NEWS & VIEWS

February, 2014

February 13th @ YORK Honeywell

The **February Honeywell meeting** is scheduled to be held at YORK Tigard. 7245 SW Durham Rd. Tigard, OR. 97224 at 11:30AM, Thursday, February 13th.

Lunch is being provided by YORK, so bring your appetite and join your fellow HVAC contractors to network and hear about these exciting programs.

Bryan Smith, Honeywell Residential Territory Manager, will review Honeywell's line up of "Connected Solutions".

Remote access "connected" thermostat sales are expected to quadruple by 2015, don't miss out on this opportunity to provide homeowners with products for which they are looking.

Come and learn about Honeywell's current line of products to meet this growing market demand.

Medical Insurance

Did you know? A member benefit for all ORACCA members is a better rate for medical insurance. At last month's meeting, our presenter mentioned that being part of a larger group gives companies a 10 to 15% cost advantage over non affiliated companies. Membership does have its advantages.

NEW ORACCA Website

We invite all ORACCA members, and others of you who are not yet members, to go to www.oracca.org and view our new website.

We have a whole host of exciting new features to offer on this site. You can now register and sign up for a number of training/testing programs online. Our Training/Testing offerings are shown for the calendar year.

The Calendar shows information on our 2014 events, location and times.

We also have information of interest to the industry under the various tabs on the header line.

We are planning on adding a section showing available NATE CEU courses being offered in the Portland area, soon.

Also, a "jobs" area is being considered by the Board. If you have any other ideas for improvements, please let us know.

NATE Update

The changes NATE is making to its certification requirements are based on industry feedback. The goal is to make it simpler to maintain NATE certification by better recognizing the HVACR industry training that technicians already attend while lowering maintenance costs where possible.

Here are the **top three changes** made to the program that are effective as of Jan. 1, 2014.

NATE certification period is valid for two years and continuing education requirements have been lowered to 16 hours per two years. This averages out to 8 hours of training a year.

The cost to maintain your certification with CEU's is \$25.00 for two years and \$5.00 per specialty. If your certification expires in 2014, you have a one time option, to renew for five years (with the appropriate 60 CEU's) for \$95.00 or transition into the new program.

As before you must submit the certification application before your certification expires.

You worked hard for your certification, Don't let it lapse



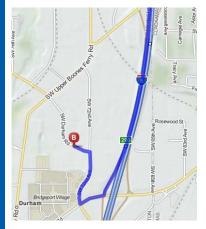
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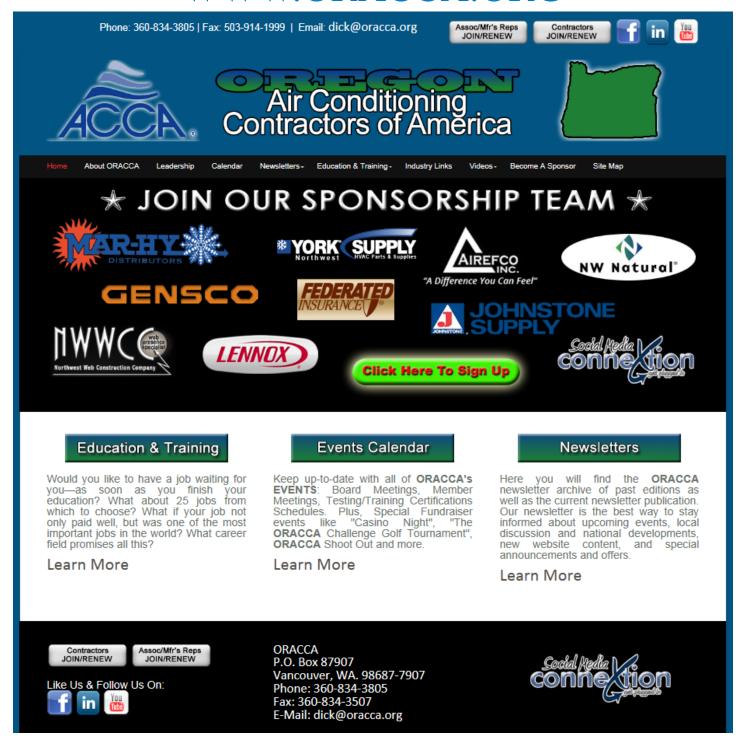
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Honeywell

When?

11:30AM, February 13th at YORK 7245 SW Durham Road Tigard, OR. 97224

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The association's new website has been upgraded to give you more on-line capabilities, such as on-line registration for testing/training, registration for events and a multitude of other featuresd. Go to www.oracca.org and check it out.



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 dick@oracca.org

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. TRAINING/TESTING

NATE GAS HEAT Training/Testing. February 8, 2014, 8:00AM, NW Natural Computer Lab.

Brazing Certification Test, March 21, 2014, PCC, Cascade Campus

NATE HEAT PUMP Training/Testing. April 12, 2014, 8:00AM, PGE Facility in Wilsonville.

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TRADE SHOW/ PROMOTION

Planning Ahead

MEETING DATES

A January 9, 2014 - Rebate program roundtable with ETO, PGE, NWN.

B. February 13, 2014 - Honeywell Presentation @ YORK Tigard

March 13, 2014 - Codes Update - York, Tigard

C. March 17-20, 2014 - ACCA National Meeting, Nashville, TN.D. April 4, 2014 - Casino Night @ NW Natural

E. May 8, 2014 - GENSCO Presentation @ PGE Facility Wilsonville

F. June 12, 2014 - Thermal Supply Presentation - TBD

G. July 14, 2014 - Golf Tournament

H. August 2014 - No meetingI. September 20, 2014 - Shoot out Canby Rod & Gun Club

J. October 09, 2014 - Johnson Air Presentation@ Johnson Air

K. November 13, 2014 - York Presentation at York, Tigard

December 11, 2014 - Xmas party - Lennox

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