGE CONTINUING EDUCATION

BCD contracts with ORPHCC to provide low-cost 2011 Plumbing Code Change education to licensed plumbers. An online class is available 24/7 and only cost \$20. To register, simply go to www.orphcc.com and click on the "2011 Plumbing Specialty Code" link.

PROPOSED FEE CHANGES

To review proposed fee changes by local government, go to:
http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/jurisdictions/fee_changes.html

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

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>

2012 CALENDAR

May

08 Salem Chapter meeting/6 pm/Rudy's at Salem Golf Club

10 Renewable Energy Development Grants Advisory Committee, see above for details

11 Business Energy Tax Credit fee structure for the pass-through program public hearing, see above for details

15 Portland Chapter meeting/6 pm/Wilsonville Holiday Inn

17 ORPHCC Executive Committee meeting/1 pm/Salem

23 City of Portland hearing on proposed fee changes for FY12-13, see above for details

24 Public hearing on draft permanent rules for energy conservation, see above for details

June

- 02 Water Heater License Exam Prep Class / contact mwjeearthforce@aol.com
- 07 Multnomah County hearing on proposed fee changes for FY12-13, see above for details
- 09 Tentative Water Heater License Exam Prep Class / contact mwjeearthforce@aol.com
- 16 Tentative Water Heater License Exam Prep Class / contact mwjeearthforce@aol.com
- 19 Portland Chapter meeting/6 pm/Wilsonville Holiday Inn
- 21 ORPHCC Full Board of Directors meeting/10 am/Salem

July

- 19 ORPHCC Executive Committee meeting/10 am/Salem

August

- 01 ORPHCC Golf Tournament / Stone Creek Golf Club
- 16 ORPHCC Executive Committee meeting/10 am/Salem

September

- 11 Salem Chapter meeting/6 pm/Rudy's at Salem Golf Club
- 18 Portland Chapter meeting/6 pm/Wilsonville Holiday Inn
- 20 ORPHCC Full Board of Directors meeting/10 am/Salem

October

- 16 Portland Chapter meeting/6 pm/Wilsonville Holiday Inn
- 18 ORPHCC Executive Committee meeting/10 am/Salem

November

- 13 Salem Chapter meeting/6 pm/Rudy's at Salem Golf Club
- 16 ORPHCC Full Board of Directors meeting/3:30 pm/Portland
- 16 CJ Hansen Scholarship Dinner & Auction/Portland

December

- 20 ORPHCC Executive Committee meeting/10 am/Salem

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