NEWS & VIEWS

January, 2018

The Pacific NW Heating Cooling Association Serving Oregon and SW Washington

January 18th @ NW Natural, Sherwood Utility Program Update for 2018 Code Officials Update for 2018

The January 18th ORACCA/OMOA meeting is scheduled to be held at the NW Natural Gas/Training Center, 20285 SW Cipole Rd. Sherwood, OR 97140. Lunch is being provided by NW Natural,

UTILITY UPDATE

This meeting will include the annual **Utility Update on incentives** offered by the various entities involved.

- NW Natural, Keith Barrow
- Portland General Electric, John Karasaki,
- Energy Trust of Oregon, Eric Falk,
- Air Northwest,

This is a joint meeting between ORACCA and OMOA. The Oregon Mechanical officials Association. Their membership consists of code officials from State and local jurisdictions throughout Oregon.

IMPORTANT - Open Code Forum

The OMOA is asking for industry help with the open code forum ending January 31st. The Oregon Code Officials Association has invited the HVAC industry to put together things we want changed, added or revised in the mechanical codes.

This will be on the agenda item for the combined ORACCA/OMOA meeting on the 18th. If the Code Officials andf the Industry come together on an issue, or several, the Board is more likely to look favorably on approving the proposed change. So this is

your opportimity to get your voice heard on code issues. As the old saying goes,"if you want to have skin the game, then show up and participate."

Bring your suggestions to the meeting for open discussion between contractors, suppliers and code officials. We just have to have a rough draft completed and submitted by Jauary 31st and then we can clean it up form there.

For instance, Mark Heizer, Oregon State codes division has asked if we can get a table put together for Commercial Roof Top Units replacements to save on Structural engineering cost because of a curb adapter.

We will also have a presentation, by Travis Smith, on the changes in the **new construction residential energy code.** The provisions of this new regulation regulate the exterior envelope, as well as the design, construction and selection of heating, ventilating and air-conditioning systems, lighting and piping insulation required for the purpose of effective conservation of energy within a building or structure governed by this code

See you at NWN Sherwood! Have lunch, and listen to the people who can answer your code questions.

2018 Calendar

On the back page of this newsletter is the 2018 calendar of events for ORACCA. Please take a moment to review these dates and post them to your personal calendars, so you will not miss out on some very important and informative meetings in 2018.



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What?

- Utility Update on Programs for 2018
- Open Code ForumCode Officials Update
- Presentation on Residential New Home Energy code changes

11:00AM, January 18th at NW Natural 20285 SW Cipole Rd. Sherwood, OR 97140



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 just renegotiated an additional 15% reduction off the first year premium. This again would more than pay for your ORACCA membership.
- 4. Many of our educational monthly meetings qyalifiy for either NATE CEU's and/or CCB CE's
- 5. Quarterly meetings with Oregon Code officials. Get your code enforcement questions answered here.
- 6. Member only pricing on Hilmor tools through Thermal Supply.

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 dick@oracca.org





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NATE Training/Test Core, Gas Heat and Heat Pump

Brazing Certification Test, March 23, 2018, PCC @ Swan Island Facilty June 15, 2018, PCC @ Swan Island Facilty

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Planning Ahead

MEETING DATES

- A January 18 Codes Update & Utility Update@NW Natural, Sherwood NATE CEU (1.0), CCB CE (1.0)
- B. February 1 Honeywell @ MarHy NATE CEU (1.0), CCB CE (1.0)
- C. March 1- Cyber Security Presentation @ YORK, Tigard, OR- NATE CEU (1.0), CCB CE (1.0)
- D. April 19 Codes Update, Mfg. Reps Presentation @ NW Natural, Sherwood-NATE CEU (1.0), CCB CE (2.0)
- E. May 1 TBD Training Day @ NW Coll. of Constr. NATE CEU (7.0)
- E. May 5 Shoot Out Canby Rod & Gun Club
- F. June 1 AIREFCO Presentation @ TBD- NATE CEU (1.0), CCB CE (1.0)
- G July 16 Golf Tournamnet Oregon City Golf Course
- G July 19 Codes Update@NW Natural , Sherwood NATE CEU (1.0) & CCB CE
- H. August No Meeting
- I. Sept. 13 TBD Presentation @ NW Coll. of Constr. NATE CEU (1.0), CCB CE
- J October 18 Codes Update@NW Natural , Sherwood NATE CEU (1.0) & CCB CE 2.0
- K. Nov. 1 Thermal Presentation @ NW Coll. of Constr. **NATE CEU (1.0), CCB CE (1.0)**
- L. Dec. 6 Xmas Party @ Lennox

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