

GOLF....WHAT ELSE DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

The 2012 ORPHCC Golf Invitational is just around the corner on August 1st at Stone Creek in Oregon City. We have scheduled a morning event so we're off the course before it gets too hot. We have room for a few more golfer and a few more sponsors. The registration deadline is July 23rd, so don't put it off! To learn more just click on this link www.orphcc.com/memberresources/golftournaments.html or call the office at 503-557-1203

Thanks to our golf sponsors to date: Consolidated Supply / Federated Insurance / Ferguson / Kohler / LaPorte & Associates / Liberty Northwest Insurance / 1-800-Water-Damage

INDEPENDENT POLL SHOWS STARR AHEAD OF AVAKIAN

An independent poll by Public Policy Polling taken the weekend of June 22-24 showed State Senator Bruce Starr leading incumbent Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian 23% to 21% with 56% undecided.

ORPHCC ENDORSES BRUCE STARR FOR LABOR COMMISSIONER

The ORPHCC Legislative Committee met in Salem on March 7th and interviewed both Labor Commissioner

Brad Avakian (Democrat) and his challenger, State Senator Bruce Starr (Republican). Both candidates made impressive presentations and answered lots of questions. After the interviews, the Committee voted unanimously to endorse Bruce Starr for Labor Commissioner. This election will be decided in November. ORPHCC encourages you to learn more about both candidates and hopes you will vote for Bruce Starr. To learn more about Senator Starr and to help him campaign, go to www.brucestarr.org.

ORPHCC REPRESENTS INDUSTRY / SEEKS INPUT ON FOG RULES

ORPHCC Board Member Steve Houston has been invited to participate in a BCD task force reviewing the conflict between the Plumbing Code and local government rules on grease interceptors and traps. New language and standards are being discussed on 1014.1 (what shall be connected), 1014.1.3 (additional items connected) and 1014.2.2 and 1014.3.6.1 (interceptor type and sizing). However, other topics may also be considered. If you would like to provide input to the task force, please contact Steve Houston at s.houston@americanheating.net. ORPHCC is working for you and together, we do make a difference.

BCD ADOPTS RULES CREATING SPECIALIZED FINAL INSPECTOR CERTIFICATIONS

House Bill 3462 in the 2011 Legislature created specialized final inspector certifications. BCD has adopted the rules implementing the new law which became effective on July 1st. To learn more follow this link:

http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/notices/Adopted_Rules/2012/20120701_HB3462SFI_PR.pdf

FEDERATED OFFERS RISK MANAGEMENT RESOURCE CENTER

Federated Insurance is offering its new Risk Management Resource Center to assist ORPHCC members with questions about loss control. This is a new value-added benefit for ORPHCC members. The RMRC is available from 7 am to 5 pm (Central Time) by calling 1-888-FED-4949.

DEQ OFFERS FREE CLASSES ON RCRA HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

DEQ is offering free regional meetings to help businesses properly handle common hazardous waste materials. For more information click on this link:

<http://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/pubs/docs/hw/hwtraining.pdf>

PLAN REVIEW TRAINING: CUTTING THROUGH THE FOG

The City of Portland is offering a free class on their new FOG rules. Space in the July 18th class is limited. It runs from 8:30 to 10:30 am. For more information, email cherises@interfaceeng.com.

ODOE ADOPTS CHANGES TO BETC RULES

The Oregon Department of Energy has filed permanent rules for the Business Energy Tax Credit Program effective July 10, 2012. The permanent rules apply to the old BETC program, which has been replaced by the Energy Incentives Program created by the 2011 Legislature. For more information click on these links:

<http://www.oregon.gov/energy/BUSINESS/Incentives>

<http://www.oregon.gov/energy/CONS/docs/BETCRules07.10.12.pdf>

BCD SEEKS INPUT ON AMENDMENTS TO RADON MITIGATION STANDARDS

BCD is soliciting input on proposed changes to the department's Radon Mitigation Standards. For more information, click on this link:

http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/notices/Hearings/2012/20120615_Radon_ph.pdf

TRAPS AND GREASE INTERCEPTORS CLASS OFFERED

McKenzie James, Portland's Senior Plumbing Inspector, has scheduled two classes (August 11th and 18th) on traps and grease interceptors. The four hour classes count as continuing education for Journeyman Plumbers. The cost is \$99 per person. BES Pollution Control will have a representative there to talk about their FOG rules. For more information, contact McKenzie at mwjearthforce@aol.com or click on this link to download a flyer:

<http://www.orphcc.com/memberresources/pipeline.html>

VIEGA JOINS AS NEW NATIONAL PHCC CORPORATE SPONSOR

The National PHCC Board of Directors has named [Viega](#) LLC as the newest PHCC Corporate Partner. With the recent signing of a five-year partnership agreement, the manufacturer of plumbing, heating and pipe-joining products joins [Bradford White](#), [Federated Insurance](#), [InSinkErator](#) and [Kohler Co.](#) in this elite category of industry partners who support PHCC and its affiliates.

CITY OF CRESWELL PROPOSES FEE INCREASE

For more information on this and other proposed local government fee increases, click on this link:

http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/jurisdictions/fee_changes.html

ARE YOU AN ENERGY TRUST TRADE ALLY

Energy Trust is committed to supporting the plumbing industry by providing customer awareness, training and best practice guidance for efficient water heater installations including solar water heating. Take a look at the benefits of becoming an Energy Trust trade ally and [join their network](#) to help Oregon residents and businesses save energy, money and reduce their impact on the environment. For more information click on this link: <http://energytrust.org/>

GREENPLUMBERS TRAINING IN LAS VEGAS OCT 1-5

GreenPlumbers Training is being held in Las Vegas Oct 1 through 5th at the South Point Hotel, the same week as the Water Smart Conference. For more information, watch this video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?>

2011 PLUMBING SPECIALTY CODE CHANGES EDUCATION

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

Live classes will be scheduled across the state in the Fall. If you would like to be notified when a class is scheduled near you, just send an email to Darrell@orphcc.com.

COLUMBIA (PORTLAND AREA) CHAPTER MEETINGS

The Columbia Chapter meets the 3rd Tues of each month, but we take a break in the summer. So, the next meeting will be September 18th. We will likely be in a new location rather than returning to the Wilsonville Holiday Inn. You do not have to be an ORPHCC member to attend. Cost is \$30 per person. Spouses and guests are welcome, too.

WILLAMETTE (SALEM AREA) CHAPTER MEETINGS

The Willamette Chapter meets every other month on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Rudy's at the Salem Golf Club. Our next meeting will be September 11th. You do not need to be an ORPHCC member to attend and everyone orders from the menu and pays for their own bill. Spouses and guests are welcome, too.

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>