



# JUNE 2015 NEWSLETTER

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## The June 2015 meeting was held at Woodinville Water District

#### Tony opened the meeting at 10:05 AM

Introductions were made and those in attendance were Scott Barr, Kathy Caldwell, Tim Cantwell, Fred Foreman, Larry Holmes, Mike Mathews, Dennis McLaughlin, Linda McMurphy, Dan Miller, Tony Peredo, Carla Snyder, Chris Sutton and Charissa Van Doorn.

We have secured a speaker from Mercer Island to do a presentation on the emergency response / boil water event on September of 2014 for the 20<sup>th</sup> annual October GROUP Seminar. This is a really good presentation you won't want to miss!

#### **Board member reports...**

Dennis reported we have \$17,434.00, we also have a couple of Website advertisements coming in. Some vendors will place advertisements in the binder for the annual seminar.

Carla explained the problems with sending flyers and registrations by BCC to the all BAT'S and CCS's because of bounce back, Kathy volunteered to help will send out the information to the groups, Carla will send her the files electronically. Thank you Kathy.

Bob Eastwood is working on getting CEU approval from the state for the seminar. Thank you Bob!

Our Field Trip on July 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am at the Fred Hutchinson center is confirmed, 9:30 arrival time to allow for parking and walking to the venue, carpooling is encouraged because parking is limited, and there is also a headcount limit for the tour of 20-25 folks. Please contact Dale Baxmann 206-795-9192 to confirm your attendance.

August is our annual Picnic and monthly meeting at Redmond-Perrigo Park. Dominic is donning the chef hat again. And the topic for the meeting will be the DOH proposed test form. DOH would like comments from BATS and CCS's. There was a suggestion made by Fred to create a committee to bring all the ideas and requirements of the proposed test form together as a group.

There was some discussion about how is everyone is doing with the ASR, have you submitted the report? The deadline is June 30 2015.

#### **Open Discussions...**

After testing assemblies some calls are received from customers who say their sprinkler systems are not working. Because some testers leave them off if they find them off leaving services as they found them before testing unless the clients ask them do otherwise. Some testers tag devices after testing, making notes in regards to what was done in the field during the test procedure, this tag also lets other know when the device was turned last tested and who did the testing.

Surveys... When conducted, do you take pictures, and do you ask permission first? Does it depend on if it's residential or commercial? Educating public about cross connection hazards is critical. Are you allowed to enter private property? BATS are the Water supplier's eyes and ears. What equipment goes out in the field when surveying?

Surveying by mail when? These are just a few questions we bring up as a group; it's a great place to connect with others in the Cross connection field. Come join us!

The meeting was then adjourned at 11:40pm

Our next meet up is hosted by Dale Baxmann from the University of Washington, we will be touring the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center located at 1100 Fairview Ave N, Seattle WA, 98109. Arrival time is 9:30 am please contact Dale at 206-795-9192 to RSVP and confirm your spot.

Have a wonderful and safe Fourth of July! Drink lots of water 😊

Until next time...

Carla Snyder WWCCPP GROUP Secretary