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Our President & Vice President inform us — Point Savers— you can now purchase point savers for your controller hunts if you did not do it earlier this year.

Change Notice—At our July Board meeting, we made a change the Chapter Meeting Quarterly Gun Drawing rules. We added an amendment stating that you can only win once during the calendar year. If you happen to win then your name will not be a valid entry for the rest of the year and if it were to be drawn again, we would set it aside and draw until a different name is drawn.

Our 2023 annual fundraising banquet date is March 25, 2023 at the Wingspan Event Center in Hillsboro (Washington County Fair Complex).

You can call or email Melody Kind to reserve your seats now prices are for Youth Dinner 6-17 yrs \$25 each, Adult Dinner only \$65 each, Adult Dinner Pkg + \$50 in gen raffle tickets is \$115, 2 Adults Dinner Pkg 2 Dinners + \$100 gen Raffle tickets is \$175. To reserve a Table of 8 with 8 Dinners, \$100 in gen raffle tickets x 8, plus One Rifle Winner per Table is \$1260. The flyer will be out in later newsletters however there is one that's online at our webpage www.TualatinValleyOHA.com or that were in previous newsletters



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Making a Difference in Air

THANK YOU to Amy Patrick for speaking at our July Chapter Meeting.



Amy has been with OHA for 3 years. Amy started as the Outreach Coordinator and with the retirement of Al Elkins, our longtime OHA Lobbyist, has moved into the Policy Director position. Amy grew up on a sixth generation farm in the foothills of the Cascades, has an AS in Agriculture and has done a lot of advocacy work to protect and promote Oregon's hunting heritage. Amy is currently the Chair for the ODFW Access & Habitat State Board, the President for Oregon Sportsmen's Caucus

Foundation and the President of the newly formed Oregon Sportsmen's Conservation Partnership. Amy presented the OHA Legislative & Policy update for us and here is a recap;

OHA Legislative & Policy Update

In the short session the **Wildlife Crossings Bill** appropriated \$7 million in funds for ODOT to continue to put in Wildlife Crossings to help keep Oregon roadways safer for us and wildlife. **SB 1546** Establishes Elliott State Research Forest consisting of lands formerly constituting Elliott State Forest passed and moved through.

We have the **Wildlife Commission Restructure** coming up for 2023.

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Funding—this is to establish in-state testing for **CWD** as currently all testing is sent to Colorado State University and often having a 4+ week turn around for results.

IP13 has been withdrawn however they turned around refiled **IP3** which is the same petition with the wording of How We End Animal Cruelty. They have made a few changes but **it is still attempting to criminalize hunting, fishing and trapping**. Their term for animal means any nonhuman mammal, bird, reptile, amphibian or fish. They need to 112,020 signatures by July 5, 2024 to gain the 2024 ballot. If this passed it would definitely have economic implications as we would have to purchase pretty much all meat products from out of state. Our ranchers or farmers could not raise animals for meat including fish, and milking dairy cows would be sexually assaulting them even though milking them helps them. You could not kill a mouse, rat, mole, snake, coyote, beaver, gopher or anything — they must die of natural causes. **What can we do?** We can make sure hunters are registered to vote and urge them to vote. Don't sign anything for IP3 and make sure that everyone in your circle knows about this petition and that it is coming in as a bill against animal cruelty but would have catastrophic economic repercussions to all Oregonians. **CONTINUED**

On our November 2022 Ballot

IP17 did make the ballot as the Gun Violence Reduction Act. IP17 Imposes a new, additional permit system in order to purchase a firearm, requires safety training in both classroom and live-fire, a complete background check, fingerprint and photo database to track permit holders and they also tacked on that it prohibits possession or use of magazines that hold more than 10 rounds. While a reduction in gun violence sounds good, there are concerns specifically that IP17 doesn't mention where funding will come from, who is going to build/ buy, administer and manage this new database and who gets access to our information and how is it going to be used? Also who is in charge of training and managing training and paying for said required training?

IP18 also made the ballot it Prohibits manufacturing, possessing and transferring many semiautomatic firearms. It includes a list of more than a 100 models of handguns, rifles, shotguns and 10 generalized categories of semi-auto firearms. IP18 also suggests to prohibit the use of covered firearms for practice and target shooting expressly permitted under federal law on federal public lands such as the national forests and BLM lands, which comprise almost 50 percent of Oregon's land.

> Howl For Wildlife is a non-profit corporation borne out of a grassroots effort where individuals worked to quickly end S.B. 252, a bill that could have further devastated

hooved mammal populations and removed all black bear management in California. Howl For Wildlife is the first action oriented portal where organizations, brands and individuals can work together as one pack, one HOWL to protect wildlife & science based management practices. You can go there and send out pre-drafted emails (which you can edit if you like) to decision makers surrounding the subject that you would like to take action on. Go to howlforwildlife.org and check it out.



Above (L) Carson Conrad and above (M) Weston Keller both caught their first salmon out fishing with their grandparents. Above (R) Corey Kind and his nice Ling caught in Tillamook Bay.

Below we have our Mountainview High School Clay Target Club competing at the State competition.





Congratulations to our local High School Clay Target Club shooters at the State competition held at the Hillsboro Trap & Skeet Club. Above left is Brady Hadfield who took 1st in JV, above left Joel Stadelman took 3rd in JV Mens and Hunter Gilbert took 1st in JV Mens. Right Troy Tovey shot 94 two days in a row at Nationals and also earned his 25 straight patch. Below is the Aloha High School Clay Target Club.





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