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- ** Information about backflow prevention: www.abpa.org/backflow.htm
 - ** Information about water quality: www.epa.gov/305b/sum1.html
- ** Safe Drinking Water Act guidance documents: http://tis-nt.eh.doe.gov/oepa/guidance/sdwa.htm
 - ** Backflow incidents and articles: www.abpa.org/incidents.htm



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NEXT BOARD MEETING

6:00 PM Wednesday Oct. 13, 2004

River Terrace Resort Gatlinburg, TN

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TBPA Mission Statement

The mission of the Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association is to protect drinking water quality in the State of Tennessee by providing for education, statewide training, standardized certification, technical assistance and resources to our membership and the general public.

President's Message

By Eddie O'Neill
It's Conference Time

This year's TBPA Conference is less than a month away. We have a great group of speakers and the best location in Tennessee, The Great Smoky Mountains. We are anticipating our biggest conference yet. If you haven't registered, please hurry.

TDEC is reviewing our proposed revisions to the State Cross Connection Control Manual (some of you know it as the "Yellow Book"). We hope to hear from them during the conference.

Call for Nominations

Middle TN Director

If you are interested in this position or have someone you want to nominate contact Wayne Cook at 931-684-5713 or waynecook@blomand.net. You may also use the Nominations form located in this newsletter.

New Administration Survey Class

I will be speaking at the TBPA Conference this year on the new CD we have produced for the New Administration Survey Class that will be conducted in November of this year. This CD has been created to assist the water purveyors in their Cross-Connection Programs. The CD contains many helpful items such as, standard letters that can be rewritten to fit your needs, different types of forms, copies of various ordinances, a copy of the state manual, drawings on installation of backflow devices and other information that can be used to develop an individual program.

The most interesting aspect is an Access formatted program to help a water purveyor control their Cross-Connection Program. With this Access program you will be able to track your customers and all the devices associated with that customer. For example: the information on each device - Pass, Fail, Testing Due Dates and much more.

Please make arrangements to attend the Conference this year and see what this CD can do for your Cross-Connection Program.

Wayne Cook

New TBPA Members

Welcome to our newest members. TBPA is delighted to have the following individuals join us. Please remember to register for our upcoming Conference in Gatlinburg.

Bill Hardin – Knoxville Utilities Board - Knoxville, TN Doug Snapp - Rogersville Water Dept. - Rogersville, TN Paul Perry - Toddco Sales - Nashville, TN Sammy Galloway - Southern Backflow & Plumbing -Memphis, TN

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Chuck Davis - \$35 Backflow Testing - Knoxville, TN
Kelly Powell - Columbia Water System - Columbia, TN
Jerry Seaton - Jackson Energy Authority - Jackson, TN
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Upcoming Events

TBPA Annual Conference

October 14th & 15th River Terrace, Gatlinburg, TN

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January 5th
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All other info requests, inquiries, and newsletter advertisements contact:

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OCTOBER 14TH & 15TH I H U K S D A Y - F K I D A Y CONFERENCE AGENDA

2004

CONFERENCE

Thursday, Oct. 14 - 7:30 AM to 8:30 PM Friday, Oct. 15 - 8:30 AM to NOON

Resort and Convention Center 240 River Road Gatlinburg, TN 37738

River Terrace

Opening Session (Eddie O'Neill) Exhibits Open Wayne Cook Thursday, October 14, 2004 Registration Brian Burns Break -10:45 AM -10:30 AM -11:30 AM 7:30 AM—8:30 AM -9:00 AM 8:30 AM-10:45 AM-

Fravis Aslinger Kenneth Roger Mike Trigg Lunch -12:00 PM 3:30 PM -2:00 PM 11:30 AM-12:00 PM-2:00 PM-2:45 PM-

4:00 PM

Announcements

& Door Prizes -6:00 PM -7:00 PM 4:00 PM-

Awards Banquet Entertainment Social Hour (Cash Bar) 7:00 PM—8:30 PM 6:00 PM-

(Exhibits Open) Registration Brian Burns Friday, October 15, 2004 9:45 AM—10:45 AM 8:30 AM--9:00 AM 9:00 AM--9:45 AM

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 Middle Tennessee Director of TBPA Wayne Cook

- Division of Water Supply Travis Aslinger

Vice President of Morristown Kenneth Rogers — Vice P. Automatic Sprinkler Company

Mike Trigg — TBPA Director-At-Large - Pipe Fitters Local 572 Nashville

- ABPA Region 3 Director Ronnie West

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TBPA Members - \$125

Before October 14

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Closing Session

Ronnie West

10:45 AM—11:30 AM 11:30 AM—12:00AM

(Door Prizes)

NOMINATION FOR TBPA AWARDS

Please look at all categories and nominate someone per category.

- 1.) A company or water purveyor that does work with-in the field of cross connection and promoting TBPA.
- 2.) A person that does outstanding works with-in the cross-connection program or the Backflow industry.
- 3.) A person that has contributed outstanding works with-in the TBPA origination.

Nomination for Category Number 1	
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You may call or Fax me at 1-931-684-5713 or e-mai	l me at <u>waynecook@blomand.net</u> with your nominations.

Answers To "Test Your Skills" For June

Here are the answers to the last Test Your Skills. Let's see how many you have right.

1.) C	5.) A	9.) B	13.) E
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3.) C	7.) C	11.) D	15.) A
4.) D	8.) E	12.) B	

Tennessee Training Calendar

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation - Cross Connection Control Training Classes

Fleming Training Center 2022 Blanton Drive Murfreesboro, TN 37129 615-898-8090

http://www.state.tn.us/environment/dca/fleming.htm

The classes offered by the Fleming Training Center are free of charge to any person who wishes to attend. Written registration is required, however, a minimum of thirty days in advance of the class. Confirmation letters for all classes/seminars will be sent out to registrants approximately three weeks prior to class and will contain pertinent details regarding exact location, class content, and materials. For information on class content for Cross Connection Control Workshops call Mr. Brent Ogles at 615-898-8090.

Cross Connection Control Workshop (BASIC) (4 days) (Textbook: None) Classes are at the Fleming Training Center in Murfreesboro unless otherwise indicated. See Schedule Below.

Cross Connection Control Workshop (RENEWAL) (2 days) (Textbook: None) Classes are at the Fleming Training Center in Murfreesboro unless otherwise indicated. See Schedule Below.

Cross Connection Control Classes

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No.

Cross Connection Control Workshop (BASIC)

(3 1/2 or 4 days - dependent upon location)
(Textbook: None; approved procedure sent with confirmation letter)

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- October 18-21 (4 days)
 November 15-18 (4 days)
- January 25-28 (4 days)March 21-24 (4 days)
- April 12-15 Kingsport (3 1/2 days)
 April 26-29 Knoxville (3 1/2 days)

Cross Connection Control Workshop (RENEWAL)
(1 1/2 or 2 days - dependent upon location)

(Textbook: None; approved procedure sent with confirmation letter)

- December 6-7 (2 days)February 7-8 (2 days)
- April 11-12 Kingsport (1 1/2 days)
 April 25-26 Knoxville (1 1/2 days)
 - CCC Coming
 - November 9 Administration & Survey Class (1 day)
 - November 10 Backflow Assembly Repair Class Knoxville (1 day)

 The Tennessee Association of Utility Districts (TAUD): Cross Connection Renewal Classes for Municipalities and Basic Cross Connection Training Classes for contractors are available. Other classes may be available. Contact Greg Baker or Melanie Hammon, 840 Commercial Court, Murfreesboro, TN 37129, (615) 893-9022

 Memphis Light, Gas & Water (MLGW): Classes are held in the greater Memphis Tennessee area on an annual basis. Contact Barbara Taylor or Paulette Swanson, P.O. Box 430, Memphis, TN 38101-0430, (901) 528-4449

Plumbers and Pipefitters, Local 572, Nashville, Tennessee: Backflow Classes for Apprentices and Journeyman, contact Mike Trigg, 225 Ben Allen Rd., Nashville, TN 37207, (615) 227-5542

 Plumbers & Steamfitters, Local #43 JACT: Contact Woody Evans, 3013 Riverside Drive, Chattanooga, TN 37406, (423) 365-9972

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Backflow Prevention Assembly Repair Class & Administration and Survey Classes

Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association and Fleming Training Center Who:

2004 Repair Classes & Administration and Survey Classes What:

When: November 9, 2004 8:30-4:00 **Administration and Survey Class**

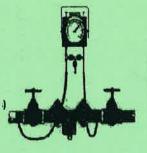
November 10, 2004

8:00-5:00

Repair Class - Febco Products - Knoxville, TN

Where: Fleming Training Center, 2022 Blanton Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Contact: Brent Ogles at (615) 898-8090 or Wayne Cook at (931) 684-5998



Some of the information presented:

- Double Check Valve Assemblies, Reduced Pressure Principle Assemblies, Vacuum Breakers
- Repair of varying device sizes from 3/4" to 4".
- Drawings and handouts available.
- Explanation of assemblies and parts used in repair
- · Complete repair of devices and tools needed

- When to repair and when and what to replace Starting a Cross Connection Control Program
- Forms and documents for program administration
- Survey instructions and advice
- CD with all covered information
- Continuing Education Credits will be given

Don't miss the opportunity to expand your knowledge on these valuable topics regarding CCC Programs and 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.



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION Training Class / Seminar Registration

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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

Register early! Written registration is required for all classes and seminars. Registrants will be mailed specific information as to location, times, etc., approximately three (3) weeks prior to class. Complete the form below and mail or fax at least thirty (30) days prior to class to: Fleming Training Center - 2022 Blanton Drive - Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Fax: (615) 898-8064 (All faxes should be printed or type written.)

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TBPA East Section News

The East Section of TBPA, along with Toddco Sales, will sponsor a Repair Class on November 10th at Knoxville Utility. The class will cover repair of Febco products and will be conduction by representative Michael Ray. Todd Ausbrooks with Toddco Sales will be on hand to assist and will be furnishing lunch for participants. The class is free but space is limited to 55 so you must register early. To register, get directions or obtain more information call: Kent Bowman at 865-966-9741 or Larry Stinnett at 865-688-3171.

2004 Annual TBPA Conference

The East Section is finalizing the details for the Annual Conference in Gatlinburg. A flyer has been mailed to all members and one is included in this newsletter. If you have not called to reserve your room at the hotel please do so now. The conference will be held at the River Terrace REsort and Convention Center at 240 River Road. You cannot make your reservations online. In order to receive the group rate you will get the best response by calling (865) 436-5161. Be sure to mention you will be attending the TBPA Conference.

The River Terrace is located next door to the Ripley's Aquarium in the center of Gatlinburg. The hotel contains an in-house restaurant with features such as a country breakfast buffet every morning and a Friday night seafood and prime rib buffet. Room fee is \$74.00 per night for Wednesday, October 13th through Saturday, October 16th.

Here's how to get there: Take I-40 to Exit 407. Follow the signs through Sevierville, Pigeon Forge, and to Gatlinburg. When you enter Gatlinburg, follow the main road and signs to the Tennessee Aquarium. The River Terrace Resort is adjacent to the Aquarium.

TBPA West Section News

It is a well-understood fact of membership marketing that it is easier and more cost effective to keep a member rather than to recruit a new one. Membership retention should be a major focus of TBPA. Members will often not pay their dues for a variety of reasons. Disgruntled members are walking testimonials why each non-participating member has left the chamber. Even if a member cannot be retained, the fact that someone took the time to contact him/her may go a long way to relieve negative feelings about the chapter and the membership experience. This simple act will often pave the way for the individual to rejoin at some later date.

West Tenn. Director Lloyd Rainey

TBPA Middle Section News

Water purveyors in Bedford, Moore, Marshall, Rutherford and Coffee Counties came together and put on a daylong workshop. The purpose of the workshop was to inform contractors, maintenance personnel and the general public about the cross connection program in each county.

Vendors were on hand to help anyone with information and advice concerning their backflow devices. Each vendor had time to show how to repair their devices and what were new on the market. Also, vendors from Hot Box, Safe-T-Cover and G & C Enclosures were available with materials, demonstrations and valuable information.

Speakers included: Doug Sanders from Moore County who discussed the role of thermal expansion. David Money from Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation who talked about what state inspectors look for when they inspect water purveyors. Travis Aslinger from TDEC spoke about the state school and cross connection classes held at the Fleming Training Center. Brian Devine from Hot Box who discussed how to protect a backflow device that is installed outside. Lori LeMaster from the Tennessee Dept. of Health discussed what the state health inspectors look for during their inspections of restaurants and cafeterias. Wayne Waggoner from Tri-State Sprinkler System was on hand to discuss backflow devices and fire protection equipment. In addition to all these speakers, we had Mike Trigg of Plumbers & Pipefitters Union Local 572 to discuss the new state law that will be requiring plumbers to be licensed by the State of Tennessee.

There were 60 to 70 persons in attendance, with lunch and door prizes provided by the sponsors. Everyone had a good time and a lot of information was shared.

By the time you receive this newsletter the Middle section will have completed a Repair Class for the Wilkins Backflow device. The class is to be held on September 14th at the Fleming Training Center. Remember, these classes are free to anyone who wishes to attend.

The New Administrative and Survey class will be conducted on November 9th and will also be at the Fleming Training Center. For this class you will also need to register by using the form found in this newsletter. We feel this class will be informative and helpful for all water purveyors. We will be using the State Manual on cross connection for this class.

If you need more information, please contact Wayne Cook at 1-931-684-5713.

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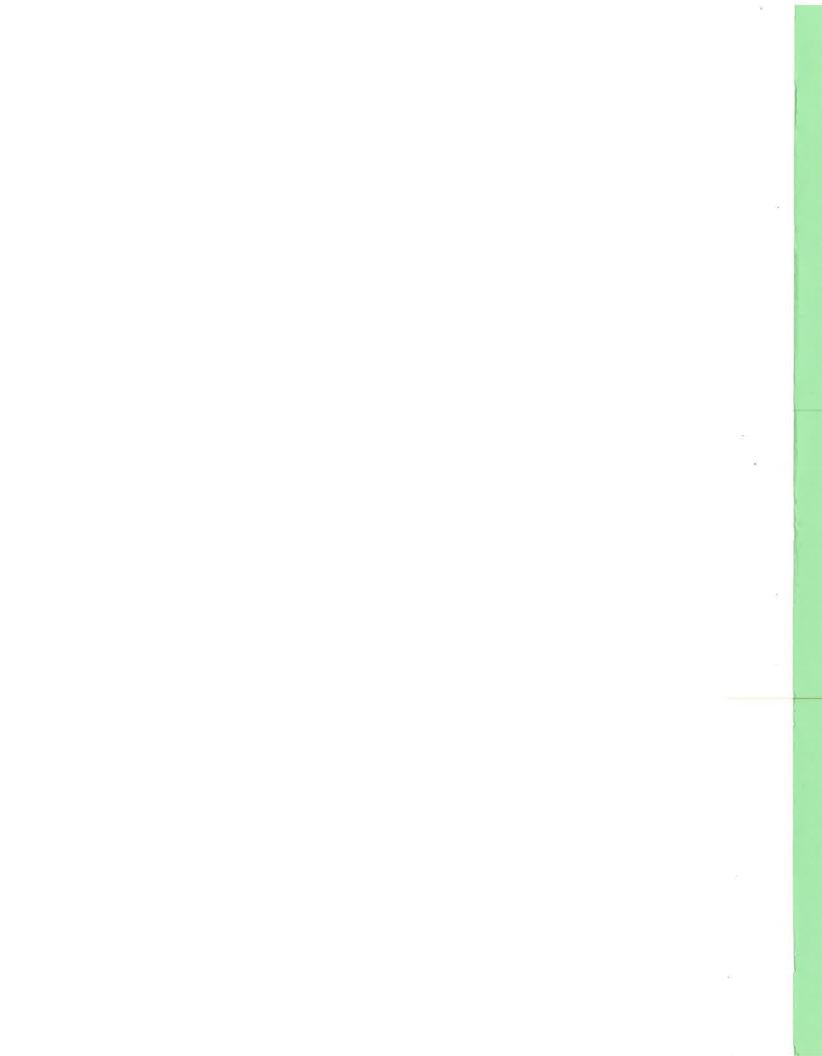
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TBPA BOARD MEETINGS

APRIL 7, 2004 ~ JATC Building, 225 Ben Allen Rd., Nashville, TN Call 615-227-5542 for information. *All Members Welcome*.



TBPA Board Meeting Update July 14, 2004

Proctor Training:

Travis Aslinger with TDEC is working on this training and no dates have been set.

By-Laws Committee:

This committee will meet between now and the next Board meeting.

National and State Conference:

Larry Stinnet reported on the National Conference. The speakers and times have been set for the State Conference in Gatlinburg October 14th and 15th. The theme is geared toward irrigation. Wayne Cook will check on prices of ink pens for Larry.

Nominations Committee/Awards:

Awards presented at the conference will be two individual awards and one utility award. Nominations need to be taken for the Middle Tenn. Director. The deadline for director nominations will be at the conference on October 14th. Both these nomination forms will be in the next newsletter.

Training Committee:

Survey and Administration Class in March was canceled. The November 9th is still on. The August 3rd repair class (Wilkins) has been changed to September 14th at the Fleming Training Center. There will be a repair class (Febco) in Knoxville on November 10th. We would still like to have a representative from TBPA speak at each training class.

ABPA By-Law Changes:

The National association wants to change the by-laws to exclude Directors-at-large from voting. Eddie will contact our regional director and ask about this change. He will find out if chapters will have input in this decision.

New Plumbing Laws:

House Bill No. 724 addresses the new plumbing laws. These changes were discussed.

TBPA Cross Connection Manual:

TBPA Manual is ready and Travis has taken it to present to David Draughon. We hope to have information on this at the conference.

Regional Director Support:

Each year we send \$300 to ABPA to be deposited into the travel account of our regional director. Liba will send in the money.

Newsletter Advertisements:

Angel will send out invoices to the newsletter advertisers.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

It is election time again for the Middle Tennessee Director of TBPA. Please submit all Nominations to Wayne Cook, Nominations Committee Chair, at:

Shelbyville Power, Water & Sewerage System

Attn: Wayne Cook

P.O. Box 530

Shelbyville, TN 37162

Or you may call or Fax me at 1-931-684-5713 with your Nominations. Please submit on or before the 14th of October, 2004.

TBPA NOMINATION FORM

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