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Welcome to the 25TH Anniversary FCIA Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show, FIC '25.

From the bottom of my heart, I want to thank each of you for being a part of our Firestop Contractors International Association (FCIA) family. Through your involvement in the FCIA, you are not only pushing a new and exciting industry forward, but you are also supporting an industry that truly can save lives.

Firestopping has been an integral part of my life since 2001. What started out as a way to support my young family has grown into a passion to cultivate the industry and push the Firestopping and Passive Fire Protection industry in new ways across, not only the United States, but the entire world.

The relationships and education I have gained from the FCIA, not only personally but also in business, have been instrumental in my life. The honor to give back to this organization so that others may experience the same has been fulfilling to say the least.

It has truly been a genuine honor to serve as the 2025 FCIA Board President.

There are so many people that have volunteered their time and energy to build the industry we have today, "Thank you." You are seeing the fruits of your labor.

"Thank you" to all those who have served on the FCIA Board of Directors and to Bill, Lindsey, Lissette, Carol Ann, Abhi, and Rich, the incredible team we have completing the work. It is a more daunting task than you'd ever believe, and they do it with a smile on their faces.

The FCIA has numerous incredible events planned for 2026. Be ready, you won't want to miss any of them. We're truly on the precipice of an exciting new chapter for FCIA and the Passive Fire Protection industry.

Before I hand over the gavel, I challenge each person to join an FCIA Committee and be more than a spectator in the Association, in YOUR Association. The FCIA will only continue to grow with the efforts of the next generation. Step up and invest in FCIA and do your part in continuing to change and mold our industry. New faces bring new ideas and excitement to the room.

In closing, **THANK YOU.** The FCIA would not be as successful and impactful without each of you!

Enjoy the event and thank you for your commitment to the FCIA! Here's to a great 2025!



Augustus Mancini, 2025 FCIA Board President





For the Association to thrive and grow, it must be guided by strong leaders, those willing to step into command and chart the course forward. FCIA's Board of Directors is a diverse and passionate council of Contractors, united like the Jedi Council itself, to take on missions that strengthen the Association the greater galaxy of fire and life safety.

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FCIA Committees are the starships shaping the future of our industry. Staffed by dedicated volunteers from across the Alliance, they drive missions that matter—shaping Codes and Standards, expanding outreach, and advancing knowledge.

By participating, you lend your expertise, help build consensus, and forge alliances—becoming a true champion of fire and life safety across the galaxy.

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● **REGENCY HALL 1**

FCIA Education for the Firestop Exams

FM & UL Firestop Exams

● **WINDSONG BALLROOM 7-12**

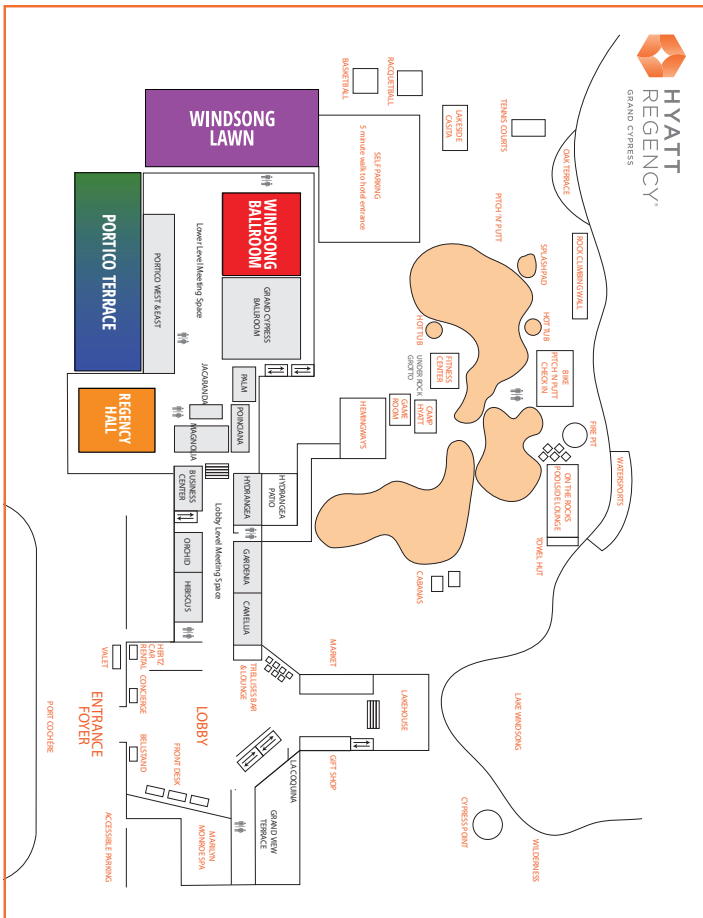
General Sessions
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● WINDSONG LAWN

Plastic Pipe Firestop Systems Demos FCIA Oktoberfest Annual Awards Dinner

- "I DON'T WANNA GOLF" PICKUP

GOLF PICKUP



EDUCATION FOR THE FM & UL FIRESTOP EXAMS

FCIA's Education for the Firestop Exams helps prepare Specialty Firestop Contractors and Special Inspectors to pass the FM or UL Firestop Exams. Passing the Firestop Exam(s) is required for Firestop Contractors pursuing FM 4991 Approved or UL Solutions Qualified Firestop status and for Firestop Inspectors to prove competence to AHJ's or International Accreditation Services IAS AC 291 Special Inspection Agency responsible individual status.

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025

REGENCY HALL 1

All times listed are in EDT

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|---------------------|---|
| 7:30 am - 2:00 pm | Registration Open |
| 7:30 am - 8:00 am | Continental Breakfast for FCIA Education for the Firestop Exams Attendees |
| 8:00 am - 8:30 am | FCIA: The Vision, The Mission, The Association
Open to all FCIA FIC Conference Attendees
Bill McHugh, FCIA |
| 8:30 am - 10:00 am | FCIA Education for the FM & UL Firestop Exams
Rich Walke, CTI |
| 10:00 am - 10:15 am | Break |
| 10:15 am - 11:30 am | FCIA Education for the Firestop Exams (continued) |
| 11:30 am - 1:00 pm | Quality Management System Manual Development: A How-To Session
Joanna Blaney, FM Approvals Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions Rich Walke, CTI |
| 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm | Luncheon for FM & UL Firestop Exam Testers |
| 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm | FM & UL Firestop Exams |

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

WINDSONG BALLROOM 7-12

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| 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm | Welcome Reception
Attendees, Spouses, Guests, and Speakers Welcome
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025**WINDSONG BALLROOM 7-12**

All times listed are in EDT

- 7:30 am – 10:00 am Conference Registration Open
- 7:30 am – 10:30 am Trade Show Floor Open
- 7:30 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors
Sponsored by Balco
- 8:00 am - 8:20 am FCIA President's Welcome, Association Comments, & Board
Candidate Introductions
Gus Mancini, 2025 FCIA Board President | Bill McHugh, FCIA
- 8:20 am - 9:20 am Resilient Leadership on Purpose
Linda Edgecombe, Learning Edge Resources
Keynote Session
Sponsored by 3M
- 9:20 am - 9:30 am Break
Sponsored by 3M
- 9:30 am - 10:30 am Software Demo Session
Clearstory | ControlQore | Corfix | Fieldwire | Strategies Group
- 10:45 am Busses Depart for FCIA Memorial Golf Tournament

CELEBRATION GOLF CLUB (OFF-SITE)

- 12:00 pm - 5:30 pm FCIA Memorial Golf Tournament
Pre-registration Required

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- 11:30 am - 4:30 pm The "I Don't Wanna Golf" Outing
Pre-registration Required

WINDSONG BALLROOM 7-12

- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Networking Reception & Golf Awards
Attendees, Spouses, Guests, and Speakers Welcome
Reception Sponsored by Hilti | Awards Sponsored by Owens Corning /
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

GRAND VIEW TERRACE

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7:00 am – 7:45 am Women in Firestopping Networking Breakfast

WINDSONG BALLROOM 7-12

7:30 am – 3:30 pm Conference Registration Open

7:30 am – 4:15 pm Trade Show Floor Open

7:30 am – 8:00 am Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors
Sponsored by Specified Technologies Inc.

8:00 am – 8:45 am **Closed Contractor & Inspection Agency Session**
Firestops with Unprotected Steel Members
Matthew Winston, P.E., Hilti

8:45 am – 10:00 am How Have Tariffs Impacted Construction & What To Expect In 2026
Richard Branch, Free Agent Economist

10:00 am – 10:15 am Break
Sponsored by Siderise

10:15 am – 11:15 am High-Rise Healing: Ten Years After – Trends, Lessons and Forecasts
Doug King, AIA, NCARB, ACHA, Project Management Advisors Inc.

11:15 am – 11:30 am Break
Sponsored by Construction Specialties

11:30 am – 12:30 pm Firestop Solutions for Plastic Pipes
3M | Hilti | Metacaulk | Specified Technologies Inc.

12:30 pm – 1:15 pm FCIA Luncheon
Sponsored by Hilti

WINDSONG LAWN

1:15 pm – 2:30 pm Demo Round Robin - Plastic Pipe Firestop Solutions
3M | Hilti | Metacaulk | Specified Technologies Inc.

WINDSONG BALLROOM 7-12

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm Break
Sponsored by ROCKWOOL

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025**GRAND VIEW TERRACE**

All times listed are in EDT

- 2:45 pm – 3:15 pm **The UL QFCP Partner Program: News You Can Use**
Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions
- 3:15 pm – 4:00 pm **Exhibitor Member Updates**
- 4:00 pm – 4:15 pm **Break**
Sponsored by Inpro
- 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm **Closed Contractor & Inspection Agency Session**
Driving Efficiency and Compliance with STI's Digital Ecosystem
Tyler Babb, Specified Technologies Inc.
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm **FCIA Contractor & Inspection Agency Members Only Session**

WINDSONG FOUNTAIN LAWN

- 6:30 pm – 10:30 pm **The FCIA FICtoberfest Awards Dinner**
Included with Attendee Conference registration
Spouses, Guests, Children, and Speakers Welcome. Additional fees apply for spouses, guests, and children.
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025

WINDSONG BALLROOM 7-12

All times listed are in EDT

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|----------------------------|--|
| 7:30 am - 9:30 am | Conference Registration Open |
| 7:30 am - 11:00 am | Trade Show Floor Open |
| 7:30 am - 8:00 am | FCIA Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors
Sponsored by Owens Corning / Thermafiber |
| 8:00 am - 9:00 am | Life Safety in Action: Navigating Firestop Work in Healthcare Facilities
Mark Schultz, CHFM, HCA Healthcare |
| 9:00 am - 9:15 am | Break
Sponsored by MM Systems |
| 9:15 am - 10:15 am | Safety Doesn't Happen By Chance!
Sheryl Tricocci, CFPS, SET, MBA, NFPA |
| 10:15 am - 11:00 am | The Most Important Boring Thing You'll Ever Hear About
Bill McHugh, FCIA Rich Walke, CTI |
| 11:00 am | FCIA Firestop Industry
Conference & Trade Show Ends |

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025

8:00 am - 8:30 am

FCIA: The Vision, The Mission, The Association

Bill McHugh, FCIA

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.

8:30 am - 11:30 am

FCIA Education for the FM & UL Firestop Exams

Rich Walke, CTI

The FM & UL 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 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 Firestop Exams 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.*

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Quality Management System Manual Development: A How-To Session

Joanna Blaney, 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 Solutions 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.



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025

8:00 am - 8:20 am

**FCIA President's Welcome,
Association Comments, & Board
Candidate Introductions**

Gus Mancini, 2025 FCIA Board President |
Bill McHugh, FCIA

Hear from the 2025 Board President and
meet the 2025 Board of Directors candidates.
Then, hear about all the exciting new things
happening at FCIA.

8:20 am - 9:20 am

Resilient Leadership on Purpose
Linda Edgecombe, Learning Resources

Join us for this interactive, keynote as
we look at what it takes to Lead more
intentionally to re-engage you and your
teams. Come and get the Energy Boost you
have been looking for.

9:30 am - 10:30 am

Software Demo Session

Looking for a software solution for Change
Orders? Bids? The make sure to attend
this software demo session where software
providers provide real-time demos, then
make time to meet with them during the
trade show.

11:30 am - 4:30 pm

The "I Don't Wanna Golf" Outing

A culinary adventure awaits for those who'd
rather sauté than swing. Skip the greens
and step into the kitchen on the "I Don't
Wanna Golf" Tour. We head to a hands-on
cooking class where our mantra is, "May the
Forks Be With You".

12:00 pm - 5:30 pm

FCIA Memorial Golf Tournament

Proceeds from the tournament and
sponsorships fund the FCIA President's
Memorial Scholarship(s) for FPE and CM
students.

This year's outing is OFF-SITE, so make sure
you don't miss the bus. Literally!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

7:00 am - 7:45 am

**Women in Firestopping Networking
Breakfast**

Start your day with purpose and connection
at the Women in Firestopping Networking
Breakfast. This gathering is more than a
meal—it's a chance to spark meaningful
conversations, share insights, and celebrate
the contributions of women shaping the
firestop industry. Whether you're just
stepping into the field or bringing years of
experience, you'll find an energizing space to
build lasting relationships, exchange ideas,
and inspire one another toward greater
impact and leadership in our profession.

8:00 am - 8:45 am

**Closed Contractor & Inspection
Agency Session**

**Firestops with Unprotected Steel
Members**

Matthew Winston, P.E., HILTl

Firestop applications arise from model
building code requirements which aim to
protect fire resistance rated assemblies.
Yet not every building element critical to
life safety is required to have fire resistance
ratings by these same codes. Unprotected
steel members are allowed by building
codes in conditions where they interact with
firestop systems. Many times it is impossible
to avoid having unprotected steel as part of
the firestop system itself.

This presentation explores the code
pathway and examples of when firestop
systems must incorporate unprotected steel
members. It also addresses the technical
challenges highlighted when testing firestop
systems involving unprotected steel. The
goal is for participants to understand why
this interaction happens, and the steps that
can be taken to advance life safety through
compartmentation.



8:45 am - 10:00 am

How Have Tariffs Impacted Construction & What To Expect In 2026

Richard Branch, Free Agent Economist

This year has been fraught with uncertainty around tariffs, labor, and the track of interest rates. This session will focus on how those issues impacted construction in 2025, and what might change in 2026.

10:15 am - 11:15 am

High Rise Healing: Ten Years After – Trends, Lessons and Forecasts

Doug King, AIA, NCARB, ACHA, Project Management Advisors Inc.

The genre of High-Rise Health Facilities started with Douglas King's blog in 2015 asking "Are We Ready for High Rise Hospitals". This blog post, which was a viral post in the BD+C and AIA Networks, beget the first (and only) article published in the Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitats Journal (CTBUH) in the spring of 2016 on this subject. This article led to a conference held in Chicago - sponsored by the Chicago Committee on High Rise Buildings on the subject of High-Rise Healing.

The challenges and opportunities for enhanced healing presented by high-rise healthcare solutions will be the subject of this presentation. The speaker will address "drivers" for why health facilities seek vertical solutions in a variety of campus settings and will discuss where these genre of structures are being built. The presentation will articulate a wide range of key technical aspects of these facilities, including legacy lessons on creation of the "adaptable healthcare chassis" and breakthroughs in vertical transportation; with implementing cutting edge ideas such as the growing use of AI and Robotics to move materials through these structures and the emergence of "intelligent building systems in healthcare settings" allowing for enhanced patient experience.

As a highlight - the presenter will address the important aspects of "defend in place strategies", stressing the vital contributions fire stopping offers to the overall successful compartmentalization and safety in these large, complex structures.

11:30 am -12:30 pm

Firestop Solutions for Plastic Pipes

3M | HILTI | Metacaulk | Specified Technologies, Inc.

This panel of firestop system experts comes together to address your burning questions on how to approach fire-resistance for combustible plastic pipes.

1:15 pm - 2:30 pm

Demo Round Robin - Firestop Solutions for Plastic Pipes

3M | HILTI | Metacaulk | Specified Technologies, Inc.

In this small group round robin, attendees will rotate between four action stations covering various options and scenarios for firestop solutions for combustible plastic pipes. Visit each action station to learn each manufacturer's approach to the field challenges you encounter every day.

2:45 pm - 3:15 pm

The UL QFCP Partner Program: News You Can Use

Mark St. Onge, UL Solutions

This session looks at program and company updates for the UL Solutions Qualified Firestop Contractor Program that affect you.

3:15 pm - 4:00 pm

Exhibitor Member Updates

FIC '25 exhibitors take the stage to announce new products and company news!

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Closed Contractor & Inspection Agency Session

Driving Efficiency and Compliance with STI's Digital Ecosystem

Tyler Babb, Specified Technologies Inc.

In today's fast-paced construction environment, contractors are under increasing pressure to deliver projects on time, within budget, and in full compliance with life safety codes. Specified Technologies Inc. (STI) is helping meet that challenge with a suite of powerful digital solutions designed to simplify firestop planning, installation, and inspection.

This presentation will introduce attendees to Firestop Clash Manager (FCM) and Firestop Locator (FSL)—two connected, innovative technologies that streamline workflows, reduce costly delays, and ensure code compliance from design through project closeout.

- Firestop Clash Manager (FCM): An advanced Revit plugin that identifies and resolves firestop clashes early in the design phase, saving contractors time, reducing rework, and improving coordination across trades.
- Firestop Locator (FSL): A mobile-

friendly platform that tracks, documents, and manages firestop installations in the field, giving contractors real-time visibility, simplifying inspection preparation, and providing a digital record for ongoing compliance. FSL integrates seamlessly with FCM to ensure what is designed in FCM is automatically transferred to FSL, saving time and optimizing efficiency.

Attendees will learn how these tools not only work smarter but also enhance collaboration between contractors, designers, and inspectors—helping projects move forward smoothly and with confidence.

By leveraging STI's digital ecosystem, contractors gain a competitive edge while ensuring their work meets the highest standards of safety and quality.

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

FCIA Contractor & Inspection Agency Members Only Session

Let your voice be heard in this FCIA Contractor & Inspection Agency Members Only session. Ask questions. Provide input. Address your Board and Leadership. Put this session to work for you.





THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Life Safety in Action: Navigating Firestop Work in Healthcare Facilities Mark Schultz, HCA Healthcare

Hospitals are some of the most challenging—and critical—environments for firestop contractors to work in. This session explores how life safety requirements in healthcare occupancies are shaped by patient protection, complex building systems, and regulatory oversight.

We'll break down practical strategies for navigating the hospital hierarchy, from facility managers to infection control teams, and share tips for setting your crews up for success in these unique conditions. Attendees will gain a deeper understanding of why healthcare life safety requirements are so stringent, what it takes to maintain compliance, and how to strengthen and create long-term relationships with hospital stakeholders while delivering top-quality firestop installations.

9:15 am - 10:15 am

Safety Doesn't Happen By Chance!

Sheryl Tricoci, CFPS, SET, MBA, NFPA

In this session, attendees will learn how NFPA's more than 300 Codes and Standards keep them and their loved ones safe every day. We explore the mission of NFPA, the Fire & Life Safety Ecosystem, the current assault on Safety, The Pro Codes Act, and how everyone can participate in the process of keeping themselves and their loved ones safe - now and in the future!

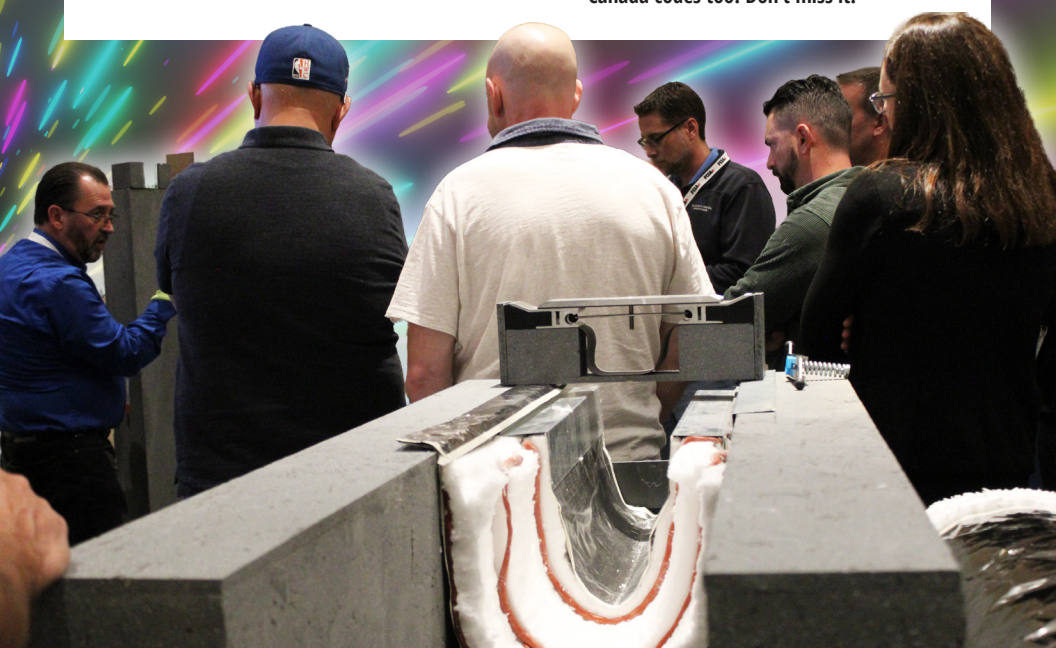
10:15 am - 11:00 am

The Most Important Boring Thing You'll Ever Hear About

Bill McHugh, FCIA | Rich Walke, CTI

The Building and Fire Code Development Process at the International Code Council, NFPA, National Building / Fire Code of Canada, and other codes, is as dull as it gets. However, industries can appear or disappear by a code proposal eliminating the industry.

This session covers what we'll be discussing at the upcoming ICC Code Development Committee Action Hearings in October, Public Comment Hearing in April, 2026, summer NFPA Fire Protection Features Committee. Meeting in summer, 2026, Canada codes too. Don't miss it!



Tyler Babb, Strategic Account Manager



Tyler Babb is a Strategic Account Manager at Specified Technologies, Inc., a leading manufacturer of firestop products and solutions. For more than a decade, he has specialized exclusively in firestop, gaining deep expertise in the design, development, and implementation of firestop systems and life safety codes.

Throughout his career, Tyler has partnered with a wide range of clients—including commercial, healthcare, telecommunications, and government facilities—to ensure effective life safety strategies. In addition to his technical expertise, he is an experienced educator and trainer, having equipped countless architects, engineers, inspectors, and contractors with the knowledge and skills needed to design and apply firestop systems that protect lives and property.

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Joanna Blaney, AVP/Technical Team Manager, FM Approvals (Materials group) graduated from the University of California, San Diego with a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Joanna spent several years in the utility industry before arriving with FM Approvals in 2007. She started her career as an Approvals engineer evaluating and testing a broad range of building materials. She has also worked to develop new and revised Approval standards for FM Approvals as well as test standards for ANSI.

After 10 years advancing on the technical ladder Joanna made the switch to being a technical manager. She now manages a team of Approvals Engineers. She enjoys the development and training aspect of her management role, especially seeing members of her team succeed.

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Richard Branch is an economist with nearly 30 years experience in delivering data driven insights and guidance for organizations of all size. Most recently Rich was chief economist at Dodge Construction Network - the preeminent construction data and analytics company in the U.S. - where he spent a total of 14 year specializing in construction economics.

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Steve Cooper, Vice President of Spec Development and Training



Steve Cooper is Vice President of Spec Development and Training for Building Safety products with CSW Industrials, headquartered in Dallas, TX. He has extensive experience in Manufacturing Operations, Sales, and Product Design, as well as Technical and Executive level management. He works with Architects and Engineers to develop proper specifications and designs using life safety and fire-rated products on large commercial and institutional projects. Steve also has several years' experience as an independent third-party inspector for Intertek and Omega Point laboratories.

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Linda Edgecombe, Speaker



Linda Edgecombe is a change and leadership expert, Hall of Fame speaker, award-winning celebrity humorist, award-winning philanthropist, and bestselling author.

With 30+ years of experience, Linda's mission is to get people fired up and ready to shift! She passionately promises to deliver programs that create powerful shifts for inspired, energized and accountable professionals who show up everyday ready to take on the world. She also promises it will be a heck of a good time – maybe the best laugh they will have had in a long time! She believes that a laugh is worth more than a thousand words and it has the power to change the way people feel, think, and take action.

Linda is fortunate to work with Fortune 100 and 500 companies. She has been featured in the Wall Street Journal as an expert in “Shifting Perspectives” and quoted in Globe and Mail, CTV, CBC, CBS, NBC. Linda is included in the Top 60 Motivational Speakers in the World.

In her free time, you'll find her in the garden planting, weeding, or harvesting. She also shines in her kitchen where she not only makes amazing food – she holds court with her friends and family, and she whips up new recipes weekly. Linda has a very distinctive laugh cackle that once heard, is not only contagious, it is always remembered.

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Douglas J., King, AIA, NCARB, ACHA, Vice President Emeritus

With over 40 years of advisory and planning experience in the healthcare sector, **Doug King** is an influencer in the healthcare facilities arena, blending intensive involvement in design/planning of large-scale health facilities with research and involvement in academia. He frequently speaks at healthcare conferences and universities across the US on design for high rise health facilities, and most recently has been addressing the topic of - artificial intelligence and use of robotics in achieving logistics automation in healthcare facilities.

He has authored the only two published industry articles devoted to design and construction of high-rise health facilities - both available through the CTBUH Journal archives. Additionally, Doug is active sharing thought leadership through conference presentations, publications and prolifically via social media. While leading complex award-winning healthcare projects, Doug conducted IRB approved, funded research, and has held appointments at noted universities including the University of Illinois, KU's Health and Wellness Program and most currently, Northwestern University.

He is a member of the Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitats and is an elected member of the Chicago Committee on High Rise Buildings. He served as a co-chair of the new Chicago Building Code in 2019. In 2021 he was selected as an "HCD10" honoree (by Healthcare Design Magazine) as the top Healthcare Architect in the US and was appointed to the ULI's international based Health Leaders Network (HLN).

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Bill McHugh, Technical Director

In his 43 years in the construction industry, **Bill McHugh** has been involved in Associations to help improve the reliability of various construction features. He has worked at major construction products manufacturers, a specialist firestop distributor and contractor - even provided independent inspection - prior to being involved in FCIA and NFCA.

Bill participates in Building and Fire, Energy Code Development processes and has served on the ICC's 'Fire Safety' Code Development Committee and serves on the Fire Protection Features Committee at NFPA. He is a past Institute Director, Chapter President, and Region President at the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) and member at Construction Specifications Canada (CSC), and is a past member of the International Accreditation Services (IAS) Board of Directors.

He served as organizer and moderator for the ASHE/TJC/FCIA/UL Passive Fire Protection Barrier Management Symposiums and has presented at many conferences, effectively educating thousands. In addition to being a published author in many magazines, he also produces *Life Safety Digest*.

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Samantha Peterson is an Application Engineer Specialist with 3M supporting their full fire protection product portfolio.

In her role with 3M, Samantha provides technical information and guidance to end users, while also conducting certification testing, product training, and serving as an industry expert. She is also the ASTM E06.21 Subcommittee Chair on building serviceability. Samantha enjoys using her technical and problem solving skills to help customers resolve their real world challenges and build safer buildings.

Before 3M, Samantha did facility and safety management for ExxonMobil at multiple industrial and refinery locations. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Minnesota.

Outside of work, Samantha enjoys spending time with her husband (Ben) and four kids (Gus, Catherine, Charlotte, and Margaret) enjoying local adventures.

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Mark Schultz is an accomplished Healthcare Facilities professional with over 25 years experience in large healthcare systems with a dedicated emphasis on providing a safe and secure environment to live and work in the built environment. He has served as a Safety Officer, Regional Director, and Vice President of Operations.

He has a passion for healthcare facilities and how to optimize systems while ensuring the safety of the environment and maintaining regulatory compliance. Mark was one of the early pioneers of the standardization efforts for Facility Management systems in healthcare.

In addition to his strong healthcare background, Mark has served as the AHJ/ Fire Inspector. He is a Certified Healthcare Facility Manager (CHFM) and has maintained his certification as a Fire Inspector for 30 years.

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Mark St. Onge, Senior Field Engineer, Fire Protection Specialist

Mark St. Onge has over 20 years of experience within the construction industry.

Mark served in the US Air Force building air bases across the world. Upon leaving the military, he continued to serve while joining the fire service in structural & wildland firefighting and as an EMT. Utilizing his knowledge of construction and fire, Mr. St. Onge expanded into the Special Inspection of building construction.

Mr. St. Onge is the Lead Field Engineer for the UL Firestop Special Inspection program. He is responsible for performing a variety of field inspections and for training new inspectors internally within UL.

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Sheryl Tricocci is the Regional Director for GA, SC, NC, and DE for the National Fire Protection Association. Sheryl has over 28 years in the life safety/fire protection industry and more than 20 years as an NFPA member! Sheryl is passionate about advancing NFPA's Mission to eliminate death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire and electrical hazards. Her role as Regional Director is to share that knowledge and passion with industry stakeholders and the public.

Sheryl's experience includes various sales, management and director roles in the life safety and fire alarm industry. She has served and led numerous task groups and technical committees for NFPA, ICC and SFPE. She also works with industry organizations such as the Center for Campus Fire Safety and served as a member of the Board of Directors for The Automatic Fire Alarm Association.

Sheryl is an NFPA Certified Fire Protection Specialist, holds a NICET IV in Fire Alarm Systems Technologies, a Level II in Inspection, Testing and Maintenance, has a bachelor's degree in security management and an MBA with a specialization in International Business.

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Rich Walke, Technical Director



Rich Walke is the Technical Director of Creative Technology Inc., providing consulting and training services for the fire protection and code enforcement communities, including The McHugh Company and the Firestop Contractors International Association.

Previously, Rich had been employed by UL for 43 years, focusing on fire-resistance-rated construction and the protection of breaches in those assemblies. During that time, Rich was involved in testing, standards development, code development, and providing technical assistance and training to architects, engineers, contractors and code officials.

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Matthew Winston, P.E., Senior Manager of Fire Protection Engineering & Testing



Matt Winston is the Senior Manager for Fire Protection Engineering and Testing at Hilti North America. His expertise lies in a strong knowledge of active and passive fire protection systems along with deploying software to leverage the strengths of technical teams. Through engineering principles, Matthew strives to give tangible expression to values that improve the world: collaboration, humility, integrity, and courage.

He has completed an M.S. in Fire Protection Engineering at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, and a B.S. in Engineering Sciences from California State University Bakersfield. Matthew has his Professional Engineer license in the Fire Protection Engineering Discipline

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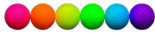


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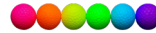
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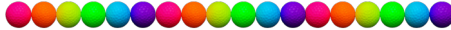
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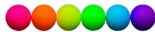
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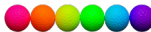
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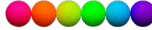
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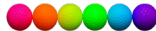


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