



## WHY REGISTER FOR FIC '21?

The firestop and effective compartmentation industry is an everchanging landscape. Stay at the forefront of your field by attending innovative firestop education with FCIA this November 2-5 in San Diego, CA.



Here's a glimpse of what you'll see at FIC '21, the FCIA Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show:

- Education Sessions on workforce development, firestop and fireresistance code and standards developments
- Networking opportunities with a wide range of peers and exhibitors
- Trade Show interactions with the top solution providers in the industry

You'll leave FIC '21 armed with new knowledge, a cutting-edge blueprint for success, and ready to propel your company to new levels of success.

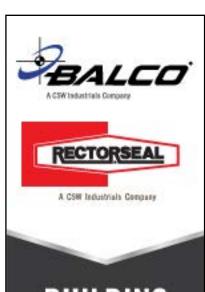
Register to attend FIC '21 by October 4 for Early Bird Discounts.



Rancho Bernardo Inn \$195/night\*

BOOK ONLINE or call 844-226-8262 and mention 'Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show' to get the FCIA group discount.





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## FCIA MARKETING COMMITTEE ON THE ROAD AGAIN

CIA's <u>Marketing Committee</u> is back at it, promoting fire and life safety benefits using a Specialty Firestop Installation Contractor and Special Inspection Agency - and FCIA Members - to interested groups around the world.

Most recently, FCIA promoted this and Barrier Management Services at the ASHE Annual Conference in Nashville, TN this August 8-10. This was the first in-person event that FCIA was able to exhibit at since the COVID-19 pandemic began.

Although traffic was slower than in years past, it was great to get back out there and elbow bump with people from around the world who are interested in improving fire and life safety in health care occupancies.



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## FCIA AT ICC PUBLIC COMMENT HEARINGS

he <u>International Building Code (IBC)</u> and <u>International Fire Code (IFC)</u> is on a 3-year development cycle.

FCIA's participation at the Spring Committee Action Hearings brought some victories through approved proposals – and even victory in disapproved proposals. FCIA's Code Committee had building owner support for a proposal that would have mandated FM 4991 Approved or UL Qualified Firestop Contractors in the IBC.

In late September, we'll be in Pittsburgh to participate in the 2024 IBC and IFC Public Comment Hearings – with a few key proposals to support and oppose. Watch for a report in late fall.



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## FCIA AT ASTM

October 2019 was the last time the <u>ASTM Standards</u> <u>Development Process</u> held face-to-face meetings. The upcoming October ASTM Meetings will bring the firestopping industry together to discuss:

- **DRAFT Labelling Standard** Where should the firestop system number be located on a wall or floor? Next to the penetrating item, joint or on it? Under development and moving quickly is a standard to address these issues.
- ASTM E2174, ASTM E2393 the Firestop Inspection Standards, where there are always great industry discussions on better fire and life safety.

- ASTM E3038 the Firestop Inspector Competency Standard, to eliminate confusion of who the 'candidate' is – the company (pass one exam and everyone in the company gets a pass) or the individual (each person within the company).
- **ASTM E3157** the Firestop Guide, where further issues uncovered by FCIA will be discussed, and hopefully, resolved.
- Much more...

## FCIA AT NFPA

The development of the 2024 version of the NFPA 101, The Life Safety Code, and NFPA 5000, Building, Construction and Safety Code, is moving along nicely. Committee meetings are taking place for the occupancy chapters, and results are being recirculated for ballot.

Watch for more on this in the near future as FCIA's efforts move forward.

## FCIA AT NBCC

he <u>National Building Code of Canada</u> is on a 5-year development cycle.

FCIA has been working on trying to add building special inspection for firestopping, using the ASTM E174 and ASTM E2393 Firestop and Fire-Resistive Joint Inspection Standards.

### **Upcoming Events**

August 23-24	FCIA Board Meeting
August 25	FCIA Webinar
September 15	FCIA Webinar
September 21- 29	ICC Public Comment Hearings
September 28-29	Virtual CHES Conference



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## FCIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETS

**CIA's Board of Directors** spends time discussing Committee activities, industry direction, and much more. Twice yearly, these volunteer leaders travel to board meetings separate from the <u>FCIA Conferences</u>. When you see them at a Conference, thank them for their time. Interested in Board or Committee Service? FCIA's Board approves member volunteers for all Committees. Check out the Committee pages at www.FCIA.org to see where your time and talents would fit best. <u>Email us</u> indicating your interest, and we'll be sure the Board gets your application!

# **UL BUILDING INNOVATION SUMMIT**

UL recently announced their upcoming UL Building Innovation Summit 2021, taking place this August 31 – September 2, 2021. This three-day virtual event features informative sessions given by UL safety experts on a range of topics impacting the built environment, safety, and security. Hear what industry experts have to say about:

- · Enhancing safety and security in uncertain times
- · Innovations for a brighter tomorrow
- · Building strong foundations for a safer future

**REGISTER NOW:** <u>https://www.ul.com/events/building-innovation-summit-2021</u>

FCIA Members are invited to join UL for this three-day summit and register to book seats in advance.





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# FCIA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

**CIA** works hard to spread the word of the <u>'DIIM' of</u> **Firestopping** around the world, encouraging all interested Specialty Firestop Installation Contractors, Special Inspection Agencies, Associates, Manufacturers, 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**

- · EdanShield Construction Inc. Bradford, ON
- Firestopdirect Toronto, ON
- ICR Drywall Inc Tyngsboro, MA
- · Lyle Contracting Solutions Inc. Atlantic Beach, NC



#### **FCIA New Associate Members**

• Alpha Testing - San Antonio, TX

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