

# NEWS & VIEWS

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The Pacific NW Heating Cooling Association  
Serving Oregon and SW Washington



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## Thursday, December 1st ORACCA meeting is at LENNOX! December Meeting is Live only!!!

Please join us on December 1st at 11:30AM for our return of our annual Christmas gathering. There will be a short presentation the state of the industry and catered barbeque lunch. As in the past we will have a raffle featuring prizes donated by our distributor partners, you must be present to win, so we encourage all to attend this last meeting of 2022.

Event will be sponsored by LENNOX Industries, at their facility:

13101 SE 84th Ave., Bldg. A,  
Clackamas, OR. 97015.

**The time for the meeting is 11:30**

### BRAZING CERTIFICATION

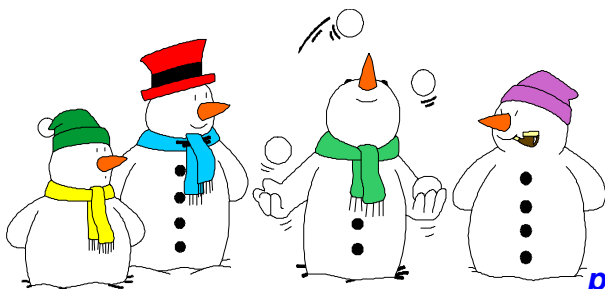
**NEW TEST DATE:** We have scheduled a brazing test for **December 16, 2022.**

Testing will run hourly, starting at **8:00am.**  
The test will be at **PCC Swan Island**  
**6400 N. Cutter Circle, Portland, OR. 97217**

**Here is a link for registration: <https://https://oracca.org/brazing-certification-written-test-12-16-2022/>**

Be sure to get your registration forms in soon to ensure your techs have reserved spot.

## Happy Holidays! from ORACCA



*Best wishes to all  
for a wonderful  
holiday season and  
a new year filled  
with peace and  
prosperity!*



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## What?

December Meeting  
AT  
LENNOX

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to  
EVERYONE!!



# Did You Know ...

Membership with ORACCA is a benefit for all members of the company!



To help keep your team well-informed with important industry news, special member perks and discounts, as well as training workshops and webinars opportunities -- we encourage our member companies to make all of their employees aware of ORACCA updates.

There are many benefits of an ORACCA membership. **Here are the top several mentioned by existing members.**

- 1. Networking with other contractors. This source of information is invaluable in handling problems within your own company. ORACCA members help fellow members to be successful**
- 2. Training discounts. Brazing Certification, NATE Certification, Manuals J, D, S and T Certification, CFC certification. Special pricing for members more than offsets the cost of membership.**
- 3. Medical insurance coverage. The ORACCA Health plan offers plans that could more than pay for your ORACCA membership.**
- 4. Many of our educational monthly meetings qualify for either NATE CEU's and/or CCB CE's**
- 5. Quarterly meetings with Oregon Code officials. Get your code enforcement questions answered here.**

Additional reason for membership are:

- Company membership applies to all employees of your firm
- Access to local experts from NW Natural, PGE, ETO and Local and State Building Code Division personnel for your technical and code questions.
- Monthly meetings with informative presentations that benefit both the Contractor and Supplier.
- Relevant technical training and educational classes.
- Monthly newsletters and email communications filled with industry information and updates.
- Reduced rates on materials, conferences, and training.



ORACCA distributes NEWS & VIEWS on a monthly basis to members and selected non-members, so that all those in the HVAC/R industry can keep informed of issues regarding our trade, and Chapter activities. We hope the non-members will see this newsletter as an example of the quality services that ORACCA provides. Contributions or suggestions can be faxed to Association Headquarters at 503-914-1999 or emailed to [dan@oracca.org](mailto:dan@oracca.org)

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## TRAINING/ TESTING

On-Demand Training /Testing. This means the tests are scheduled with both your availability and that of the the Proctor in mind. Once you feel comfortable to take the test, a date and place are set up through the ORACCA office. Call 360-824-3805 for information.  
These on demand trainng/testing sessions include the following:

**EPA 608 CFC Training/Test - Now Available!**

**NATE Training/Test Core, Gas Heat and Heat Pump**

**Brazing Certification Test,**

**December 16, 2022** at PCC, Swan Island. Tests start at 8:00 and continue hourly til done. Get your registration now to ensure you will have a spot for the last test of the year.



## Not a member? We'd love to serve you, too.

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'Twas the week before Christmas and without fail  
we still did not have our cards in the mail.  
Our Christmas letter was blank, not even a line.  
The address book lost (as it was most of the time)

I had just finished "Fallon" and was headed to bed  
when my wife threw a box of cards at my head.  
"They're your friends, too." she shouted at me.  
"The least you could do is finish the tree!"



I knew right then there was no place to  
hide.  
Grabbed the tinsel and lights and headed  
outside.  
"Now where was this tree she'd went on  
about?"  
"I had not seen it. Was it inside the  
house?"

When all of a sudden from above came a noise.  
I looked up to the sky and down fell a toy.  
And then fell another, toys all over the ground.  
I dropped all the tinsel and turned right around.

There on my roof was a herd of reindeer  
and a jolly fat man dressed up in red gear.  
Now I was no slouch and guessed right away  
this must be Santa and that was his sleigh.



His arms gripped my chimney, his  
head down the flue.  
By the sounds I would guess that  
he just had a few.  
I shouted "Hey, Santa!  
Why the sleigh and  
reindeer?  
You're a week early and you  
shouldn't be here."

His head rose up slowly and he looked all  
around until finally he noticed me there on the  
ground.

"Where am I? he whispered and then held  
his head  
"The last thing I remember was going to bed.



The elf's had a party since their job  
was done.  
They spiked the eggnog and I had  
more than one."  
"Let me help you" I said "get these  
toys back in place.  
Come on in for some coffee and to  
clean up your face."

I thought for a moment. "Should I tell my wife?"  
But Santa and I needed no more lectures that night.  
While he had his coffee I found his lost sack  
Untangled the reindeer and put the toys back.

He thanked me profusely and I pointed his way  
And as I walked back inside I heard my wife say  
"The problem with you is no Christmas spirit!"  
With a smile I looked up and said "Whatever you say,  
Dearest"



Dan returned to his desk, once again all  
alone, and sat down to create this brief  
Christmas poem.

To all of our members, prospective, old  
and new,

Thanks for your support! We're all  
indebted to you!

We wish you good times, prosperity, and cheer

Success in the future, Good Health and big profits in the  
upcoming year!

So gather with your loved ones and mix and mingle. We  
might even share a Christmas time jingle. Make food that  
will fill you to the brim.

Join with us to toast to another year, filled with the hope  
of peace and prosperity.  
Thanks to all Dick and Dan

