



Umpqua Chapter

Protecting Our Hunting Heritage

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FEBRUARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We kicked off the year with our first member meeting at ODFW with Dominic Rocco, ODFW Biologist. Dominic spoke about the cougar management plan and what is currently being done within the target area. This year ODFW will remove 30 cats from within the local target area which is primarily east of I-5. They have one more year left in this program and then will study the effect of the removal of these cats on the deer and elk populations within that area.

Thank you, Dominic for presenting this information to the membership.

We had a lucky winner this month. Rob Hughey won the chapter meeting gun, a .50 cal muzzleloader. Congratulations Rob!!! Remember if you don't attend the meetings you do not have a chance to win the gun.

The board/banquet committee is working hard to put together a banquet this year. Since we did not host a banquet last year, we are very excited to see everyone on April 22nd at Seven Feathers Hotel & Casino Resort. If you would like to attend the banquet, please fill out and return the enclosed registration. Remember that all Early Bird Tickets must be purchased by March 22nd. Hope to see you all there.

If you are interested in having your hunting, fishing, camping or outdoor photos in this year's slideshow please send them to cindyrooneyoha@outlook.com.

Don't forget to volunteer to work at this year's Sportsmans Show at the Douglas County Fairgrounds, February 17, 18 and 19th. If you are interested in helping with the chapter's booth please contact Tadd Moore at (541) 430-6353. Hope to see you there.

This month's meeting is sure to be a good one. Bill Griffin will be on hand to share information and pictures regarding his Moose hunt and Eston Hughey will put on a presentation regarding the proposed

Crater Lake Wilderness issue. Remember the meetings are the third Tuesday of the month at the ODFW Building on Diamond Lake Blvd., at 7:00 p.m.

It is that time again. Time for Board and Officer Elections. The following people have been nominated so far:

- Vice President - Tadd Moore
- Treasurer - Debbie Moore
- Board Position #2 - Kelly Forney
- Board Position #4 - Bill Jackson
- Board Position #6 - Bill Griffin
- Board Position #7 - Richard Scott
- Board Position #9 - Jim Fields



If you are interested in being nominated or nominating someone for one of the above positions, please present your nomination at the February 21st board meeting. Ballots will be in the March newsletter and will be counted at the April membership meeting.

Thank you,
Cindy Rooney
Umpqua OHA President

CINDY ROONEY RUNNING FOR STATE SOUTHWEST DIRECTOR POSITION

Hello Umpqua Chapter Members:

The Umpqua Chapter board is thrilled to announce that we have nominated our Chapter President Cindy Rooney for the currently open position of Southwest Director.

Cindy has been serving OHA and the Umpqua Chapter in various positions for over 20 years. The board feels strongly that Cindy would be an extremely important and influential addition to OHA on a state level.

We hope that you will join the Umpqua Chapter board in supporting Cindy in this new endeavor. Please remember that your vote does make a difference and believe that with Cindy in this new position she will help the state board and all of OHA accomplish great things.

Sincerely,
Umpqua Chapter Board



Below is Cindy's Statement:

My name is Cindy Rooney and I am running for the position of Southwest Director #1.

I grew up in Glide, Oregon, in a logging and ranching family that loved to hunt. After graduating from

Glide High School, I attended Eastern Oregon State University in LaGrande where I studied rangeland science and agribusiness. After returning home, I attended Umpqua Community College and now work as the probate assistant at Dole, Coalwell, the oldest law firm in Douglas County.

Upon my return to Roseburg (approximately twenty-two years ago) I met my husband, Jerry Rooney, also an avid hunter, and joined the Umpqua OHA Chapter. I was immediately enlisted by a fellow hunting friend to serve on the chapter banquet committee. Since that time, I have served as a chapter board member for approximately twenty-one years and as the Umpqua OHA Chapter President for approximately eleven years. During the term of my service, our chapter has hosted many successful banquets, worked with federal agencies regarding travel management issues in our area and most recently tackled the proposed Crater Lake Wilderness. We have also worked hard on other issues in our area ranging from litter problems to removal of fences on the Umpqua National Forest.

As the Umpqua OHA Chapter President, I draft our chapter's monthly newsletters, manage the board of directors, chair the banquet committee, attend meetings with the Forest Service, BLM and ODFW in our area, schedule speakers for our chapter meetings, and help organize a chapter picnic every year. Wildlife populations, access to public lands and hunting are all near and dear to my heart. I have committed the last twenty-one years to working for the Umpqua OHA Chapter, and I look forward to the opportunity of serving at the state level as your Southwest Director.

*Sincerely,
Cindy Rooney*

SPEAKERS FOR 2017

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| February 21 | Bill Griffin re: Moose Hunt and Eston Hughey re: Proposed Crater Lake Wilderness |
| March 21 | Bruce Graven OSU Extension Office canning techniques |
| April 18 | Dennis Gibson re: How to take care of your trophy in the field |
| April 22 | Umpqua OHA Banquet at Seven Feathers Hotel & Casino Resort Doors open at 4 p.m. |
| May 16 | OSP re: Poaching Cases |
| June 20 | To Be Announced |
| July 18 | OHA Picnic at Roseburg Rod N Gun Club |

Meetings are held the third (3rd) Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the ODFW Building on Diamond Lake Blvd. We look forward to seeing you there.

TERRITORIAL YOUTH DEER HUNT A SUCCESS

Youth hunters had good success last fall during the Territorial Youth Deer Hunt. The hunt is held on private timberland owned by Giustina Resources, and is open to hunting through a grant from ODFW's Access & Habitat Program and with help from OHA. Youth hunters who drew a 620T2 tag were allowed to hunt on weekends in November. Katelyn Cook of North Bend was one of the hunters. "We saw so many deer, big herds of does and quite a few bucks, it was really fun. I wanted to get a big buck so I passed up some smaller ones, and then when I did see a big one it got away. I got so excited when I saw a big buck that I got buck fever! I was getting discouraged but my dad said don't give up! We hunted several more days and I ended up getting a doe, but that's OK, it was a good experience and I learned to not get discouraged and to keep on trying. I am writing a letter to Giustina thanking them for letting me hunt on their land." The youth hunters did well this year – 10 tags were issued and 8 deer were bagged, 5 bucks and 3 does. Black-tailed deer are not easy, so this was good work! The Umpqua Chapter donates \$500 per year and the Emerald Valley Chapter donates \$350 per year to help Giustina administer the hunt.

Submitted by:

Vince Oredson

Assistant District Wildlife Biologist and

Southwest Region Coordinator of the Access & Habitat Program



Katelyn Cook of North Bend