

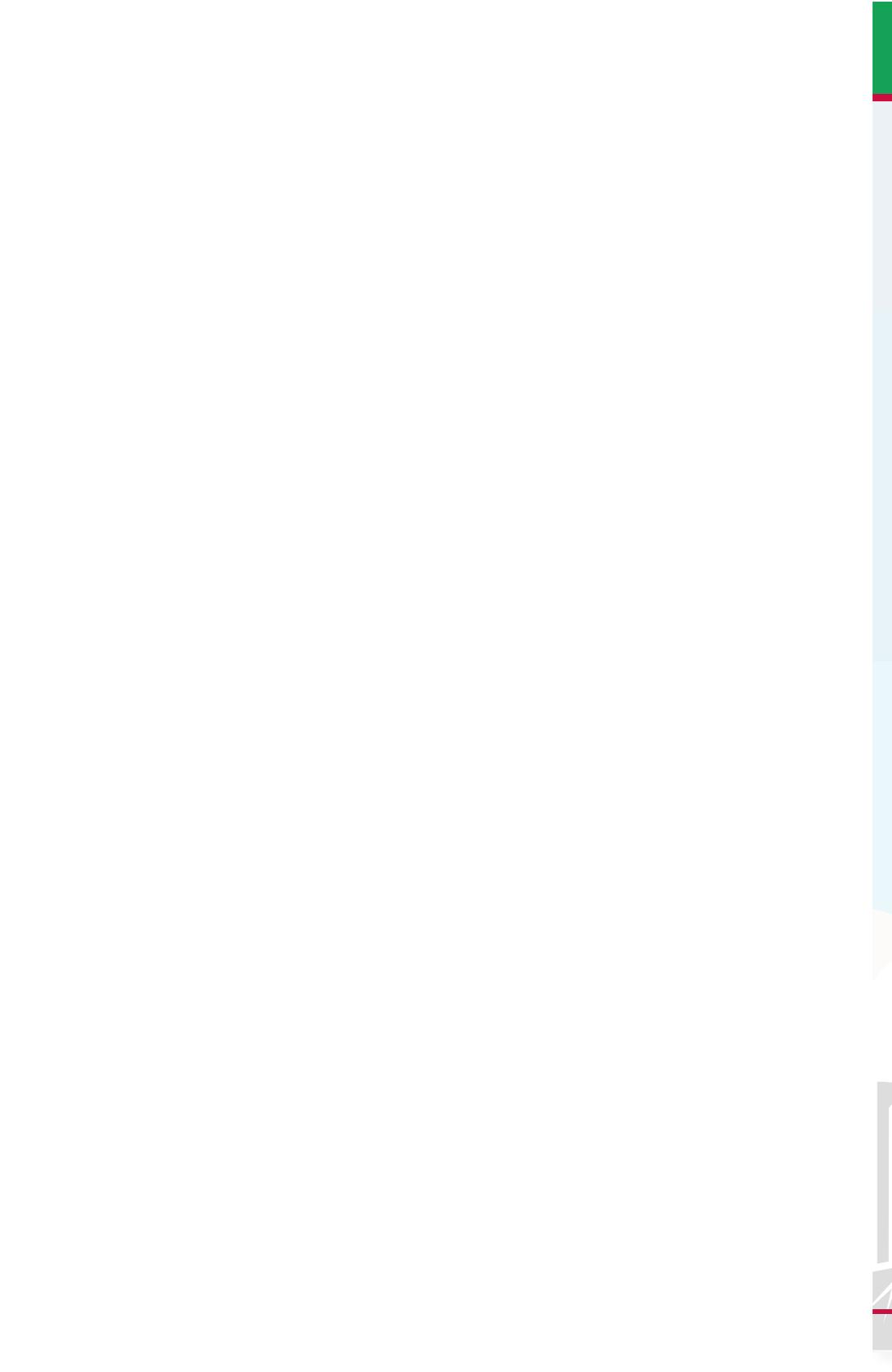
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A WORD FROM FCIA'S BOARD PRESIDENT

Welcome to ECA '24, the FCIA Education and Committee Action Conference.

As the 2024 FCIA President, I would like to welcome you to Oklahoma City, OK, home to this year's ECA' 2024 Conference! The leadership at the FCIA hope you enjoy your time not only at the Conference, but also in this city full of surprises! I know, Oklahoma City may not have been your first choice, BUT don't sleep on a Flyover state!

You have spoken and we have listened to your feedback! The conference this year will give each of you the opportunity to work together to strengthen the Association with your input, as well as many dynamic speakers to help us continue to bolster our abilities, both individually and collectively.

For those interested in pursuing 3rd-party Accreditation programs, we have the FM, UL, & ULC Firestop Exams. You will also have the opportunity to hear more about the continually upgraded FCIA Firestop Education Program (FEP). The Firestop Levels 1,2, and 3 programs are live, complete with the new Administrator dashboard to allow you to track where your employees are within the assigned courses.

I want to also thank the FCIA Board of Directors & the Education Committee for all the challenging work that has been put into this program over the last couple of years.

ECA - the Education Committee and Action Conference - is strategic. As stated earlier, it gives each of you an opportunity to give your valued input, to speak of trends in your area that need to be addressed, to contribute to the advancement of the industry and the Association. You may just want to throw your 2 cents in about where you want the next Conference to be, or to get involved with the Committees that help develop the Code for how we do the work, or to help set the tone for the FEP in the Education Committee, to get involved with Marketing, and that's just the beginning of how you can get involved!

**ALL OF US MEMBERS NEED TO RECOGNIZE THAT, LIKE EVERYTHING IN LIFE,
THE FCIA IS WHAT YOU PUT INTO IT. WE DON'T ATTEND THESE CONFERENCES JUST TO GET CEUs!
WE ARE HERE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE INDUSTRY!**

In closing, let's all give a 'big 'OI Oklahoma thank ya' to the Board of Directors, Committee Chairs, and Members, and most especially, to the FCIA staff for their continued hard work throughout the year. Their efforts behind-the-scenes make all of this possible and allow for every Conference to run so smoothly.

Finally, please mark your calendars for FIC'24, the Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show, at the beautiful Omni Rancho Las Palmas, Palm Springs, CA this November 5-8, 2024 for our 25th Anniversary celebration! I look forward to seeing all of you this week, and if you need anything, please feel free to reach out to me or any of the other Board members if you have any questions.



Alan McDurmon, 2024 FCIA Board President



FCIA COMMITTEES NEED YOU...(TO JOIN AND GET INVOLVED)

FCIA Member volunteers collaborate to advance Association initiatives and contribute to the betterment of the fire-resistance and effective compartmentation industry. From Codes and Standards to Education to Marketing and Membership, FCIA Committee volunteers harness a variety of talents and interests and put them to work for the growth of the Association and industry.

Consider volunteering your time and talents with one of the following Committees. Contact the Committee Chair(s) or cathy@FCIA.org for additional information or to inquire about joining a Committee. Detailed descriptions of each Committee can be found at www.FCIA.org/ABOUT-FCIA/Committees.

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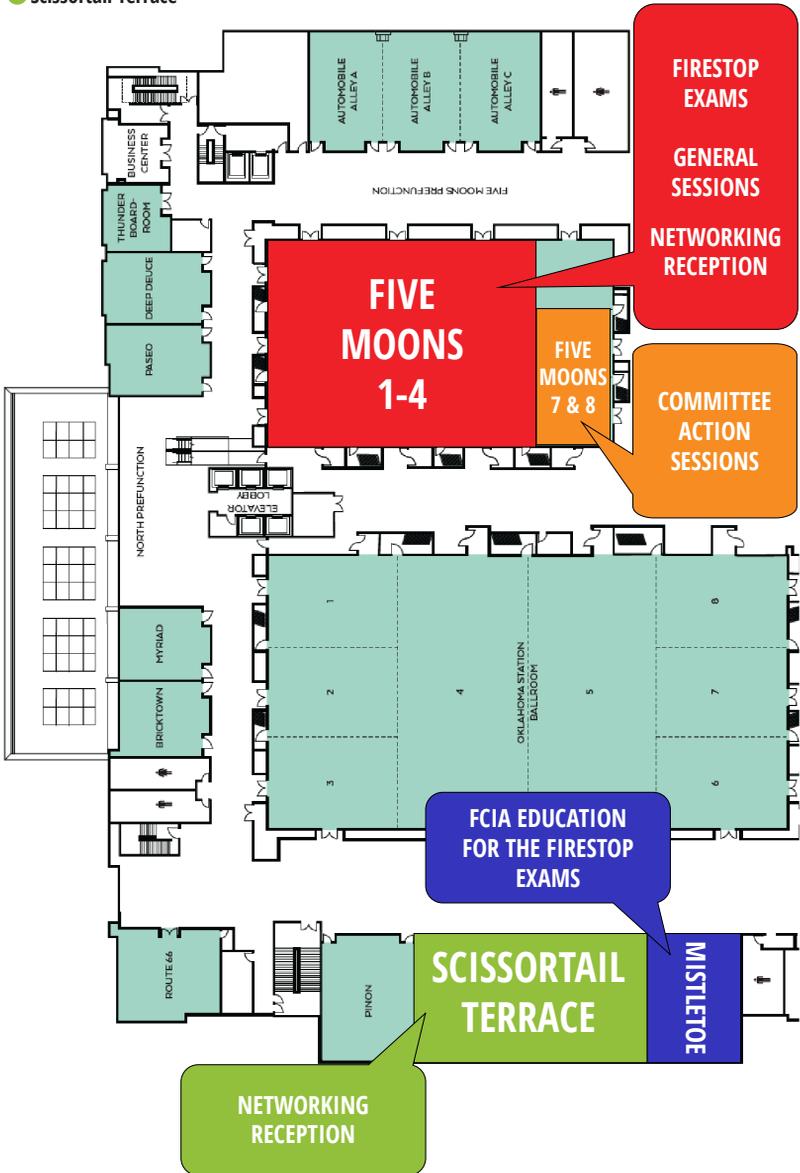
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- Five Moons 1-4
- Five Moons 7 & 8
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WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA?

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

FCIA Education for the Firestop Exams Sessions help Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors qualify for and maintain FM 4991 Approved, UL, or ULC Qualified Firestop DRI status and Special Inspectors to prove competence to AHJ's or qualify for IAS AC 291 Special Inspection Agency responsible individual status.

All times listed are in CDT.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024

MISTLETOE

- 11:30 am - 5:00 pm Firestop Exam Registration Open
- 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm Lunch for Quality Management System and Firestop Exam Education Session Attendees
Sponsored by MM Systems
- 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm FCIA: The Vision, The Mission, The Association
Bill McHugh, FCIA
- 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm FCIA Education for the FM, UL, & ULC Firestop Exams
Rich Walke, CTI
- 2:30 pm - 2:45 pm Break
- 2:45 pm - 3:45 pm FCIA Education for the FM, UL, & ULC Firestop Exams, continued
Rich Walke, CTI
- 3:45 pm - 5:00 pm Quality Management System Manual Development Education
Rich Walke, CTI | Joseph Nunes, FM Approvals | Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

FIVE MOONS BALLROOM 1-4

- 7:30 am - 5:00 pm Conference Registration Open
- 7:30 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast for FM, UL, & ULC Firestop Exam Attendees
Sponsored by Inpro
- 8:00 am - 11:30 am FM, UL, & ULC Firestop Exam for DRI Candidates & Inspection Personnel

Note: The UL & ULC Firestop Exams are OPEN BOOK exams. UL Exam Participants MUST provide their own copy of the FCIA Manual of Practice. The ULC Addendum covers questions specific to Canada. The FM Firestop Exam DOES NOT allow use of the MOP during the exam.



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WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA?

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

ECA '24 brings together industry experts and firestop professionals for instructive education and insights on fire and life safety with collaborative Committee Action sessions to drive the progress of the firestop industry. Here, we'll tie together progressive ideas with actionable strategies to ensure safer buildings worldwide.

All times listed are in CDT.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

FIVE MOONS 1-4 BALLROOM

- 7:30 am – 3:30 pm Conference Registration Open
- 12:00 pm – 12:45 pm Welcome Lunch
Sponsored by Balco
- 12:45 pm - 1:15 pm FCIA President's Welcome & Association Comments
Alan Mcdurmon, 2024 FCIA Board President | Bill McHugh, FCIA
- 1:15 pm - 2:15 pm Unleash Your Inner Rock Star!
Mark Kamp, Marvelless Mark
- 2:15 pm - 2:30 pm Break
Sponsored by Rockwool
- 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Partner Program Updates
Joseph Nunes, FM Approvals | Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions
- 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm Meet the Committees - Round 1
*Mark Dietz, Membership Committee | Aideen Doneski, Marketing Committee
| Gus Mancini, Inspection Committee | Jay McGuire, Standards Committee*
- 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm FCIA Committee Action Sessions - Round 1
(All FCIA Members welcome)

FIVE MOONS 7 - INSPECTION & STANDARDS COMMITTEES

FIVE MOONS 8 - MARKETING & MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Working at a Government Facility: What You Need to Know
Bill McHugh, FCIA

FIVE MOONS FOYER

- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Welcome Reception
Sponsored by Specified Technologies, Inc.

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THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

FIVE MOONS 1-4 BALLROOM

- 7:30 am – 4:00 pm Conference Registration Open
- 7:30 am – 8:00 am FCIA Continental Breakfast
Sponsored by FCIA Gold Manufacturer Members: Balco | Thermafiber, Inc. (an Owens Corning Co.)
- 8:00 am – 9:00 am Strap In...With Safety Harnesses
Mark Damon, Damon Protection
- 9:00 am – 9:30 am Meet the Committees - Round 2
Gus Mancini, Code Committee | Ben Urcavich, Accreditation Committee
- 9:30 am – 11:00 am FCIA Committee Action Sessions - Round 2
(All FCIA Members welcome)

FIVE MOONS 7 - ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE

FIVE MOONS 8 - CODE COMMITTEE

- 11:00 am – 11:15 am Break
Sponsored by 3M
- 11:15 am – 12:15 pm Restoring STC Through Proper Firestopping
Tim Mattox, STI
- 12:15 pm – 1:00 pm Luncheon
Sponsored by Thermafiber, Inc. (an Owens Corning Co.)
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Guiding You Through UL Solutions - A One-Hour Tour
Jon Roberts, UL Solutions | Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions
- 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm Meet the Committees - Round 3
Tyler Ferguson, Education Committee | Alan Mcdurmon, Program Committee
- 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm FCIA Committee Action Sessions - Round 3
(All FCIA Members welcome)

FIVE MOONS 7 - EDUCATION COMMITTEE

FIVE MOONS 8 - PROGRAM COMMITTEES

- 4:00 pm – 4:15 pm Break
Sponsored by Hilti North America



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4:15 pm – 5:15 pm **Practical Perimeter Fire Containment - Critical to Safety**
Angie Oginio, Thermafiber, Inc. | Tim Mattox, STI | Matt Winston, Hilti

5:15 pm – 6:30 pm **FCIA Contractor Members Only Session**

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6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **FCIA Networking Reception**
Sponsored by Specified Technologies, Inc.

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

FIVE MOONS 1-4 BALLROOM

7:30 am – 9:30 am **Conference Registration Open**

7:30 am – 8:00 am **FCIA Continental Breakfast**
Sponsored by Construction Specialties

8:00 am – 9:00 am **Navigating Construction Defects**
Trent Cotney, Adams and Reese LLP

9:00 am – 10:00 am **The Good, The Bad, The Ugly**
Dr. Anirban Basu, Sage Policy Group

10:00 am – 10:15 am **Break**
Sponsored by National Guard Products

10:15 am – 11:15 am **What Code We Do For You?**
Bill Koffel, Koffel Associates | Bill McHugh, FCIA | Rich Walke, CTI

11:15 am – 11:30 am **Closing Remarks**
Bill McHugh, FCIA | Alan Mcdurmon, 2024 FCIA Board President

11:30 am **FCIA Education & Committee Action Conference '24 Ends**

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TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

FCIA: The Vision, The Mission, The Association
Bill McHugh, FCIA

You've heard of FCIA, maybe you're even a new member, but what exactly does Firestop Contractors International Association do? In this session, you'll learn about the origins of the FCIA, what our mission and guiding principles are, and how we advocate and work to further the industry. But most importantly, you'll learn how you can do your part to grow the firestop and effective compartmentation industry.

1:00 pm - 3:45 pm

FCIA Education for the FM, UL, & ULC Firestop Exams
Rich Walke, CTI

The FM, UL, & ULC Firestop Exams are based on FCIA's Firestop Manual of Practice (MOP), the FM & UL program guides, and systems selection and analysis. These exams are used for contractor personnel to become FM 4991 Approved Contractor and UL & ULC Qualified Contractor Program DRIs. For Special Inspectors, passing the exam proves firestopping competency to the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ), required by the IBC's Chapter 17. Passing an exam is also a requirement in IAS AC 291 for the Inspector to become a Responsible Person.

The FCIA Education for the FM, UL, & ULC

Firestop Exam education sessions help prepare individuals and support individual preparation for these rigorous exams, further strengthening and developing firestopping knowledge.

*This program IS NO SUBSTITUTE for reading FCIA's Firestop Manual of Practice and studying the FM & UL program guides and systems selection and analysis before the exams.

3:45 pm - 5:00 pm

Quality Management System Manual Development Education
Joseph Nunes, FM Approvals | Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions | Rich Walke, CTI

This session takes an in-depth look at the Quality Management System Manual requirements for the FM 4991 Approved, UL & ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor, and IAS AC 291 Accreditation programs. The session also provides tips and a framework for structuring and writing a comprehensive QMS Manual.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

12:45 pm - 1:15 pm

FCIA President's Welcome & Association Comments
Bill McHugh, FCIA | Alan Mcdurmon, 2024 FCIA Board President

Hear from the 2024 Board President and FCIA Executive Director on all things



exciting and new at FCIA this year, including the Association update and more.

1:15 pm - 2:15 pm

Unleash Your Inner Rock Star!

Mark Kamp, Marvelless Mark

Delivering exciting yet relatable business lessons from rock-and-roll legends, Mark inspires teams to rally around a Big Unreasonable Dream (BUD) to make their mark in their organization and their lives.

This keynote's compelling narrative combined with its interactive structure creates an electrifying experience that pushes all attendees to break free of their limiting beliefs and bring their inner rock star to light. During this session, attendees will...

- **Embrace the Rock Star Within:** Dive into your strengths, challenge limiting beliefs, and discover your inner rock star mindset to empower your personal and professional life.
- **Rally Around a Shared Dream:** Learn how the biggest legends in the music industry had a collective ambition to achieve a big, unreasonable, dream. Use these same principles to unite teams and amp up collaboration.
- **Let Loose and Engage:** Marvelless Mark fosters an electric atmosphere where audience members can have fun, get comfortable, and actively engage in the process to tap into their unique potential.

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Partnership Program Updates

- **FM 4991 Approved Contractor Program** | *Joseph Nunes, FM Approvals*
- **UL-ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor Program** | *Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions*

FCIA collaborated with FM & UL to develop both the FM 4991 Approved and the UL & ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor Programs, programs that result in an accredited Specialty Firestop Installation Contractor Company. This session looks at program updates for each.

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Meet the Committees - Round 1

Mark Dietz, Membership Committee | Aideen Doneski, Marketing Committee | Gus Mancini, Inspection Committee | Jay McGuire, Standards Committee

The FCIA Board of Directors has made the call to members to get in the game and get involved in your Association, to help shape the future of the passive fire protection industry.

But you may have questions:

- What do FCIA Committees actually do?
- How much time is involved in Committee participation?
- Which Committee is the coolest?
- Which Committee Chair has had lunch with the President?

In this, the first of our 'Meet the Committees' sessions, we'll hear from the Inspection, Standards, Marketing, and Membership Committee Chairs and get answers to your burning Committee questions.

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

FCIA Committee Action Sessions - Round 1

Plan to attend the first of three interactive sessions of FCIA Committee Roundtable meetings, where you'll become active with future Committee work, and find the Committee that best suits your interests and talents! Round 1 of the Committee Action Sessions features the combined Marketing and Membership Committees and the combined Inspection & Standards Committees.

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Working at a Government Facility:

What You Need to Know

Bill McHugh, FCIA

This session provides an update on Firestopping & Government Contracting.

What did FCIA do recently to 15 years ago that helps contractors now? What are a few tips to work in these facilities?

Don't miss this program, focused on contracting in government facilities.



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THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Strap In...With Safety Harnesses
Mark Damon, Damon Protection

Join us for a discussion on fall protection, the leading cause of death in construction.

Here, we'll cover fall statistics, effective fall protection products, and proper inspection. Also on the docket will be alternatives to fall protection equipment and ladders.

9:00 am - 9:30 am

Meet the Committees - Round 2
Gus Mancini, Code Committee | Ben Urcavich, Accreditation Committee

In the second installment of the 'Meet the Committees' session, we'll hear from the Code and Accreditation Committee Chairs.

9:30 am - 11:00 am

FCIA Committee Action Sessions - Round 2

Attend Round 2 of the Committee Action Sessions with either the Code Committee or the Accreditation Committee.

11:15 am - 12:15 pm

Restoring STC Through Proper Firestopping
Tim Mattox, STI

The primary purpose of firestopping is to contain fire and smoke. But before they are called to perform to their intended design, they may need to serve a dual purpose of reducing sound transmission.

In this course, we will start by explaining the fundamental nature of sound and how it travels as an energized wave through objects. From there we will discuss the differences between lab and field sound transmission testing, how compartment-to-compartment air leakage plays a critical role in sound transmission, and how proper firestopping

is effective in solving both fire and sound requirements. We will finish by covering what types of materials and applications are most effective in reducing sound transmission and compare them with materials and applications that are better suited for situations where sound transmission is not critical.

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Guiding You Through UL Solutions - A One-Hour Tour
Jon Roberts, UL Solutions | Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions

UL Solutions has developed a Firestop Marking & Application guide that will be freely available on the regulatory affairs website soon. This presentation will give an advanced look into the resource that attempts to tie together firestopping terms, standards, codes, listings, guide cards, and more. The document will be available for download from a UL website and can be used by installers as evidence to AHJs of system compliance.

Additionally, we'll take a live, hands-on look into the uses of UL Product iQ for listings of systems and understanding of common exceptions in guide cards.



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2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Meet the Committees - Round 3

Tyler Ferguson, Education Committee | Alan Mcdurmon, Program Committee

In the final installment of the 'Meet the Committees' session, we'll hear from the Program and Education Committee Chairs.

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

FCIA Committee Action Sessions - Round 3

Attend Round 3 of the Committee Action Sessions with either the Education Committee or the combined Membership and Marketing Committee Action Session.

4:15 pm - 5:15 pm

Practical Perimeter Fire Containment - Critical to Safety

Angela Ogino, Thermafiber, Inc. | Tim Mattox, STI | Matt Winston, Hilti

The design community is an overflowing bounty of new, state-of-the-art design concepts. Whether it's the curved glass of the future or an eco-friendly wooden skyscraper, it seems there is an endless supply of "we just design it, you figure out how to make it safe" problems that need solving.

From questions about fire tests using anchors to systems containing baffles, updates on E2307 Standards changes to results from the recent ICC Code Hearings, this panel draws upon their combined 50+ years and fire

tests of experience to answer your burning questions (pun intended) on perimeter fire containment.

Because let's face it...we may not be creating these design challenges, but we ARE the ones turning over safe buildings at the end of the construction process. Working together with our PFC Manufacturer partners to provide the best and safest solutions for whatever practical challenges the design community throws our way is the quickest route to safe buildings for all. And that's what it's all about - fire and life safety.

5:15 pm - 6:30 pm

FCIA Contractor Only Closed Session

Hear from your Board and provide input in the FCIA Contractor Members Only session. Put this session to work for you.

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Navigating Construction Defects *Trent Cotney, Adams and Reese LLP*

This course aims to equip participants with the knowledge and skills to effectively navigate the complex landscape of construction defects. The curriculum will cover:

1. Understanding Construction Defects: An introduction to what constitutes a



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- construction defect, different types of defects, and their common causes.
2. **Identifying Defects:** Techniques and best practices for identifying and documenting construction defects during various stages of a project.
 3. **Legal Aspects:** An overview of the legal implications of construction defects, including potential liabilities, warranties, and insurance considerations.
 4. **Prevention Strategies:** Discussion on design and construction practices that can help prevent defects, emphasizing quality control and effective project management.
 5. **Remediation Approaches:** Exploration of methods for rectifying defects, from repair and renovation to negotiation and litigation.

By the end of the course, participants should be able to effectively identify, prevent, and manage construction defects, thereby minimizing their impact on project success. This course is ideal for construction professionals, including contractors, project managers, architects, and engineers, who are looking to enhance their understanding of construction defects and their management.

9:00 am - 10:00 am

The Good, The Bad, The Ugly

Dr. Anirban Basu, Sage Policy Group

Has the Federal Reserve successfully engineered a soft landing? Or, is the confluence of geopolitical conflict, a presidential election, rising consumer debt levels, and still high interest rates conspiring to produce economic downturn in 2024? It is difficult to know

whether 2024 will be a good year – but one thing is clear – it will be a very interesting one. This presentation will supply in-depth analysis of major factors shaping economic outcomes, including interest rates, global conflict, wage dynamics, business confidence, and demographics. It will then turn toward a forecast for the coming year, highlighting the major risks that economic stakeholders will likely encounter.

10:15 am - 11:15 am

What Code We Do For You?

Bill Koffel, Koffel Associates | Bill McHugh, FCIA | Rich Walke, CTI

The session will review the ICC Code Development Committee recommendations on the proposals submitted by FCIA. In addition, the status of code change proposals submitted by other parties that are of interest to the FCIA will be discussed. Participating in this session will help guide FCIA to determine what Public Comments should be submitted prior to the Fall Hearings.

In addition, potential changes to NFPA 101 are due June 4, 2024 and therefore participating in this session will help guide FCIA determine what Public Inputs to NFPA 101 should be submitted.



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