



# PHCC OF WASHINGTON

## NEWS LEAK

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### Welcome to Cheryl Maas

I hope you will join me in welcoming the new PHCCWA Executive Director, Cheryl Maas. She brings to our association, an excitement for learning about our professions; our trades. Along with this she also maintains experience in administrative work and direction.

Directly from Cheryl, she writes:

"I am grateful for the opportunity to introduce myself to those I have not yet had the privilege of meeting in person. My name is Cheryl Maas and I have been hired as your new Executive Director of the PHCC of Washington State! I am very excited to be working with such an intriguing and exciting industry. I will admit I have limited knowledge of the plumbing, heating and cooling industry however I am looking forward to learning all there is to know. Getting to know you as the member is my top priority as I wish to serve you and your business to the best of my ability.

"A few unknown facts about me: I was born in Augsburg, Germany and moved to the Tacoma area when I was three years old. Attending school in Tacoma, I later completed and received certification from the ETON Technical School. I worked at Group Health for approximately five years doing administrative work. Most recently I worked part time as an office assistant for Mitchel Plumbing where my quest of knowledge of the plumbing, heating and cooling industry began. I have a daughter who is my greatest joy and a very loving and supportive family. I enjoy reading in my spare time and taking family vacations.

"Thank you for this exciting opportunity. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns and/or helpful hints. I can be reached via email at [cheryl@phccwa.org](mailto:cheryl@phccwa.org), telephone at 888-891-9240 and fax at 866-272-2545. Be sure to watch your email, snail mail and fax for upcoming classes, network meetings and events!"

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### Let's Talk About...Mold

**M**old - A GROWING INSURANCE PROBLEM - You've heard the horror stories about mold causing extensive damage and illness in many areas of the country. Luke Swanson of Federated Insurance will be speaking on the subject of mold at the January network meetings.

This presentation reveals why mold has become one of the most worrisome issues for the construction and contracting industries and insurers. It will explain how Federated Insurance is approaching this evolving problem and gives tips for preventing the situations that lead to claims.

Let's start out the year right by attending the first network meetings of the year. We will be meeting January 19th in Tacoma, the 24th in Seattle, and the 25th in the Bellingham/Mt. Vernon area. Email Cheryl at [cheryl@phccwa.org](mailto:cheryl@phccwa.org) if you will be attending and look online at [www.phccwa.org](http://www.phccwa.org) for registration forms to print out.

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### Captain, My Captain

Russ Crawford with Wolverine Brass would like to express his gratitude to all his loyal customers for all their years of faithful use of the Wolverine product—in particular for the past couple years. Your purchases during the period of 2004 were so good that the president of the company (Wolverine Brass) appointed him “Captain” of the Presidents Team for 2005 based on sales for the previous year.

Thanks for supporting the only truly “direct to the plumber” manufacturer in the industry. Together we’re making progress in restoring the plumber to his rightful position at the top of the food chain in the construction trades.

Thanks again - Russ

### 2006 Legislative & Leadership Conference

The 2006 PHCC Legislative and Leadership Conference will be held March 16-18, 2006 at the Key Bridge Marriott in Arlington, VA. All PHCC members and state and local executive managers are encouraged to attend the Legislative Conference on March 16. The conference includes breakfast on Capitol Hill featuring ranking national lawmakers as speakers. Following the breakfast, PHCC members will visit the offices of their Senators and Congressman to lobby on legislative priorities. The Legislative Conference allows members to learn more about the lawmaking process and let their opinions be known.

The March 17 and 18 Leadership Conference is an opportunity for volunteer chapter leaders and state and local executives to meet and exchange ideas. This year’s program will focus on generational issues and how they affect your association and the workplace. You may come away with a new appreciation for a generation that is different than yours.

**March 15, 2006**  
Afternoon Orientation on Issues  
Key Bridge Marriott

**March 16, 2006**  
Breakfast on Capitol Hill with Key Legislators  
Appointments with Congressmen and Senators

**March 17, 2006**  
Leadership Conference  
Key Bridge Marriott

**March 18, 2006**  
Leadership Conference Breakfast and Closing Session  
10 a.m. - Conference Adjourns

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*Check your calendar. Be sure not to miss the important events coming soon!*

### Upcoming Dates of Interest

Jan 19/24/25	PHCCWA Tacoma/Seattle/Bellingham & Mt. Vernon area Network Meetings - Mold presented by Federated Insurance
Feb 16/22/28	PHCCWA Tacoma/Bellingham & Mt. Vernon/Seattle area Network Meetings - Commercial Driving by the Washington State Patrol
March 16-18	PHCC Legislative and Leadership Conference
April 29	Rebuilding Together - South Sound Area