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**** Backflow incidents and articles:**

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Tennessee Backflow News

Spring 2003



**NEXT
MEETING**

**10:00 AM
Wednesday
April 2,
2003
Nashville, TN
225 Ben Allen Rd.**

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President's Message

By Larry Stinnett

I would like to welcome the three new directors to the TBPA Board. East Tennessee director Kent Bowman brings distribution and backflow program knowledge to the Board. West Tennessee director Lloyd Rainey brings knowledge in backflow equipment and years of experience in dealing with the backflow industry. Middle Tennessee director Wayne Cook brings everything to the Board. This guy has ideas up his sleeve. If you want a job done Wayne is your man. As you can tell, I'm excited with the new directors. These three directors will prove to be very valuable to TBPA in the coming days.

As I write this message I have thoughts of the Board working on the State manual. The East Tennessee committee will meet on February 5th to finalize Section 3. I sincerely hope the industry is as excited about updating the manual as I am. The Conference committee is diligently working on the Conference to be held in Nashville in October. Make your plans to attend now.

I encourage every member to get involved in your association. We must work hard to accomplish great things. I would like to send a "Thank You" to Eddie O'Neill and the rest of the Board for a very good meeting during my absence.

2003 Conference Nashville

The eight annual Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association Conference will be held in Nashville, Tennessee on Thursday and Friday, October 16 and 17, 2003.

The Conference will be held at the Hilton Suites, which is located in the heart of downtown Nashville. The Hilton is a new, upscale, full-service all-suites hotel. The hotel is situated across the street from The Gaylord Entertainment Center, The Nashville Convention Center and The Country Music Hall of Fame.

Each morning guests will enjoy a full cooked-to-order complimentary breakfast buffet and in the evening tickets will be given for the two-hour beverage reception. There are also top-notch dining options, ranging from the casual Market Street and Parkview restaurants to the World-Renown Steak House "The Palm". The business center provides guests with an office away from home. The fitness center and indoor pool are certain to provide guests with plenty of workout opportunities or just a chance to relax. In the heart of "Music City USA" — It Happens at the Hilton!

Each suite contains a microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and ironing board, clock radio, two televisions, etc.

For reservations call: 1-615-620-1000 or visit online at www.hilton.com.

Directions: All interstates (I-65, I-40, I-24) connect to the downtown area. Exit on Demonbreun and drive toward the downtown area. Take a left on 4th Avenue. The Hilton is immediately on the left.

Current rate is \$139 per night (That rate may decrease depending on registered guests).

More information will be available in future newsletters.

Upcoming Events

- May 4-7, 2003 — 19th Annual ABPA International Conference - Detroit, MI
- October 16-17, 2003 — TBPA Annual Conference - Hilton Suites Nashville, Downtown - Nashville, TN

Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association



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Opinions expressed in articles, letters or advertisements in this publication are not necessarily those endorsed or supported by the TBPA. The content of this newsletter is not to be considered as legal or professional advice. Dues are \$50 annually, and are payable to the TBPA Treasurer. Annual dues include \$20 for Tennessee and \$30 for National ABPA dues. National membership is required for Tennessee membership.

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TBPA BOARD MEETINGS

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Meet the 1st Wednesday of each Quarter at the JATC Building, 225 Ben Allen Rd., Nashville, TN
All Members Welcome

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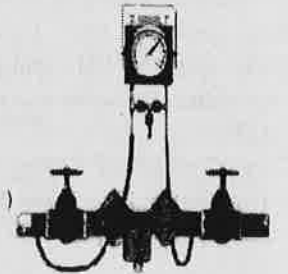
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Backflow Prevention Assembly Repair Class

Who: Joint Effort of Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association and Fleming Training Center
What: 2003 Quarterly Backflow Prevention Assembly Repair Classes
 Each quarter features a different manufacturer's products
When: May 13, 2003 8:30-4:00 Featuring Watts Products
 August 5, 2003 8:30-4:00 Featuring Febco Products
 November 13, 2003 8:30-4:00 Featuring Ames Products
Where: Fleming Training Center, 2022 Blanton Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37129 - (615) 898-8090
Contact: Brent Ogles at (615) 898-8090 or Wayne Cook at (931) 684-5998



Classes feature the following:

- Double Check Valve Assemblies, Reduced Pressure Principle Assemblies, Vacuum Breakers
- Repair of varying device sizes from 3/4" to 4". All devices on State approved list.
- Drawings and handouts available.
- Explanation of assemblies and parts used in repair
- Complete repair of devices and tools needed
- When to repair and when to replace
- What should be replaced when a device fails
- Other products included in some classes, i.e. Thermal Expansion Chamber, etc.
- Continuing Education Credits will be given

Don't miss the opportunity to expand your knowledge on these valuable topics regarding Backflow Prevention Assembly Repair.

No cost but class size is limited and **registration is required.**

Please use registration form below, indicating the date (or dates) you wish to attend.



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 Training Class / Seminar Registration

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Only One Person and One Class/Seminar Per Registration Form!

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*In order to complete our administrative activities, we have to ask for certain personal identifying information. It is required that you submit this information under state and federal law, T.C.A. §36-5-711 and 42 USC §654a. This information is for the use of the department and is not disclosed to the public. Your social security number is required for registering or enrolling in classes when the registrant is a certified operator. It is optional whether you comply with any other request we make for a social security number.

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Meet the New Board Members

Kent Bowman, the new East Tennessee Director, has worked at First Utility District of Knox County in Knoxville, Tennessee since 1993. His duties in the position of Codes Enforcement include annual testing and retesting of backflow assemblies. He holds a Grade II Distribution License, a Cross Connection License and works as a proctor for the State Cross Connection Control classes. Kent is single and lives in Harriman, Tennessee. He enjoys fishing and is the president of the Caney Creek Bass Club of Roane County.

Lloyd Rainey, the new West Tennessee Director, worked for many years with Watts Regulator as a Manufacturer's Representative. He was responsible for facilitating backflow schools and presentations in Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi. Since 1997 he has worked with Mid-America Marketing, which is wholly dedicated to backflow education, and training. Lloyd has a Bachelor's degree from the University of Memphis and is certified in Backflow Testing through the University of Florida. He holds the following memberships: Mississippi and Arkansas Rural Water, ABPA, ASPE, TAUD and USC.

Wayne Cook, the new Middle Tennessee Director has worked at Shelbyville Power Water & Sewer System in Shelbyville, Tennessee since 1999. He is the Cross Connection Coordinator and holds a Grade 2 Distribution License along with a Cross Connection License. He is currently working with the Fleming Training Center to organize the Backflow Assemblies Repair classes. Wayne is married and lives in Bell Buckle, Tennessee. He has three children, seven grandchildren, and when he has time enjoys fly-fishing.

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TBPA BOARD MEETING UPDATE JANUARY 8, 2003

The TBPA Board voted and approved the uncontested nominations for new directors. They are Wayne Cook of Shelbyville to the position of Middle Director, Kent Bowman to East Director, Lloyd Rainey to West Director and Mike Trigg to Director at Large.

The Board wishes to thank all the previous directors for their service to the association. All your hard work is greatly appreciated. Also, congratulations to the new directors. Thank you for your willingness to serve in this capacity.

The cross connection classes at the Fleming Training Center continue to be filled to capacity. Proctor training classes to be held at the center are being developed. The board voted to assume an official opinion on the use of proctors. TBPA Board recommends that all training facilities use third party proctors, from either paid or volunteer sources.

The changes to the cross connection manual presented by each section were discussed. There will be another sessions to compile all the changes and make the manual flow consistently.

REPAIR CLASS

The first Backflow Prevention Assembly Repair Class had 50 people in attendance and was a great success. The class was lead by Mr. Jon A. Everett with the Wilkins Company. Handouts, computer disc information and a Certificate of Completion were given to each attendee.

If you have not signed up for the remaining classes there is still time. Each class can accommodate 100 people and all classes have space is available. Use the registration form found in this Newsletter. Remember, continuing education credits will be given for attendance.

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