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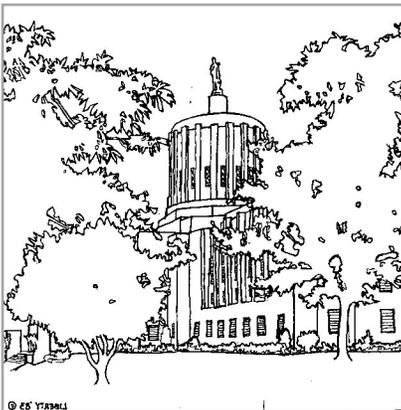
Oregon Legislature Adjourns

Update from Oregonians for Food and Shelter

The short session was mostly good for us, but the 2023 session could be setting up to be difficult. Not to mention the make up of legislators and the governor's office will be different.

When the new Oregon House takes office on Jan. 9, 2023, at least a third of its 60 members will be new or serving their first full terms after their initial appointments. In contrast, the Oregon Senate will lose its most senior member — Democrat Peter Courtney of Salem. He is retiring after 24 years, 20 of them as its presiding officer and 14 previous years in the House.

When filings closed Tuesday, March 8, for the May 17 party primaries, nearly two-thirds of the representatives filed for re-election, though some are running in new districts as a result of redrawing after the 2020 Census. Of those, 20 seats were open.



The most recent record for turnover was set after the 1998 election, when legislative term limits then in effect kicked in, and the House seated 25 new members. (One other new member had served previously, and a second came over from the Senate). That mark was exceeded only in 1973, after Oregon went to single-

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OPCA High Desert Seminar Awaits

Mark your calendars for June 3-4, 2022. We will be headed to RiverHouse Conference Center in Bend for our High Desert Seminar. Friday we will hold the annual Brandi Ham Memorial Golf Tournament at River's Edge Golf Club. We don't have a welcome barbecue, due to limitations in the hotel accommodations, but stay tuned for some suggestions on Bend's "watering holes."



Saturday morning we have some great speakers lined up:

Ray VanderLouw - Bed Bugs on a Budget
Dr. Jay Teischendorf - Zoonotic Diseases (part 1 and part 2)
Niamh Quinn - Rodent Topic

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Quick Calendar

OPCA Ant ID Class
March 26, 2022
Chemeketa Com. College, Salem

OPCA Scholarship Application Deadline
April 30, 2022

High Desert Seminar
June 3-4, 2022
RiverHouse on the Deschutes
Bend, OR

Fall Beach Seminar
Sept. 16-17, 2022
Best Western Agate Beach Inn
Newport, OR

Southern Oregon Seminar
November 18, 2022
Rogue Regency Inn, Medford, OR

Members Meet at Pacific NW Pest Management Conference

OPCA members met at the Pacific NW Pest Management Conference on February 25. Larry Treleven, OPCA president presided over the meeting. A nearly complete roster of board members, and a solid showing of OPCA members discussed association business and other topics on Friday of the conference.

Among the topics discussed were an update on upcoming OPCA events. Mike Kesecker, OPCA's Education chair, was given a round of applause for his work recruiting speakers for meetings.

A decision was made to hold the Southern Oregon Seminar in Medford at the Rogue Regency Inn instead of the "Bear Hotel" which has proven to be too small to accommodate the number of people who attend. An effort will be made to invite companies from Northern California as well.

The OPCA Scholarship is up for grabs. It was noted one application was withdrawn, so the scholarship is available. The deadline is April 30. A \$1,000 scholarship is on the table for any family member or employee of a standing OPCA member company.

OPCA's financial report was provided. The association is in a good financial position due to the success of the Fall

High Desert Seminar

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Mike Doherty, Bird-B-Gone, Workshop (Maximum 20 attendees)
Scott LeFave - B&G Maintenance

A bird workshop is on schedule to run concurrently with the other speakers from 1:00— 5:00. Mike Dougherty of Bird-B-Gone will lead the class. The class size is limited to 20 people, so don't wait to register. Select the breakout on the registration form. Topics for the class include Problems and hazards of bird droppings, bird biology and pest bird profiles, bird behavior and product selection, flock reduction, and hands on installation of products.

Book your hotel room by May 3

Don't wait to book your room at RiverHouse on the Deschutes. Call 1-800-453-4480 and reference "Oregon Pest Control Association." The block of rooms is being released on May 3. Rate: \$199 + tax.

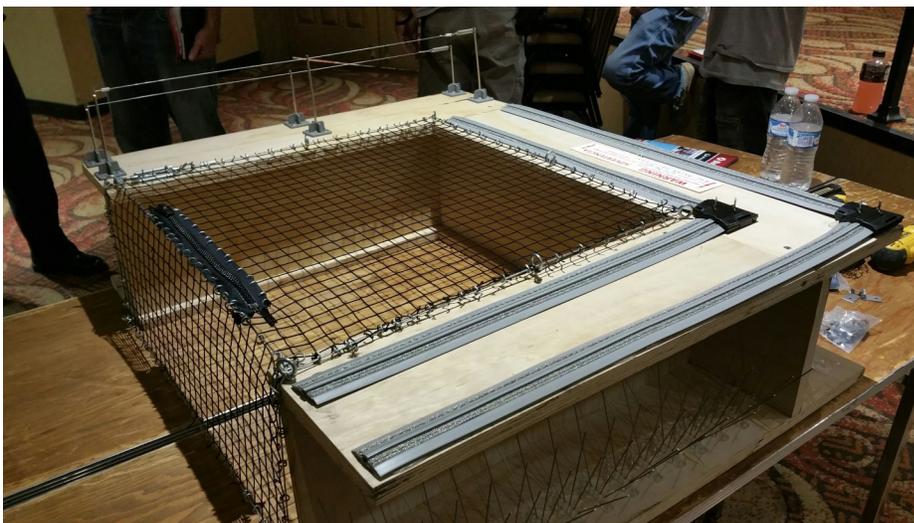
Beach Seminar, Southern Oregon Seminar and recently added Winter Virtual Seminar. As of January 31 OPCA has \$17,837 in general checking, \$2,038 in savings and \$5,409 in the scholarship account. Net income as of January 31 is \$13,266. Budgeted income by fiscal year end is \$1,000, but it's expected OPCA will outperform that goal,

Members shared their interest in being invited to OPCA board meetings and having access to minutes and financial reports. A decision was made to post these documents on the OPCA website. Harvey Gail, OPCA's executive director noted meetings are held virtually the third Wednesday of the month on ZOOM. The link can be sent to anyone who wants it, however, an effort will be made to send out the link to the members. The next board meeting will be April 20 on ZOOM.

Harvey Gail, OPCA Executive Director noted the race for the Oregon Governor is happening this year because current governor Kate Brown is termed out. Gail summarized the leading candidates. The primary is in May where the top Republican and top Democrat candidates will be elected. They will face off in the fall.



Larry Treleven, OPCA President 2021-22



Expect some great tools and props in the Bird-B-Gone workshop. But don't wait to sign up, class size is limited to 20 people.

REGISTER
OPCA High Desert Seminar
www.opca.org

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member legislative districts, resulting in 28 new members.

Oregon DEQ-Details on the Medium-and Heavy-Duty Vehicle One-Time Fleet Reporting Requirement

If you are a fleet owner, large business, government agency, municipality or broker with a fleet of five or more medium or heavy-duty vehicles in Oregon, you must submit fleet reporting information by June 30, 2022.

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality recently adopted a one-time reporting requirement for large entities and government fleets that own, operate or direct the movement of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 8,500 lbs. This applies to vehicles such as trucks, buses or delivery vans. The information collected through this process will help inform DEQ about potential infrastructure and funding needs, as well as the development of future



Membership Adds Up at OPCA!

OPCA Benefits:

- Reduced cost in registration for educational recertification seminars. Reduced rates MORE than make up for dues!
- Legislative representation through Oregonians for Food and Shelter, a lobbying organization for ag industries in Oregon.
- Four *Crack & Crevice* newsletters are sent each year.
- Insect identification is available through OSU Extension offices throughout Oregon.
- Your company is listed on a map of Oregon on the OPCA website for public contact access.

OPCA Membership Categories and Rates:

- ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP:** Pest control companies who also join the National Pest Management Association: \$225 per year plus the cost of NPMA dues, which are on a sliding scale depending on sales volume.
- ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP:** Home inspectors, allied industries: \$225 per year.
- ALLIED MEMBERSHIP:** Vendors: \$150 per year.

Welcome New Members!

Ecoclear Products, Sarasota, FL—Allied Member
Baton Leads, Draper UT—Allied Member
Morgan's Pest Management, Sherwood, OR—OPCA Member
Wayfare Pest Solutions, Vancouver, WA—OPCA Member

policies and recommendations to transition to zero-emission medium and heavy-duty vehicle fleets.

National News

The Colorado Pest Management Association noted two key bills had been blocked in their recent legislative session. A bill to eliminate the state-wide agriculture chemicals "preemption" law failed to pass. You can imagine the chaos that would ensue if city by city, laws were changed regarding application of pesticides. Also, a bill to ban the use of neonicotinoids did not pass.

EPA Rules on Chlorpyrifos

As part of the Biden-Harris Administration's commitment to protect human health, including that of children and farmworkers, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking the next step to discontinue use of the pesticide chlorpyrifos on food by denying objections to EPA's rule revoking all chlorpyrifos tolerances.

In August 2021, EPA issued a final rule revoking all tolerances — which establish an amount of a pesticide that is allowed on food — for chlorpyrifos. Previously, chlorpyrifos was used for a large variety of agricultural uses, including soybeans, fruit and nut trees, broccoli, cauliflower, and other row crops. It has been found to inhibit an enzyme, which leads to neurotoxicity, and has also been associated with potential neurodevelopmental effects in children.

EPA issued the August 2021 final rule in response to the Ninth Circuit Court's order directing the agency to issue a final rule in response to Pesticide Action Network North America and Natural Resources Defense Council's 2007 petition. This petition requested that EPA revoke all chlorpyrifos tolerances because they were not safe.

Save the Date:

OPCA Fall Beach Seminar
Sept. 16-17, 2022
Best Western Agate Beach Inn, Newport



Advertise in Oregon

Crack and Crevice, OPCA's quarterly newsletter reaches OPCA members and their employees.

Crack and Crevice has a long shelf life. Issues are frequently handed out at member events and sent in member kits to new members. Exposure lasts longer than typical newsletters.

Rates

- Business Card—\$75
- Quarter Page—\$125
- Half Page—\$200
- Full Page—\$375

Publication Calendar

March	Pacific NW Conference
June	High Desert Seminar
Sept.	Fall Beach Seminar
Dec.	So. Oregon Seminar
Jan.	Winter Seminar

For additional information and ad deadlines contact...

OPCA 503-363-4345 | exec@opca.org



OPCA Membership Report

OPCA member renewals as of March 1, 2022

- Active members: 58 (of 60 renewed)
- Allied members: 9 (of 14 renewed, 1 new)
- Associate (home inspectors): 2 (of 4 renewed)
- Honorary members: 5

Membership Application: Know of any companies that should be members? www.opca.org/join.

Lapsed Membership Policy: OPCA's policy is member companies that have lapsed for one full year must re-apply for membership in OPCA.

Dues Paid by Corporate Offices: If your corporate office is in another state and pays your dues, let us know!

OPCA's Dues Year: July 1—June 30. Once a member pays, we will notify the national association of the status.

New Members: OPCA Companies applying for OPCA membership are posted for the members to comment for 15 days. Then, the OPCA board votes to accept their membership.

Joint State Members: Active Members pay their NPMA dues at the same time as OPCA dues. Those dues are sent in to NPMA once a month.

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Winter Virtual Seminar Held in January

OPCA held its second winter virtual seminar January 15. About 55 people attended. The meeting, held on Zoom, went smoothly with no hiccups. Speakers included:

Paul Bello - Bed Bug Update, Sponsored by AMVAC / AM-GUARD

Sylvia Kenmuir - Thinking Inside and Outside the Box with Rodenticides, and Ant Management Strategies, Sponsored by BASF

Colton Bond, ODA - IPM in schools

Dr. Jay Tischendorf - Disinfectant risk management for rodents and wildlife, sponsored by Good Earth Pest Control

We plan to hold this every year—it's indoors out of the rain and snow and requires no heavy lifting!

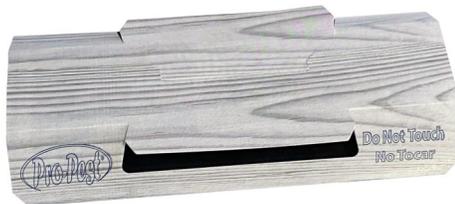


Attendees from Bill's Pest Control watch the virtual seminar from their office on the Oregon Coast.

Pro-Pest® Roach & Crawling Insect Trap Has New Look!

March 1, 2022 - J. F. Oakes, LLC is pleased to announce, that the ever-popular Pro-Pest® Roach & Crawling Insect Trap, has a new look. The trap now has a light woodgrain finish, that will blend in with any décor or environment. No visible print on one side of trap for, discreet insect capture. The new Pro-Pest® Roach & Crawling Insect Trap is pre-baited with an aromatic food attractant and is ready to use. The Pro-Pest® Roach & Crawling Insect Trap is specifically designed for forced monitoring and initial clean out of roaches and other crawling insects.

For more information, contact us at J. F. Oakes, LLC at 662-746-7276 or ales@jfoakes.com



Chemeketa Community College Offers Exam Prep Class

Chemeketa Community College in Salem will offer an exam prep class for Structural Pest Control. Here are the details:

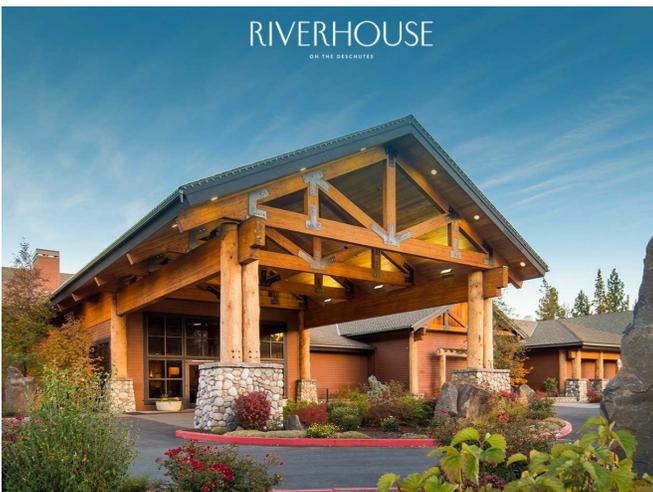


Ag Workforce Development

Chemeketa Community College

STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL EXAM PREP
Friday, April 8 & Saturday, April 9, 2022
8 AM—3 PM
Course Number: 82452
COST: \$179
Instructor: Michael Hanscom

A survey of structural pest control for preparation to pass Oregon Department of Agriculture Industrial, Institutional, Health and Structural Category Exam: Structural Pest Control. 12 hours ODA license credit and 12 hours WDA credit are pending approval for current license holders.



Save the Date:

OPCA High Desert Seminar

June 3-4, 2022

RiverHouse Conference Center Bend, OR

REGISTER FOR CLASS:

Email ag@chemeketa.edu and request registration form.

Confirmation email and payment instructions will be sent upon receiving the completed registration form.

OPCA Scholarship Up for Grabs—get \$1,000

Have a family member enrolled in college who could use financial help? Apply for the **OPCA scholarship**. Your college student could get **\$1,000**. Applications require a letter of recommendation from an OPCA member and a statement about how the funds will be helpful.

There is no requirement for major of study—they don't have to be enrolled in pest control related classes. **Steps:**

1. Download the form from the website.
2. Get a letter of recommendation from a current OPCA member.
3. Turn in the application to exec@opca.org or mail to OPCA, PO Box 2244, Salem, OR 97308.

Applications are reviewed by the scholarship committee and a decision will be made in April or May. Apply no later than **April 30th!**

Get the form off the OPCA website: www.opca.org/page-1797047



ODA-accredited Trainings for Pesticide Credits:

To search ODA-accredited CE trainings, go to:

<http://oda.direct/PestRecertClasses>.

The OSU Pesticide Safety Education Program is offering live webinars this training season:

<https://oda.fyi/PSEPLi>



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From the OPCA Executive Director

Greetings from the OPCA office! Mark your calendars for June 3-4. We will hold our High Desert Seminar in a new venue—well its been a long time anyway—at The River-House Conference Center. Great programs are in the works. Find info on the website under “Events.”



Harvey Gail, Exec. Director

For *Crack and Crevice*, we have interest from members in providing articles. Pictures are also great to have, but be sure to provide a detailed caption. If you have anything to offer, contact me at exec@opca.org.

OPCA’s minutes and financials are now being posted on our website, simply go to OPCA.org and click on the tab “About” and scroll down to “Board Meeting Minutes.”

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OPCA is a member-based organization, meaning **the power of OPCA comes from you**, the members. The more members we have, the more powerful we are. This may turn out to be important if the industry faces a major legislative challenge. So, if you know of any companies that aren’t OPCA (or NPMA) members, recommend OPCA membership. You’ll find a member application on our website. The new member year starts July 1, so this is a great time to recruit!

Finally, if you or someone in your company has a child or relative in college, consider applying for the OPCA scholarship. **\$1,000 is up for grabs this year.** Apply by April 30. The application can be found on the website under “Member Info.”

Have a great spring. We are all looking forward to the warmer weather... and so are the critters.

Get Your Logo Stuff!

Show your pride! OPCA purchased a small batch of **flex fit hats, uniform patches** and **truck decals**. These items are available on OPCA’s website. We only have a small batch of hats for now, but if they are popular the cost will decrease.

Also, members receive a name badge along with the membership for the main contact person. If you’d like them for all your staff members, contact OPCA.

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