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Hello everyone,

The Group meeting was held at the City of Edmonds shop on February 20, 2013. Those in attendance were:

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(Highlights signify that dues are paid for 2013)

The February meeting was called to order by Chair Dennis McLaughlin at 10 AM. He passed out neat little booklets made at his expense of our newly updated bylaws. Much appreciated, Dennis. If anyone would like a copy of our bylaws, just let me know. All of the officers were present with the exception of Mary Gonzales. Dennis gave the treasures' report of \$12,514.00.

We have managed to work out nearly all of the details regarding the upcoming BAT Forum at Bellevue. The updated flyer is attached for all of our members. Remember that you will need to RSVP with Tyler Himmelman from Bellevue at THimmelman@bellevue.gov as well as bring \$5.00 if you are a member and \$15.00 if you are not. The admission fee will be collected at the door. Cash or checks only, please. Details are on the attachment.

We are still working on the on-going process of trying to get information to our members of the list of approved devices through the USC. As you probably know, there are copywriter infringement problems and folks have not in the past been able to easily gain the information. I have good news from the State just this morning:

Rumor is this is the last year you'll need to request the Backflow Assemblies List from us. Terri Notestine heard from USC that they plan to post the List on their website in April open to the public. Isn't that great news?

Notice the word "rumor" is used, but we can be hopeful anyway. In the meantime, Dennis McLaughlin will volunteer to help us out.

If you encounter a new assembly or an orientation you are not sure of WHILE ON THE JOB, you can call Dennis McLaughlin @ 206-364-9531, and he will tell you the answer (if you are a member of THE GROUP)

The next order of business was a motion was made, seconded, and voted with approval for the Group to assist in the financing to send member Bob Eastwood from SPU to the SRC4 meeting this week. SRC4 is the abbreviation for (Spokane Regional Cross Connection Control Chapter) like we call ourselves the Group. They are an organization like us on the east side of the State. Check out their website at www.src4.org. Bob will represent The Group and search for new speakers and interesting topics that we may be able to introduce this year at our own annual seminar in October. We also hope to begin sharing meeting minutes with them soon.

Speaking of the annual seminar, believe it or not, we have formed a committee to begin the planning. Volunteers this year are Mick Holte, Ann Ray, Tyler Himmelman, Chip Brooks, Bob Eastwood, Dennis McLaughlin, and even though they weren't present, Kirsten Ward and Mary Gonzales will also assist, as usual. So, we will focus on getting that started. There will be no US Postal mailings for notification of the seminar this year, so make sure we've got your email address.

That's about it. We hope to see you at the BAT Forum.

Kathy Caldwell/Group Sec.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CROSS CONNECTION PREVENTION PROFESSIONALS

2013 CALENDAR

*****ALL GROUP MEETINGS START AT 10 AM AND CLOSES AT 12 PM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

*****THE FIELD TRIPS WILL START AT 10 AM BUT THE TIME FINISHED IS UNDETERMINED

DATE	TOPIC	LOCATION	CONTACT
16-Jan	FINAL DRAFT OF CALENDAR	CITY OF ISSAQUAH	TODD FREEMAN
	COMPLETION OF OLD BUSINESS/BI-LAWS, ETC	1775 12 TH AVE NW, 98027	425 837 3400
20-Feb	INSTALLATIONS:	CITY OF EDMONDS-SHOPS	LINDA MCMURPHY
	GOOD, BAD AND UGLY	7110 210 TH ST SW, 98026	425 771 0235
20-Mar	ANNUAL BAT FORUM	CITY OF BELLEVUE	TYLER HIMMELMAN
	9 AM – 1 PM	2901 115 TH AVE	425 452 5203
17-Apr	FIELD TRIP/WSP FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY- SITE SURVEY	50810 GROUSE RIDGE RD NORTH BEND, WA	DENNIS MCLAUGHLIN 425 364 9531
	10 AM - ?		
15-May	FIRE SUPPRESSION –SOUTH SEATTLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	6737 CORSON AVE S, SEATTLE, 98108	CHIP BROOKS 425 359 6475
	NEED TO VERIFY		
19-Jun	TBD	TBD	
17-Jul	FIELD TRIP/ HUSKY STADIUM	DETAILS TBA	DALE BAXMANN
	10 AM - ?		206 221 3127
21-Aug	ANNUAL PICNIC	PERRIGO PARK-REDMOND	KATHY CALDWELL
		9011 196 TH AVE NE	425 556 2847
18-Sep	FIELD TRIP/ BILL AND MALINDA GATES FOUNDATION/ GREEN BLDG	500 5 TH AVE N SEATTLE, 98109	BOB EASTWOOD 206 233 2635
16-Oct	ANNUAL SEMINAR	LA QUINTA INN-TACOMA	ALL OFFICERS/
	7 AM – 1 PM	1425 E 27 TH ST, 98421	DENNIS 206 364 1939

20-Nov	ELECTIONS	CITY OF EVERETT 3200 CEDAR STREET,EVERETT	TIM MARKHAM 425 257 8833
18-Dec	2014 PLANNING ADGENDA	NORTHSHORE UTILITY DIST. 6830 NE 185 TH AVES,KENMORE	CARL LUMAK 425 398 4400

LOCATION DETAILS AND MAPS WILL BE IN THE NEWSLETTER ONE MONTH PRIOR TO THE CURRENT MEETING.