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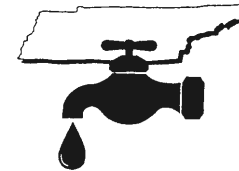
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Tennessee Backflow News

Summer 2011



NEXT BOARD MEETING

10:00 AM
Wednesday
July 6, 2011

NEW LOCATION

Murfreesboro Water Plant

5528 Sam Jared Drive
Murfreesboro, TN

For information call:
Frank Maccagnano
615-848-3222

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

As Summer heat takes over, I realize I don't remember there being much of a Spring, but I do remember the rain so therefore we must have had a Spring! I attended the ABPA International Conference held in San Antonio, TX last month and they too have entered the Summer season. Attendance for this year's ABPA Conference improved since last year and the membership in general is showing growth. Here is to hoping that the economy is showing recovery even in this small way!

The Tennessee Chapter has once again been awarded the Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE) during the Conference. Also, two of our members were recognized at the national level for their contributions to the Chapter and the Association. Liba Ford was on hand to receive her certificate of appreciation. The other recipient has not been presented their certificate and I do not want to ruin the surprise. I will be sure to mention them in the next newsletter.

We are on track to have a packed schedule for our next Annual Chapter Conference set for Gatlinburg in October. Please, I would love to see as many of you attend as possible and give us feedback about what you would like to see in upcoming Conferences. I hope many of you had a chance to attend the TAUD Expo and stop by our booth to say hello.

By now I am sure all of you are gearing up for lawn irrigation season and all the backflow testing joys that are included. Remember to take care in the heat, drink plenty of fluids and watch for symptoms of overheating!

Hope to see you at our next Board meeting in Murfreesboro, everyone is welcome. *Please notice the new location.*

"Between two evils, I always pick the one I never tried before." (Mae West)

Angel Goike
President TBPA

Upcoming Events

TBPA 15th Annual Conference

October 13 & 14, 2011

Edgewater Hotel - Gatlinburg, TN

Board Meeting

October 12th - 5:00 PM

Edgewater

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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.

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Pre-payment of dues required to process application.
Membership is non-transferable. National ABPA membership required for state TBPA membership

TBPA West Section News

Greetings from West Tennessee! You know by now that the 2011 TBPA Annual Conference will be held in Gatlinburg, TN. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage everyone to attend. What a wonderful location, great time of the year and amazing hotel price. Please remember the \$92 / night rate is good for two days before and two days after the Conference!

Once again, the TBPA Board has tried to hold down the conference cost – there will be no increase this year – still \$125 for members. If you have never attended, now is the time. Gatlinburg is a great city

Congratulations TBPA

Congratulations to TBPA for receiving another Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE) at this year's ABPA Annual Conference in San Antonio. We continue to be one of the most active chapters in the nation!

Congratulations to Liba Ford for receiving the Presidential Recognition Award at the Conference. This award is presented to members for their outstanding service and dedication to the association. Liba was present to receive her award from Bruce Rathburn, President of ABPA.



and the Edgewater Hotel proposes to be a great place to meet. Come...join us!

We are taking nominations this year for the West TN Director's position. If there is anyone who wants to become more active in TBPA and is interested in this position please let me or one of the committee members know. We are an active chapter but can always use more help and new ideas from our members.

Lloyd Rainey
West Section Director

Training Information

- **Plumbers and Pipefitters, Local 572, Nashville, Tennessee:** Backflow Classes for Apprentices and Journeyman, contact Mike Rucker, 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 lu102jatc@bell-south.net
- **Plumbers Local Union #17:** For information on classes contact Howard Burgess at (901) 368-9099 - 4229 Prescott Road, Memphis, TN 38118
- **Backflow Control:** Backflow Training Classes and Certification Classes for the State of Mississippi. For more information contact Roger Crane at (662) 333-9007 - 262 Boatner Road, Potts Camp, MS 38659
- To list or update your training classes contact Liba Ford at lford@jaxenergy.com.

TBPA East Section News

On May 19th TAUD held the Operator Expo in Lebanon, TN and this year was another great turn out with over 1,200 attendees and over 100 vendors. This year TBPA was asked to assist with a backflow testing contest. The testers were graded on 3 things, accuracy of the testing procedure, the correct results on the test and the speed of testing. The RP was tested multiple times the morning of the expo to make sure the test readings stayed the same before the contest. We had a good turn out for the contest. Congratulations to the two winners: Dana Douglas with Manchester and Corey Jones with American Backflow Inc. Both won \$25.00 gift cards from TBPA.

I would like to thank everyone who stopped by the TBPA booth. It's always good to see old friends and meet new people. Also, a BIG THANKS to Kitty Banks and Michael Robeson for helping and for being the judges for the contest. (Larry Stinnett you were missed...get better so you can help next year!!) Brent and I have discussed having the contest again next year with a few changes. Everyone – this is your notice - you have 11 months to get ready for the next year's contest!


The TBPA Conference will be October 13th - 14th at The Edgewater Hotel in Gatlinburg. Rooms are \$92 / night. For reservations call: 1-800-423-9582. Please look ahead and start planning to attend. We will be having more speakers and new topics so this year should be a great conference.

Notice: The TBPA Board Meeting LOCATION has been changed to Murfreesboro Water and Sewer at 5525 Sam Jared Drive in Murfreesboro. Next meeting is July 6th and is open to everyone. We would love to see you there.

I would like to give special thanks to Randy Harrell and General Manager Larry McElroy with Consolidated Utility in Murfreesboro for letting the TBPA Board use their facility for our meetings over the past several years.

Everyone have a safe summer.


Kent Bowman
East Tennessee Director



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Tennessee Training Calendar

• **The Fleming Training Center:** FTC offers Basic and Renewal and Cross Connection Classes to water systems and personnel throughout Tennessee. FTC is located at 2022 Blanton Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37129, phone: (615) 898-8090, fax: (615) 898-8064. Hours of operation: Weekdays 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Central Time. For more information and a registration form visit: www.state.tn.us/environment/fleming/. Written registration and 30 days notice is required for the following classes:

2103 Cross Connection Control Basic Workshop
Duration: 3 days • Class Fee: \$275
(full time employees of public water systems are exempt)
Testing Fee: \$60 (no exemptions)

Murfreesboro: August 3-5 October 19-20 Kingsport: August 17-19	Alcoa: September 14-16 Jackson: September 28-30
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3102 Cross Connection Control Renewal Workshop
Duration: 1 day • Class Fee: \$110
(full time employees of public water systems are exempt)
Testing Fee: \$60 (no exemptions)

Murfreesboro: August 2 October 18 Kingsport: August 16 September 13-14	Alcoa: September 13 Jackson: September 27
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• **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. For information on Classes and Cost you can visit the training section on their web site at www.taud.org or contact either Brent Ogles at brentogles@taud.org - (615) 896-9022 or Greg Baker at gregbaker@taud.org - (731) 225-5240 - 840 Commercial Court, Murfreesboro, TN 37129.

• **BASIC CROSS CONNECTION CLASS •**

TAUD - Murfreesboro September 21 - 23 MLGW - Memphis November 16 - 18	JEA Training Center - Jackson October 12-14 KUB Facility - Knoxville September 7 - 9
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• **RENEWAL CROSS CONNECTION CLASS •**

TAUD - Murfreesboro September 20 MLGW - Memphis November 15	KUB Facility - Knoxville September 6 JEA Training Center - Jackson October 11
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• **Memphis Light, Gas and Water:** Cross Connection Renewal Classes and Repair classes are offered. For reservation and fee information contact Barbara Taylor, Cross Connection Coordinator at (901) 528-4449 or (901) 528-7757.

• **CROSS CONNECTION RENEWAL CLASSES •**

Time: 8:00 - 4:30
Location: Mallory Pumping Station
488 North Dunlap, Memphis, TN 38105
Dates: September 22 & November 17

• **BASIC CROSS CONNECTION CLASSES •**

Southwest TN Community College - Macon Campus
5983 Macon Cove
Memphis, TN 38134
Instructor: Barbara Taylor
Contact the Continuing Education Dept. at (901) 333-4207 for class information
**NOTE: These classes are not associated with the basic and renewal classes offered by TAUD at MLGW-Memphis.

• **BACKFLOW ASSEMBLY REPAIR CLASSES •**

Location: Mallory Pumping Station
488 North Dunlap
Memphis, TN 38105
Watts (Limit 12 per class)
August 11: 12:00 - 4:00
Wilkins (Limit 8 per class)
October 13: 12:00 - 1:45 October 13: 2:00 - 4:00
Conbraco (Limit 8 per class)
December 8: 12:00 - 1:45 December 8: 2:00 - 4:00



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New TBPA Members

Welcome to these new TBPA member. They should have been listed in the last newsletter.

We hope to see you at this year's Conference.

Joe K. Wilson	O'Connor Utility District	Sparta, TN
William Bruce Qualls	Lobelville Water System	Lobelville, TN
Patrick Skelton	Ocoee Utility District	Cleveland, TN
Rick Garland	Metro Lynchburg	Lynchburg, TN
Randy York	City of Watertown	Watertown, TN
Rondal Reed	Bangham Water District	Cookeville, TN
Kenneth Templeton	City of Collinwood	Collinwood, TN

Notice to all Members

If you have not given TBPA a current email address please do so. This is a quick and cost effective way of keeping our membership informed. Not sure if we have your email?

Contact Michael Robeson at mrobeson@musfiber.net.

WEST DIRECTOR & VICE-PRESIDENT NOMINATIONS

It is election time for the West Directors and Vice-President of TBPA. Please submit all Nominations to one of the Committee Members:

Kent Bowman (Chairman): kbowman@fudknox.org

Wayne Cook: wcook@shelbyvillepower.com

Bradley Tomlin: btomlin@jaxenergy.com

Please submit before October 15, 2011.

TBPA NOMINATION FORM

Nomination for West Tennessee Director _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

E-mail address _____

Nomination for Vice-President _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

E-mail address _____

Nominator Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

E-mail address _____

Which section of Tennessee is the Nominator from: East ___ Middle ___ West ___

It's That Time Again

NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS

Each year at the Annual Conference the Tennessee Backflow Prevention Association gives awards to a deserving company and persons who have contributed to the field of cross connection. All nominees must be a member in good standing of TBPA.

- Individual Award (Robert Lashlee Award):** Must have excelled in the last 12 months in the field of cross connection or the backflow industry.
- Individual Award:** Must have contributed outstanding work within the TBPA organization in the last 12 months.
- Company or Water Purveyor Award:** Must have excelled within the field of cross connection and promoted TBPA within the last 12 months.

If you know of someone who meets these requirements please nominate them for an award. We are proud of our state and the contributions our members have made to the field of backflow and want to recognize their hard work.

Nominations committee members are Kent Bowman, Liba Ford, Randy Harrell and Michael Robeson.

Send all nominations to Kent Bowman at kbowman@fudknox.org or contact Kent by phone at: 1-865-966-9741. **Please submit nominations before September 10, 2011.**

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Old friends


No matter where you go you always see someone you know. Angel and Liba connected with Ned Towle at the Conference in San Antonio. Ned said to tell all his Tennessee friends "Hello" and he looks forward to his next trip to the Volunteer State.



ANNUAL BEST / WORST DAY CONTEST

TBPA will once again hold the Best / Worst Day Contest for our membership. We want to hear from each and every one of you, your best day on the job and/or your worst day. Send your entries to Angel Goike at angel.goike@cityofclarksville.com or fax to 931-553-2490. The winning response will be presented at the Annual Conference in October and a prize will be awarded.

You may recall Wayne Cook's winning entry last year. Please join us at the Annual Conference in Gatlinburg at the Edgewater Hotel to hear the stories of your friends and colleagues. What a wonderful way to share our experiences and connect with our fellow members.

	
BACKFLOW ENCLOSURES	
Ronnie Cox	
Phone: 501-791-1800	www.aquashieldenclosures.com

Early Registration Form

TBPA CONFERENCE 2011

Thursday, Oct. 13th - 7:30 am to 4:00 pm
Friday, Oct. 14th - 8:30 am to Noon

Edgewater Hotel
402 River Road
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Phone: (800) 423-9582 or Visit: www.edgewater-hotel.com

Deadline for the Conference room rate in Monday September 12, 2011.

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Company _____

Address _____

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Guest for Luncheon \$20 per person _____

Return Forms to:
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Attn: Liba Ford
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Information Contact:
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TBPA Board Meeting Update - April 6, 2011

Treasurer's report

Balance \$9,646.46. This total includes an investment CD of \$5,400.00. The Checking account balance is \$4,246.46. CD was renewed for 14 months at 1.25%. Annual report was sent to National.

Membership

No new members for the past quarter. National is three quarters behind in payment to TBPA. Michael is now Vice Chair of the National Membership Committee.

Regulations Committee

Donna and Brent updated the Board on the committee formed to study the 5% rule and other State regulations. Both felt progress had been made at the meeting but nothing settled.

Members of the committee were given assignments to draw up proposals for the state. There are 8 committee members with Brent serving as mediator. Next meeting is set for April 27th.

Topics to be researched are: Tester certification – is statutory authorization needed; the definition of an “on-going” program – including the 5% annual inspections; identifying a high hazard; what rules do the water systems need to address and what rules do we want the State to enforce.

2011 Conference

Conference - Gatlinburg, TN at the Edgewater Hotel (402 River Road). Dates are October 13th -14th with the Board meeting on Wednesday the 12th at 5:00 PM. Room rate is \$92 per night and good for two days before and after the Conference. \$250 Deposit has been mailed to the hotel.

Board members are attempting to get speakers and topics together to put into next newsletter along with Awards and Election nominations.

Vendor fee will increase to \$325 to cover the table cost. Member fee will remain at \$125. Liba will

send Kent a list of Vendors to contact. Kitty will work on the registration form.

TAUD

TAUD Expo (no charge to TBPA) is May 19th in Lebanon, TN. Brent proposed TBPA have a testing completion at the booth. TAUD will provide the set up. TBPA will provide two \$25 gift cards for the winners along with an E-reader for the silent auction. (Not to exceed \$200.) Kent, Kitty and Mike will run the booth

ABPA Conference

Angel will attend the conference in San Antonio. Board voted to donate an E-reader and carrying case to the silent auction. (Not to exceed \$200.)

Next meeting – Murfreesboro Water and Sewer – Murfreesboro, TN – July 6, 2011 at 10:00 AM

Not official minutes.



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