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Your Association working for safe drinking water in Tennessee

# Tennessee Backflow News

Fall 2008



### NEXT BOARD MEETING

5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday  
October 1, 2008  
The Chattanooga  
Hotel  
1201 South Broad St.  
Chattanooga, TN

**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

Fellow TBPA Members:

This newsletter is full of important information. I would like to highlight four of the items.

**Quarterly Board Meeting** - October 1st at 5:00 pm at the Chattanooga Hotel is open to all members. Please make plans to attend. We will be voting on the TBPA By Laws changes.

**Resolution No. 5** - Changes in the By Laws listed for your review. These include but are not limited to: Officially changing the name of our chapter to the Tennessee Chapter, detailing individual board member duties and clarifying items on terms of office and the election procedures.

**TBPA Annual Conference** - October 2nd and 3rd - Send in your registration and make your room reservations ASAP.

**Nominations** - We need willing individuals to step forward and serve as the Middle and East TN Directors on the TBPA Board. It takes a lot of work to keep our association running.

Each year the ABPA judges state chapters on their membership, service to chapter members, advancement of the backflow industry and service to the community. The award presented is the Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE). Once again, the Tennessee Chapter was presented with a PACE Award at the National Conference. Thanks to everyone who helped make our chapter a success.

In closing, I would like to personally invite everyone to this year's Annual Conference. Our members always have a good time learning, networking and making friends. We have several vendors who will be participating and many interesting speakers. We look forward to seeing you there!

Larry Stinnett  
President TBPA

### Upcoming Events

**TBPA 12th Annual Conference**  
October 2nd - 3rd  
The Chattanooga Hotel - Chattanooga, TN

**2009 TBPA Board Meetings**  
11:00 a.m.  
Consolidated Utility - Murfreesboro  
January 7th - April 1st - July 8th

### Call for Nominations

#### Middle & East TN Directors

If you are interested in this position or have someone you want to nominate please contact Kent Bowman at 865-966-9741 or [jbowman@bellsouth.net](mailto:jbowman@bellsouth.net).

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# TBPA





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The Tennessee Backflow News is published quarterly by the Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association, whose members have a common interest in protecting the drinking water from contamination through cross connections. Your ideas, experience and expertise are invited and needed by the TBPA to insure a balanced approach to backflow prevention in the State of Tennessee. Your participation and support will continue to help shape the future of this industry in Tennessee.

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 \$70 annually**, and are payable to the TBPA Treasurer. Annual dues include \$20 for Tennessee and \$50 for National ABPA dues. National membership is required for Tennessee membership.

The TBPA Treasurer address is:

**Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association**  
Liba Ford, TBPA Treasurer  
c/o JEA, P.O. Box 68, Jackson, TN 38302

For newsletter advertisements contact:

**Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association**  
Attn: Kitty Banks  
P.O. Box 6338  
Chattanooga, TN 37401

## TBPA East Section News

As many of you know by now, Brent Ogles with the Fleming Training Center in Murfreesboro has retired and now is working for TAUD in Murfreesboro. Also, Travis Aslinger with the Division of Water Supply in Nashville is leaving at the end of September and will be taking a position with Harpeth Valley Utility. Over the years they have helped everyone across the state of Tennessee with Cross Connection Training and Programs. I want to say "Thank You" to both Brent and Travis for all their hard work and I am sure everyone will agree with me when I say you guys did a great job and will be greatly missed.

TBPA had an exhibit booth at the TAUD Annual Business Conference and Exhibit Hall in Gatlinburg on August 6th - 9th. This year's event had another big turnout and many people visited our display, asking questions, receiving information on this year's Annual Conference in Chattanooga and registering for our booth prize of a \$50 Lowe's gift card. Thanks to Dale Reagan from Gatlinburg Utility and Kitty Banks and Steve Betty from Tennessee American Water in Chattanooga for helping me with the exhibit booth.

**Repair Class**  
November 12, 2008 - 8:30 - 4:00 -  
Lunch Provided by Wilkins

**KUB Operations Building - 4505 Middlebrook Pike**

Wilkins will be the featured manufacturer with instructors Mr. Pat Ahearn from Monroe, N.C. who is the Regional Sales Manager for the Wilkins Fire and Waterworks Market and Mr. Johnnie Burns with the Ben O'Neal Company in Chattanooga. They will be covering 3/4"- 6" reduced pressure and double check devices along with parts kits and much more. Continuing Education Credits will be given (6 hours) for Distribution and Collections. If anyone has any questions call me at (865) 966-9741.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Conference and the Repair Class.

Kent Bowman  
East Tennessee Director

## TBPA Web Site

TBPA has recently redesigned its web site. If you haven't visited the new site, please go to [www.tnbackflow.com](http://www.tnbackflow.com) and check it out. We hope this new format will allow you to better access current information concerning TBPA. The site contains the conference flyer, TBPA membership form, contact information and links to other sites. If you have information or suggestions for additions to the site please make a board member aware of your ideas. Our goal is to make this a user-friendly resource for our membership. Thanks to Kitty Banks for making this a success.

**We look forward  
to seeing you  
at the  
TBPA Conference  
2008 on  
October 2nd & 3rd  
in Chattanooga,  
TN**

### TBPA/ABPA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association  
American Backflow Prevention Association

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**ABPA DUES: \$50.00**

**TBPA DUES: 20.00**

**ANNUAL DUES TOTAL: \$70.00**

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*Includes bi-monthly ABPA News Magazine  
and quarterly Tennessee Backflow News  
Pre-payment of dues required to process application.  
Membership is non-transferable. National ABPA membership  
required for state TBPA membership*

### NEW TBPA Members

Welcome to our newest TBPA Members. We look forward to meeting and working with you.

Tom Sullivan

Bruce Hodges

Cody Humphrey

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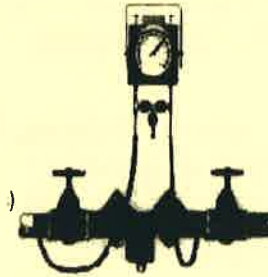
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# Backflow Prevention Assembly Repair Class & Administration and Survey Classes

**Who:** Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association and Fleming Training Center  
**What:** 2008 Repair Classes & Administration and Survey Classes  
**When:** November 12, 2008 8:30-4:30 Repair Class - Wilkins  
 November 13, 2008 8:30-4:30 Administration & Survey Class  
 December 11, 2008 8:30-4:30 Repair Class  
**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.

 <p><b>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION</b>                  Training Class / Seminar Registration</p> <p><b>REGISTRATION REQUIRED</b>                  Only <u>One</u> Person and <u>One</u> Class/Seminar Per Registration Form!</p>			
<p>Register early! Written registration is <u>required</u> for <u>all</u> 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:  <b>Fleming Training Center - 2022 Blanton Drive - Murfreesboro, TN 37129</b>                  Fax: (615) 898-8064 (All faxes should be printed or type written.)</p>			
N/A			
<b>COURSE NUMBER</b>	<b>TITLE OF COURSE</b>	<b>DATES OF COURSE</b>	
<b>(Mr./Ms)</b>			
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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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# TBPA Board Meeting Update - July 9, 2008

**Treasurer's report**  
 Balance \$11,788.44. This total includes an investment CD of \$5,000.00.

**By-laws**  
 Angel presented a revised copy of Resolution No. 5 from the By-laws committee. A second reading was held and approved by the Board. The Resolution will be sent out in the September Newsletter to be voted on by the TBPA membership at the annual conference in October. Members can vote by proxy if not in attendance.

**TBPA Annual Conference 2008**  
 Everything is moving forward. Vendors will be able to set up on Oct. 1st at 5:00 PM. Speakers were finalized. Kitty and Steve will send a schedule to Liba. She will put in the correct format and send to the printer. There needs to be two more members of the Awards committee. Possible members were discussed.

**ABPA National Conference**  
 Larry updated the Board on the conference activities. TBPA won the PACE Award. New awards were added this year for committee chair and director of the year. ABPA will increase their membership rates in January 2009 from \$50 to \$60. The money will be used to complete an ABPA CCC Manual. The 2009 Conference will be in Colorado Springs it will be the 25th Anniversary.

**TBPA Display Board**  
 Display is being made. Larry will email the final look to board members.

**TAUD**  
 The Board approved TBPA joining TAUD - Membership cost \$200. Also approved having an exhibit at the Convention in Gatlinburg on August 7th and 8th - Exhibit Booth cost \$475. Kent and Dale Reagan will man the exhibit booth. Randy will give Kent the TBPA banners to use if needed. Angel will give Kent the PACE Awards. Larry will meet with the New Director and John Hall at the convention to discuss TBPA and TAUD working on joint projects in the future.

**TBPA Web Site**  
 Steve, Liba and Kitty will each get a bid on costs for updating our web site along with quarterly maintenance cost.

**Meeting Time**  
 Noon Board Meeting time is a little late so a time of 11:00 AM was set.

Next meeting - Annual Conference - October 1st at 5:00 PM  
 - The Chattanooga Hotel.  
 Not official minutes.

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# TBPA Conference 2008

Thursday, October 2nd - 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday, October 3rd - 8:30 a.m. to Noon

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TBPA Members \$125 \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Members \$195 \_\_\_\_\_

(Includes TBPA & ABPA membership)

Breakfast and Luncheon Thursday included in registration

Guest for Luncheon \$20 per person \_\_\_\_\_

Return Forms to:  
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Kent Bowman  
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# 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/>

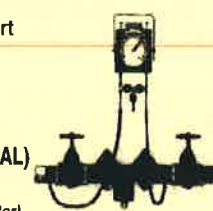
The classes offered by the Fleming Training Center are free of charge to any person who wishes to attend. Written registration is required, however, a minimum of thirty days in advance of the class. Confirmation letters for all classes/seminars will be sent out to registrants approximately three weeks 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) (3 days)**  
(Textbook: None) Classes are at the Fleming Training Center in Murfreesboro unless otherwise indicated. *See Schedule Below.*

**Cross Connection Control Workshop (RENEWAL) (1 day)** (Textbook: None) Classes are at the Fleming Training Center in Murfreesboro unless otherwise indicated. *See Schedule Below.*

- **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
- **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
- **Knoxville Plumbers & Steamfitters, LU #102 JATC:** Knoxville, TN Contact Wayne Summers, 1218 N. Broadway, Knoxville, TN 37917 - (865) 525-6305 or lu102jatic@bellsouth.net
- *To list or update your training classes contact Liba Ford at lford@jaxenergy.com.*

Cross Connection Control Classes	
No.	Course Name
2103	<b>Cross Connection Control Workshop (BASIC) (3 days)</b> <i>(Textbook: None; approved procedure sent with confirmation letter)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• October 14-17</li> <li>• November 18-21 2009</li> <li>• January 13-16</li> <li>• March 3-6</li> <li>• March 31-April 3 - Kingsport</li> </ul>
3102	<b>Cross Connection Control Workshop (RENEWAL) (1 day)</b> <i>(Textbook: None; approved procedure sent with confirmation letter)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• October 13-14</li> <li>• November 17-18 2009</li> <li>• January 12-13</li> <li>• March 2-3</li> <li>• March 18-19</li> <li>• March 30-31 - Kingsport</li> </ul>
<b>CCC Seminar</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• November 12th - KUB Knoxville - Assembly Repair Workshop</li> <li>• November 13th - Administration and Survey Class</li> <li>• December 11th - Fleming Training Center - Assembly Repair Workshop</li> <li>• February 12th - Fleming Training Center - Assembly Repair Workshop</li> </ul>	



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