## OHA Bend Chapter 2020 Scholarship

OHA awards scholarships to applicants based on the criteria identified herein while pursuing areas of study and careers that support OHA's mission of "Protecting Oregon's wildlife, habitat and hunting heritage."

## Who is eligible for an OHA scholarship?

Eligible applicants must be new or returning college students enrolled in any accredited trade school, technical school, college or university. Applicants must be in a field of study which aligns with OHA's mission. Fields of study may include, but are not limited to: fish & wildlife, wildlife biology, forestry, environmental policy & planning, environmental law, public lands management, wildlife law enforcement, natural resources.

## Who is not eligible for an OHA scholarship?

The following individuals and their family members are ineligible for awards: OHA officers and directors, members of the selection committee, trustees, and substantial financial contributors.

## What criteria are used to judge applicants?

Applicants are judged on their application, eligibility requirements, volunteer work, essay and other materials provided. Applications will be reviewed by the OHA Scholarship Committee with recommendations to the board of directors. Below are the criteria by which each applicant's information will be evaluated. Consider the following points when answering application questions or writing your essay.

- Major course of study
- Involvement in OHA or other habitat projects (applicants will not be limited to OHA members)
- Extracurricular participation
- Leadership skills
- Community activities
- Awards
- Work experience
- Essay: Content, structure, and grammar
- Photos of you engaged in outdoor activities or community service
- An example of a goal you set for yourself and how you accomplished it

## How are scholarship funds dispersed?

The scholarship funds will be sent directly to the school at which the student is enrolled and will be credited to their account. The scholarship award is a one-time gift and must be able to be used in the year it is awarded. Any unused funds will be returned to the scholarship fund by the school to be used for future awards.

#### What must I do to be considered for an OHA scholarship?

Applicants must complete the scholarship application form.

A recipient may apply for the scholarship again in subsequent years; however, winners will be selected from all eligible applicants each year and past success does not guarantee future success.

If awarded a scholarship, the recipient will provide OHA with the college scholarship contact information. OHA will contact the school and arrange for funds to be provided directly to the school.



## NEXT CHAPTER MEETING May 13, 2020

(Check our website for confirmation)
Come join us for dinner and conversation at 6:00 pm for the next chapter meeting. The presentation starts at 7:00 pm.
Meetings are held at:

### Bend Golf & Country Club 61045 Country Club Dr Bend Oregon 97702

Just a heads up— The available no-host buffet is a great dinner and we encourage you all to join us as we support this option so that we may continue to hold our meetings here. Please pay John Bambe with cash or check for your meal (\$20) so he can keep track. You pay your own bar tab separately. Please come experience the Bend OHA meetings!

\*\*\*\*\*

Our March speaker was Heather Aldrich, Co-owner of Bravo Mfg., (Tents) Member of Western Bear foundation, Mentor for First Hunt Foundation and an instructor at the Ladies Hunting Camp.

Spring bear hunting is a lot of fun! There are states and provinces with OTC Bear tags and others you must draw for the spring bear tag. Some states require you to take a bear identification test (being able to differentiate between the black bear and the grizzly bear). Scouting begins at home. Study several years of harvest reports for the unit you are interested in.

Remember deep snows affect access and therefore harvest statistics.

Things to look for in the spring: anomalies in the habitat. In dense habitats I look for small openings, closed roads and places of thinning tree growth where light can hit the forest floor allowing growth of spring food sources. In more open habitats, look for southern facing slopes and meadows, avalanche chutes etc. The most important rule, "No Food, No Bears". Watch for early spring food sources like grasses (high in sugar content), clovers and in the denser habitats with less early green trees with higher sugar contents will be stripped by bears. They will rip the bark off the tree and do tremendous damage to whole stands of trees.



Remember bears do not leave the den and immediately return to full activity. Their feet are tender as they have sloughed their pads in the den. Their metabolism does not return to the full normal range for two to three weeks after waking up, so you can be too early to an area. Boars cover more territory than sows so you will have to cover more ground to locate him. The rut starts to get going around May in most places and boars will be traveling. They like to run ridge lines to pick up the scent of sows in heat.

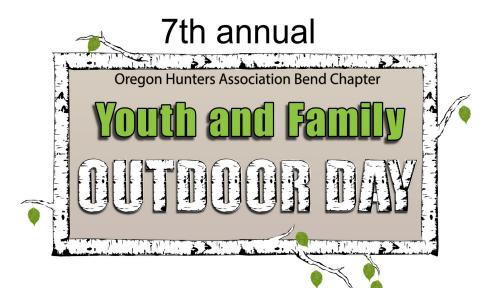
Be patient when glassing. Its easy to overlook bears in thick brush. I like to use my phone scope to take pictures and film bears to review. You can use this to check hide quality and help determine size of the bear. My own safety rule—no predator calling for bears in an area that is also home to grizzly bears. If you can deploy game cameras,

they are a great way to study specific bears and avoid sows with cubs.

Young cubs disappear easily in spring growth so its very important to observe bears carefully to make sure its not a sow with cubs. On that thought, spring is also the dispersion time for older cubs. This is where some of the anti hunting sentiment comes from. They think the sow was killed and the cubs are orphaned when in reality it is simply time for them to be their own bear.

It was an honor to get to share my love of this animal with you all and hope you have a fabulous spring afield!





# Saturday May 30, 2020

sporting clays archery wilderness survival demos hands-on activities

WILDLIFE • HABITAT

at the

Cyrus Ranch

camping essentials make-and-take-projects flyfishing basics try a new skill prizes and MORE!

near Sisters, Oregon
Only \$5 per person
Lunch is included

## Pre-Registration is required

Online registration begins April 15th and ends on Memorial Day

check our website for registration details:

www.oregonhunters.org/bend-chapter

For more info., call the Bend OHA Youth and Family Activities Coordinator:

Kevin Borst 541-480-7323



## OHA Bend Chapter 2020 Scholarship Application

#### Send Application & Required Documents to:

Oregon Hunters Association.

P.O. Box 6618

Bend, OR 97708

#### Eligibility:

Applicant must:

- Be a graduating high school senior planning to pursue a degree at an accredited institution of higher education as a full-time student or be currently enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student.
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Be a current Oregon resident.
- Submit all scholarship application requirements to the address above postmarked by April 15, 2019.

#### Requirements:

Please provide the following documents to ensure a complete application:

- Completed application form
- Official high school transcript
- Hunting or fishing license number and last year it was validated
- Two letters of recommendation
  - a. One personal reference: non-relative and non-school
  - One professional reference: non-relative, can include school official
- Essay of 1 to 3 pages (select one of the options):
  - Explain how you would protect Oregon's wildlife and habitat.
  - Explain how you would promote and protect the hunting heritage of Oregon
  - Explain the role of hunting and sportsmen in Oregon's wildlife management.

| Name:                  |                              | Age:         |
|------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
|                        |                              |              |
| City:                  |                              |              |
| Phone:                 | Cell:                        | Email:       |
| Current School:        |                              | Current GPA: |
| School you attend/plan | to attend:                   |              |
| Field(s) of study:     |                              |              |
|                        | r leadership positions held: |              |
|                        |                              |              |



#### CALENDAR

<u>Check our website for event dates and</u> <u>any cancellations</u>

March 31st Last day for Oregon's Bird Hunting Preserve Season

April 1st Some of the Spring Bear seasons open. Others open April 15

Aril 4th Hood River Chapter—Youth Turkey Hunting Clinic

April 15th Oregon's General Spring Turkey Season opens

April 15th OHA deadline to nominate state OHA awards.

May 5th Big Game Controlled Hunt Application Deadline (ex Sp Bear)

May 13th May Monthly meeting

May 30th Bend Chapters' Youth & Family Day

July 16-19th Ladies Hunting Camp, La Pine

August 15 Bend chapter OHA Banquet– Riverhouse

ar)





P: 541-385-7791

DERRICK BARKER CONSTRUCTION
CONSTRUCTION, REMODELING BUSINESS

503.260.8962
DerrickBarkerConstruction@gmail.com

The **Bend Chapter** currently has 553 members, down 27 from last month. We are assuming some were expecting to renew at the banquet. Please renew your memberships now so they don't lapse. You don't want to miss out on the latest!

A warm **welcome** to all our new members!

The chapter encourages you to attend the monthly chapter meetings and the many chapter activities.

Get active in OHA and benefit from all that OHA is doing to help.

## **Preserve and Improve Hunting in Oregon!**

## **Monthly Door Prize**

The March door prize winner was **Susan Meyers** of Bend. Susan won a Browning Knife.

Come to the meeting and win!

Seriously Good Stuff





## Mule Deer Banquet Update

The Chapter's Mule Deer Classic banquet was sold out and we were all excited to attend this month. Due to the Coronavirus, the banquet had to be cancelled and all the plans just flew out the window!

We have however rescheduled the MDC Banquet for <u>August 15th</u>, <u>2020</u>. So delayed, but we will be ready to have a celebration! If there are any conflicts with your schedule you can let us know, otherwise we will see you at the Riverhouse August 15th! Due to a few cancellations, we will have a few tickets available for sale. There are also some raffle tickets available, contact John Bambe for tickets.

A heart-felt **Thank You** to all our volunteers and donors for their generosity and hard work! There will be more info in our newsletters and our website to keep you all informed.

We appreciate your patience in this matter and wish good health to all.



Hello Bend OHA

I have been absent from the newsletter for the last couple of months due to family medical issues. I'm happy to be back and sharing thoughts with you.

It has been a very busy week starting on March 12th with the governor's order to shut down any gatherings of more than 250 people in attempt to slow the progress of COVID-19 or Coronavirus. We had our largest fund raising banquet scheduled for March 14. The board had an emergency phone conference to discuss and make some important decisions that are and will affect the chapter and OHA across the state. There are issues that affect OHA now and very possibly in the long term future for up to a year or more.

We were very lucky to be able to reschedule the MDC Banquet to August 15 at the same location. Because of the later date the board is evaluating present and future expenditures to ensure that the chapter stays financially healthy.

Because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic we have cancelled the April membership meeting. As time goes on the board will continue to evaluate the progression of the pandemic and how it will affect future scheduled events. Check the chapters' web page (<a href="https://oregonhunters.org/bend-chapter/">https://oregonhunters.org/bend-chapter/</a>) or our Facebook Page for any future changes or cancellations. Our focus is on the health of our membership, our guests and to do what we can to help stop the spread of this virus.

We are coming into the chapters' annual election process of officers. We take nominations in May and June and vote at the June Membership Meeting. Of course if the elections have to be postponed due to cancelled meetings we will hold them at the next held meeting. We have four positions opening and one unfilled position still open. The positions up of election are President, 2nd Vice President, Treasurer and 1st Member at Large - Media. The unfilled position is for Secretary. We encourage all of our membership to get involved in the chapter and serve as an officer/board member. It's a great way to serve and be a part of the chapter's voice. Please give some consideration to getting involved. Come to a meeting and run for a leadership position.

Thank you Bob Dixon Chapter President

#### **News updates**

We have received the proposed ODFW Migratory Game Bird Regulation Consideration for 2020/21 Hunting Season—They are scheduled to be adopted on April 17. Public comments need to be in before then for consideration.

#### **USFS Notifications**

Bend –Fort Rock announcing a public scoping period for the Klone Vegetation Management Project which encompasses over 34K acres. Comment period closes April 6.

Bend– Fort Rock announcing a public scoping period for the Bend Lava Lands Paved Path Project. Comment period closes April 2.

Bend- Fort Rock announcing an update of Cave Resource Forest Order proposal. Comment period closes by April 2

We received a legislative alert from State OHA announcing by email that the Senate Republican walkout that was done over the Cap & Trade Bill stopped a vote and if continued will help kill gun bills for this season. There are five bills that OHA is watching and four initiatives they are watching that are awaiting responses from the courts that were filed by OHA and others.

We received a notice from OFF that they had filed a challenge to the certified ballot title for IP60.

We received a forwarded email originally from the Oregon Legislative Sportsman's Caucus with a list of bills they are watching and will act on if needed. There is an array of issues they are watching.

## **OHA Donation requests**

The Bend chapter has had donation requests from various organizations and groups for this year. The board and membership read, voted and approved several donations, assuming the proceeds would come from our annual banquet this month. Since our banquet has been postponed until August of this year due to the Coronavirus, we have had to notify most of these organizations that funding cannot happen until after the banquet has been held. Some of the approved organizations are:

- Raise Em' Outdoors Camp
- Oregon 4H Shooting Sports
- Three Rivers Archers
- Crooked River Grass Land Winter Range signs
- Ladies' Outdoor Hunting Camp
- Big Horn Ram TIP award
- ONGYCP
- Heart of Oregon

We appreciate everyone's patience in this matter and hope we get back to business as usual as soon as possible.















May Speaker
(please check our website for confirmation of meeting dates)

Our May speaker will be Andy Geissler with the American Forest Resource Council.

Andy will have input on the perspective of the American Forest Resource Council on Federal Management of Natural Resources.

Oregon Hunters association is a (c) (3) non-profit corporation. While this has its benefits (we don't pay taxes and donations to us are tax-deductible) this tax status limits our political activity:

- We may NOT endorse or denounce ANY political candidates or parties
- We may NOT donate to any partisan campaign or donate to a PAC that supports parties or candidates
- We may NOT use our events or publications to raise funds or rally support for candidates, parties or PACS

Ballot measures are different.

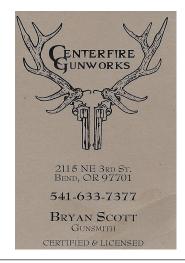
## Board officer elections will be held at the May monthly meeting.

Positions open for elections are;

- President
- 2nd Vice president
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- 1st Member at large- Media

If you'd like to run for a position please contact a current board member for duty information and to answer any questions.

Please attend the meeting to vote for your board members.













## Treasurer's Report

John Bambe reported that the current Bend Chapter's OHA checking account balance was \$57,031.00 as of March 1, 2020.

Come to the meetings and hear what OHA is doing for you and your hunting rights!

Proceeds from our annual banquet help fund habitat projects and the preservation of wildlife and keep a watchful eye on legislation. Get involved. We are tomorrows hunters and we care!





## **OHA Bend Chapter Officers**

| President                       | Bob Dixon        | (503) 572-2805 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1st VP                          | Doug Stout       | (541) 312-8332 |
| 2nd VP                          | Charlie Cookson  | (541) 280-7525 |
| Treasurer                       | John Bambe       | (541) 480-9848 |
| Secretary                       | Wendy Dixon      | (503) 572-2806 |
| At Large (Youth Adv)            | JR Lorimor       | (541) 420-2741 |
| At-Large (Youth Events          | (541) 480-7323   |                |
| At-Large (Media)                | Bob Buddenbohn   | (817) 470-7018 |
| Project Coordinator             | Joe Giacinto III | (541) 410-4555 |
| Paulina Projects<br>Coordinator | Fred Newton      | (541) 389-1321 |
| Banquet Chair                   | Susan Myers      | (541) 639 5024 |
| Past President                  | Bill Littlefield | (541) 429-2950 |
| Youth President                 | Brock Guthrie    | (541)-699-8330 |

### Website:

http://oregonhunters.org/bend-chapter









#### DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Bend

300 NW Franklin Avenue, Bend, Oregon, 97701, USA TEL: +1-541-317-9292 FAX: +1-541-317-9090





## March Membership Raffle

The name drawn for \$350.00 worth of Sporting equipment was **Charlie Crookson!** 

Yes, Charlie was present, so he gets to go shopping!

YOU HAVE TO BE AT THE MEETING TO WIN!



**Beauty in nature** 

How are we doing? Please sent comments and photos to: dixichick1@icloud.com







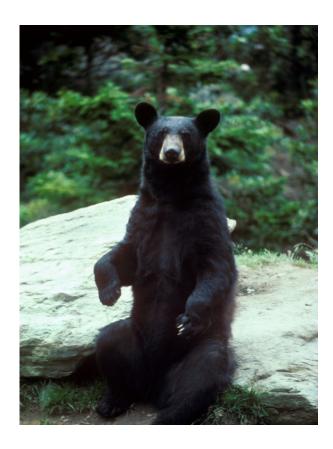




OREGON HUNTER'S ASSOCIATION BEND CHAPTER P.O. BOX 6618 BEND, OR 97708

Return Service Requested

NON-PROFIT ORG. U.S. POSTAGE **PAID** MEDFORD, OR PERMIT NO. 425



Visit our website: https://oregonhunters.org/bend-chapter