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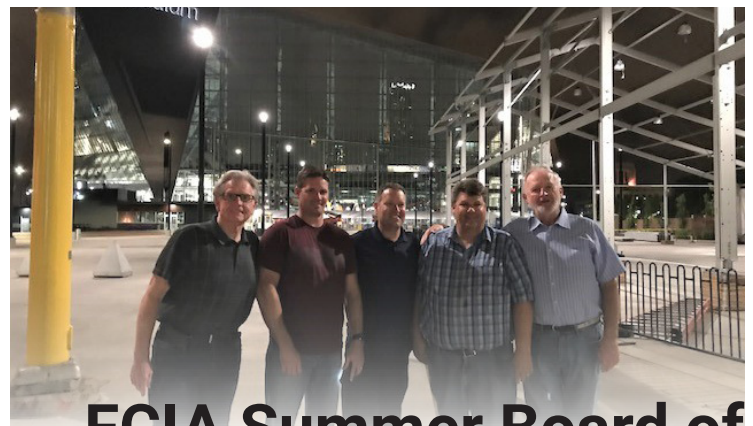
FCIA's partnership with The Joint Commission (TJC) and the American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE) has educated almost 1,000 involved in maintaining fire-resistance for healthcare facilities. The objective – teach the Healthcare Engineering Professionals how to buy firestop SYSTEMS correctly.

FCIA travelled to Phoenix July 27 and worked with 175 of the **ASHE Central Arizona Chapter** members why it makes sense for the facility to build budget into maintaining the existing fire-resistance-rated and smoke-resistant assemblies in these structures.

In O'Fallon, IL, FCIA's Bill McHugh presented to Missouri/Southern Illinois' ASHE Chapters a focused program on firestopping and an 'Executive Summary' on Barriers for over 130 people.

FCIA Members....does your ASHE Chapter/Region want a **Barrier Management Symposium**? Get with the Chapter and have them request it.

Email Lindsey@fcia.org to learn more.



FCIA Summer Board of Directors Meeting

FCIA's **2017 Board of Directors** had a great meeting this month in Minneapolis, MN. The Board discussed key issues in firestopping including standards, code, Barrier Management Systems and Symposiums and future strategic initiatives.

Then, Tuesday morning the Board welcomed Bill Kesting, 3M Fire Protection Products Worldwide General Manager, Ted Colwell, Sales Manager and Mark Lund, Applications Manager. We had a great discussion about the construction economy, efficiency and the need for installations that conform to the listings and manufacturers installation instructions. We offered a big thanks to 3M for their support of FCIA over the years as well. Thanks Bill, Ted and Mark for taking the time to visit FCIA's Board of Directors.

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FCIA 'DIIM' Symposium Opens in Canada Next Month

Registration is open! Secure your spot today. Pursue UL/ULC Qualification or FM 4991 Approval. Earn CEU's. Check out exhibitors. Network with professionals. Take advantage of \$129 CAN FCIA rates at the renovated [Holiday Inn Toronto Pearson International Airport](#).

On **September 21, FCIA's Firestop & Effective Compartmentation 'DIIM' Symposium Canada** is the place to be for education on Fire-Resistance. Don't miss these sessions:

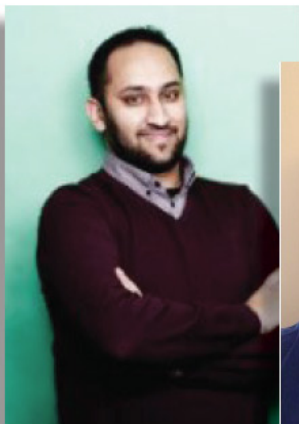
- Ontario General Contractors Association's David Frame on Canada's Certificate of Recognition (COR) Program – This new program is gaining traction in Canada. Don't miss the opportunity.
- "Firestopping, Specifications and Existing Buildings" with Kaz Kanani (Quadrangle Architects) and Paul Gerber (Archispectral Consulting, Inc.) - Specs in Division 1 speak to the building owner and manager and provide processes for construction and the life of the building.

- "Test Standards Application in the Real World" - Don Falconer, P.Eng. (Falconer Engineering and Testing) unravels fire test standard mysteries, engineering judgements through case studies in actual buildings.

- "Tall Wood Cross Laminated Timber Structures & Fire Testing" with Dr. Joseph Su (National Research Council of Canada), delegates will delve into the development of using Cross Laminated Timber (CLT) for high-rise structures & Fire Resistance.

- "The National Building Code of Canada Development Process – FCIA has several proposals in at the 2020 National Building Code of Canada Development Process. Check them out during this session.

[Learn more](#)



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Looking to get UL/ULC Qualified or FM 4991 Approved, IAS AC 291 Accredited?

Firestop Contractors, looking to separate your company from the competition by pursuing the [UL/ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor Program](#) or [FM 4991 Approval](#)? Inspection Agencies, want to do the same by pursuing [IAS AC 291 Accreditation](#)? FCIA has what you need.

This **September 20**, attend FCIA's Education for the FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exam sessions to prepare yourself to write these comprehensive industry exams. Learn about the Quality Management System Manual requirements for these programs so that you are prepared to write one for your company. Then, write the [FM or UL/ULC Firestop Exam](#) to establish competency and get the process started.

Can't make it? Need more time to study? Head to Palm Springs for [FCIA's Firestop Industry Conference and Trade Show](#) for FCIA's Education and the FM and UL/ULC Firestop Exams.



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Calling All FCIA Leaders...

FCIA's advocacy for properly Designed, Installed, Inspected and Maintained Firestop Systems and Effective Compartmentation has produced results. The passion for this advocacy comes from the men and women who serve and have served on the FCIA's Committees and Board of Directors.

Each year, the FCIA Contractor members can apply to the FCIA Board of Directors through the **FCIA Call for Director Nominations**. New FCIA Directors serve a three-year term.

What's Required?

- Committee Participation
- Travel to four FCIA Board meetings per year. Board meetings take place at FCIA ECA and FCIA FIC Conferences, and separate Winter and Summer Meetings. Reasonable travel is reimbursed.
- Donate time for regular teleconferences
- Attend FCIA Conferences or Symposiums.
- Be willing to give back to FCIA and the Firestop Industry!

Nominate yourself or another FCIA Contractor Member for FCIA's Board of Directors on the 2017-2019 Board! Email cathy@FCIA.org with your interest.

Get Involved...

Are you ready to serve the FCIA and Firestop Industry? Join an **FCIA Committee**. **Simply fill out the application** and email it back. FCIA's Board of Directors approves all committee members. Board members come from the ranks of the committees.

Email cathy@FCIA.org with your interest.

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FCIA FIC 2017 Expertise. Innovation. Success.

Registration is OPEN for the [FCIA Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show \(FIC 2017\)](#), heading to the [Omni Rancho Las Palmas](#) in **Palm Springs, CA**, this **November 7-10**.

Take in the stunning locale during this four-day event featuring:

- FCIA Education for the FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exams;
- [FM and UL/ULC Firestop Exams](#);
- [Technical and Business Development Education Sessions](#);
- [The Firestop Industry Trade Show](#);
- Ray Usher Memorial Golf Outing, benefitting the Bob LeClair Memorial Scholarship Fund;
- [Networking and Social Events](#);
- And More!

Start your week with FCIA Education for the Firestop Exams and the FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exams. These third-party accreditation programs help Firestop Contractor firms and Special Inspection Agencies specializing in Firestop Inspections elevate the industry by raising the bar on quality and expertise. Demonstrate your expertise. Position your firm for success with accreditation.

Then, attend three-days of focused industry education designed to fill your toolbox with all the tools necessary to sharpen your professional chops. Sessions will include:

- “Top Firestop Manufacturer Help Desk Questions” – This FCIA Manufacturer Member Panel answer top questions received at Help Desks. This session will spark a dynamic discussion.
- “The Seasons of Life – Change, Attitude, Perseverance – Your Personal and Professional Development is Key” with Richard Coffey (*Richard Coffey, Unlimited*) gives you the tools needed to navigate the constantly changing seasons of life and professional development for success (**KEYNOTE SESSION**);
- “What Keeps Property Managers & General Contractors Awake at Night” – Patrick Shaw (*Cushman Wakefield*) and Corey Zussman (*Pepper Construction*) return to delve deeper into the Firestop Contractor’s value to customers - Building Owners and GC’s;
- With a new regulation for crystalline silica in effect

September 23, new electronic reporting requirements for employers and new fall protection rules, OSHA’s San Bernadino Office will unravel how to comply in “OSHA Update - Silica, Fall Protection, Electronic Reporting and More”;

- “High-Rise Facade Fires, Why” with Joe Lstiburek, PhD, P.Eng, ASHRAE Fellow (Building Science, Inc.) will look at key design flaws in the exterior building envelope from both a fire and energy perspective, including a look at the recent Grenfell Tower fire in the UK;
- “How to Find, Train, Motivate and Retain Employees” – Kevin Dougherty, Consultant, has a passion for the construction industry. Want to develop and maintain a killer team of professional firestop/containment workers, office or sales employees? Don’t miss this program.
- “Time – It’s All You Have” with Jonathan Flannery (*ASHE*) explores time management and key ways to optimize your time to maximize productivity;
- And More...

Meet with representatives from the leading Manufacturers, Distributors and others featuring the newest technologies, services and products at the FCIA Exhibits. And, make new connections and see FCIA Friends through various networking events, like the Ray Usher Memorial Golf Outing.

Early registration discounts are available until October 8. Book your flight and [make hotel reservations](#), and we’ll see you this November for a dynamite event built with your personal and professional success in mind.



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FCIA Educational Webinar Series September Program Announced

The [FCIA FREE Educational Webinar Series](#) announces the September installment in the monthly instructional webinar program.

All areas of construction, from Design to Maintenance and everything in between ('DIIM'), play a critical role in the effectiveness of firestop systems. FCIA Member Firestop Manufacturers, Contractors and Inspection Agencies all provide consistent, high-quality firestop product installations that become systems as a critical part of Effective Compartmentation through the '[DIIM](#)' of Firestopping. But what is 'DIIM', and why is it important?

In this program, '[The 'DIIM' of Firestopping Explained](#)', attendees will hear about the key elements in firestopping, including inspection and installation, maintenance.

Registration is **NOW OPEN**. [Register Today](#).

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FCIA heads to Providence, RI this September for [CONSTRUCT 2017](#) and the CSI National Convention. Specifiers want to know what key items to specify.

At the show, FCIA provides a [sample 07-84-00 Firestopping Specification](#). The FCIA Spec outlines the proper Design, Installation, Inspection and Maintenance of Firestopping. The 'DIIM' process actually got its start at CSI in 2001 through presentations and conversations with leading specifiers.

We always look forward to seeing our specifier friends. Visit FCIA's Tradeshow booth (#639) and pick up Life Safety Digest in the Publication Bins.

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FCIA Bringing Specialty Firestop Contractors to ICC's Building Safety & Design Expo

FCIA participates at the International Code Council's Annual [Building Safety & Design Expo](#) in Columbus, OH this September 10-11. This event brings professionals from the built environment together for a safer, more resilient world.

Be sure to stop by the FCIA booth (#312), and pick-up a copy of the current issue of Life Safety Digest from the Publication Bins on the Expo floor.



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FCIA at ASHE's Annual Conference & Technical Exhibition

The FCIA Trade Show Booth and Leadership recently returned from **Indianapolis, IN** and the [ASHE Annual Convention](#). Traffic was strong at the booth, with show attendance estimated at 4,000 professionals from the Healthcare Facility Management and Engineering sectors.

FCIA promoted the importance of using Firestop Contractors for installation and maintenance of installed firestop systems and barrier management systems. We also spent time on the importance of following the 'DIIM' of Firestopping.

We applaud ASHE for another successful event, and we look forward to our continued partnership with this, the Barrier Management Symposiums and education for fire-resistance and safety.

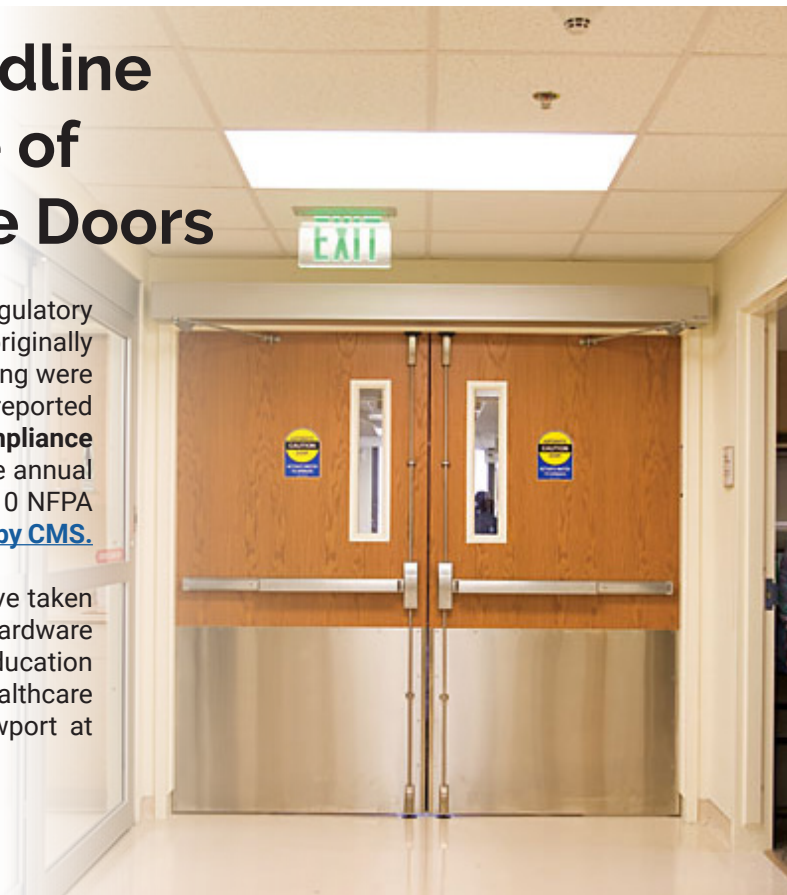
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Fire Door Alert - CMS Deadline Extended for Compliance of Inspection/Testing of Fire Doors

The [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' \(CMS\)](#) regulatory adoption of [NFPA 101, Life Safety Code, 2012 edition](#), was originally July 5, 2016. The required annual door inspections and testing were expected by July 6, 2017. However, considering the level of reported misunderstanding of this requirement, **CMS has extended the compliance date for this requirement by six months.** Full compliance with the annual fire door assembly inspection and testing in accordance with 2010 NFPA 80 is required by Jan. 1, 2018. [Read the announcement published by CMS.](#)

FCIA members sometimes perform Door Inspections. Several have taken the Fire Door Assembly Inspector education at the Door and Hardware Institute (DHI). DHI'S Door Security & Safety Foundation's Education Advocate program is getting rolling. It's a good program to help healthcare facilities comply with CMS requirements. Contact Sharon Newport at snewport@dhi.org for info.



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Structural Engineers & Fire-Resistance

Firestopping is used for effective compartmentation AND protecting building elements for fire resistance for structural purposes. Members of the American Society of Civil Engineers have produced an appendix on performance-

based structural fire design for fire resistance in ASCE-7. More on this as we learn the implications on fire and life safety of this new program.

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FCIA Advocates Aid for Hurricane Harvey Victims

Hurricane Harvey continues to wreak havoc on southeast Texas and parts of southwest Louisiana. Thousands are without homes and shelter, and water levels continue to rise. And as Harvey made a second landfall this week, the devastation is expected to continue through Wednesday at least.

While some FCIA members in the region have been lucky enough to avoid major catastrophe, others – including FCIA member contractor employee families living in low lying areas - have not been so fortunate.

FCIA sends heartfelt condolences to those who have lost homes, pets, belongings, possibly loved ones, due to this storm. For those interested in donating to help, here are some options:

- [American Red Cross](#)
- [Salvation Army](#)
- The City of Houston [Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund](#)

All options are tax deductible and send aid to the region.

FCIA Welcomes New Members

FCIA works hard to spread the word of the **'DIIM' of Firestopping** around the world, encouraging all interested Contractors, Consultant Firms, Associates, Manufacturers, Manufacturer Rep Firms and more to become involved to grow the industry's call for better Fire and Life Safety.



FCIA proudly welcomes new members, and **we thank them for their support and commitment to the Firestop industry.**

Thank you to all current members, as well, for helping to grow FCIA and the Specialty Firestop trade, resulting in improved Fire and Life Safety Systems.

FCIA New Contractor Members

- RC Construction - Nepean, ON

FCIA New International Contractor Members

- Plus Passive Fire - Brisbane, Australia

FCIA New Contractor Branch Members

- Top Build - Davenport Commercial - Upper Marlboro, MD

FCIA New Associate Members

- Idaho National Library - Idaho Falls, ID
- Materials Testing & Inspection - Boise, ID

FCIA New Manufacturer Branch Members

- AD Fire Protection Systems - Scarborough, ON

FCIA Members: Do you have more than one Branch location? Make it easier to be found worldwide with a 'Branch Membership and Listing' at www.FCIA.org. Questions? Email cathy@fcia.org and we'll fill you in.



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