PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
FCIA Education Sessions help FCIA Members attain and maintain FM 4991 or UL/ULC Qualified Firestop DRI status or International Accreditation Services IAS AC 291 Special Inspection Agency responsible individual status. AHJ’s may attend the Tuesday education session for free. UL’s Firestop Exam is free for AHJ’s.

Tuesday, May 3, 2016
Gold Room

11:30 am – 5:00 pm  Registration Open

11:30 am – 12:30 pm  Lunch for Quality Management System and Firestop Exam Education Session Attendees

12:30 pm – 1:00 pm  FCIA NEW Member Session – Who is FCIA? What does it do?
**Open to all FCIA FIC Conference Attendees**

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm  FCIA Education for the FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exams
Bill McHugh, FCIA
FCIA’s Firestop Manual of Practice (MOP) is the basis for the FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exams. These exams are used to demonstrate individual competency for FM 4991 Approved Contractor and UL/ULC Qualified Contractor Program DRI’s, as well as for IAS AC 291 Responsible Persons and Special Inspectors. Prepare for the Firestop Exams by strengthening your ‘short term memory’ with this Test Prep session.

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

2:45 pm – 3:45 pm  FCIA Education for the FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exams
Bill McHugh, FCIA

3:45 pm – 5:00 pm  FCIA Management System Manual Development Education
Bill McHugh, FCIA  |  Jeff Gould, FM Approvals  |  Pam Blanchette, UL
Pursuing FM 4991 Approval or UL-ULC Qualification or IAS Accreditation? This session takes an in-depth look at the Quality Management System Manual requirements of the program and contains tips for how to write one for your company. It also covers what questions might be on the exam.
Wednesday, May 4, 2016
Ballroom 4-5

7:30 am – 5:00 pm  Conference Registration Open

7:30 am – 8:30 am  Continental Breakfast for FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exam Education Session Attendees
Sponsored by CSW Industrials

8:30 am – 12:00 pm  FM & UL/ULC Firestop Exam for DRI Candidates & Inspection Personnel
Note: The UL/ULC Firestop Exam is an OPEN BOOK exam. UL Exam Participants MUST provide your 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.

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm  Lunch
Sponsored by 3M Fire Protection Products

1:15 pm – 1:30 pm  FCIA President’s Welcome & Association Comments
Ken Slama, FCIA 2016 President

1:30 pm – 2:15 pm  Partnership Program Updates
• FM 4991 Approved Contractor Program | Jeff Gould, FM Approvals
• UL/ULC Qualified Firestop Contractors Program | Pam Blanchette, UL
• IAS AC 291 Company Accreditation | Bill McHugh, FCIA
FCIA supports both FM 4991 and the UL/ULC Qualified Firestop Contractor Programs for Firestop Contractor Company accreditation. FCIA also collaborated with IAS to build the firestopping section, in IAS AC 291’s Accreditation Criteria specifically for Firestop Inspection Agency Companies. This session will explain why one should consider staying - or becoming - Approved, Qualified or Accredited.

2:15 pm – 2:30 pm  Break
Sponsored by Specified Technologies, Inc.

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm  FCIA Committee Reports & Committee Action Sessions
(All FCIA Members welcome)

Ballroom 1
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm  Welcome Reception
Sponsored by Hilti, Inc.
Attendees, Spouses, Guests and Speakers Welcome
Thursday, May 5, 2016

7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Conference Registration Open

7:30 am – 8:15 am
FCIA Continental Breakfast
Sponsored by Roxul Inc.

8:15 am – 9:00 am
ICC/NFPA Code Update
Bill Koffel, PE, FSPE, Koffel Associates
Attend this session with FCIA’s Code Consultant to answer the question of “What’s next with the codes for our industry to provide better fire- and life-safety in buildings?” Listen as he outlines the results of April’s Committee Action Hearings from the 2018 ICC Code Development Cycle for the Fire Code, Existing Buildings and Energy Codes. Also, he covers the NFPA Code Development Process for the 2018 NFPA 101/5000. Then, gain insight on NFPA 101-2012, under consideration by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services and, as a result, The Joint Commission. NFPA 101 is also used in parts of Canada and other parts of the world.

9:00 am – 9:15 am
Break
Sponsored by EMSEAL Joint Systems, Ltd.

9:15 am – 10:30 am
High-Rise Façade Fires: A Worldwide Concern
Douglas H. Evans, P.E., FSFPE
Due to a number of high-profile losses, the Fire Protection Research Foundation initiated a study of worldwide exterior façade fires. The goal of this initial phase was to compile loss information and relevant test methods. An overview of those findings, along with additional losses that have occurred since the initial study concluded, will be covered in this presentation. Although fires involving combustible exterior wall assemblies are low-frequency events, the resulting consequences in terms of property loss and occupant safety can be excessive, as demonstrated by select fire incidents.

10:30 am – 10:45 am
Break
Sponsored by Fireline 520, an Inpro Company

10:45 am – 12:00 pm
Interpreting the UL Guide & UL’s Standards Technical Panel Issues
Luke Woods, Underwriters Laboratories
Attend this session to hear updates to and interpretations of the UL Guide from an insider’s point of view, as well as key firestop issues at UL’s Standards Technical Panel.

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Luncheon
Luncheon Sponsored by CSW Industrials
Thursday, May 5, 2016

HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY DAY – 8:15am – 3:15pm

Ballroom 4-5

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Hospital Accreditation – What Does the HFAP Process Look Like?
Alise Howlett, Assoc. AIA, CFPE, CHFM, Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program (HFAP)
The Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program (HFAP) is authorized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to survey ALL hospitals for compliance with the Medicare Conditions of Participation and Coverage. The HFAP accreditation process consists of five (5) key steps, from application to accreditation. Attend this session to learn about the HFAP survey process, the deficiencies typically found and suggestions for reducing these deficiencies.

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm

Break
Sponsored by Construction Specialties, Inc.

2:15 pm – 3:00 pm

The FCIA Containment Worker Education Program
Bill McHugh, FCIA  |  Bob Hastings, FCIA TEA Committee Chair
Since FCIA introduced its Firestop Containment Worker Education program, what has the association done with it? What are the next steps, and how can members use the program to their advantage in local marketplaces? Listen as FCIA’s Leaders show step by step how the workforce can add value to any company.

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm

Break
Sponsored by National Gypsum

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm

Building a Growth Driven Organization in a Volatile Economy
Chad Banman, Sandler Training
Building a growth driven organization in a volatile economy can be accomplished. Many organizations fail to outperform the market because they have no plan, no repeatable process, and no clear vision as to how to get there. They are busy being busy and while times are good, as the saying goes "The tide floats all boats". This session is designed to examine the four key pillars of creating a growth driven organization that leverages the one key thing that makes everyone different – their PEOPLE. Focusing on skills, staff, structure and strategy the presenter will expand on what is required in each of those areas for growth to occur, even in a volatile economy.

4:15 pm – 4:30 pm

Break
Sponsored by Thermafiber Inc. (an Owens Company)

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm

FCIA Contractor Members Only Session

Ballroom 1

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

FCIA Cocktail Reception
Sponsored by Specified Technologies, Inc.
All Attendees, Spouses, Guests and Speakers Welcome
Friday, May 6, 2016

Ballroom 4-5

7:30 am – 12:00 pm
Conference Registration Open

8:00 am – 8:30 am
FCIA Continental Breakfast
Sponsored by Fischer Fixing, LLC

8:30 am – 9:15 am
How to Overcome GC Objections to Firestop Contractors (Panel)
Bill McHugh, FCIA  |  Ben Urcavich, Performance Firestop, Inc.  |  David Mistler, Alpha Insulation & Waterproofing, Inc.
General Contractors need to buy in to the Specialty Firestop Contractor concept. How do you overcome this resistance in your market and convince GC’s to hire a specialty contractor? How do you educate GC’s on the FM and UL programs and their importance? Attend this panel session to hear what other contractors around the country are doing to combat this Trades vs. Specialty Contractor mentality.

9:15 am – 10:00 am
DIIM – Maintenance & Management
Bill McHugh, FCIA
Building Maintenance and Management starts when the keys are turned over by the General Contractor to the Building Owner and Manager. The sprinkler and alarm industry have done well to build maintenance and management into the culture of the building’s operations staff. There are also code requirements for Firestopping and Fire-Resistance-Rated and Smoke-Resistant construction. Attend this session to get the code language that mandates repairs, replacements and inspections of fire-resistance-rated and smoke-resistant systems in buildings.

10:00 am – 10:15 am
Break
Sponsored by Hilti, Inc.

10:15 am – 11:00 am
Firestop Manufacturer New Systems and Products Panel
John Wuebbeling, HILTI  |  Riley Archer, RectorSeal  |  Melanie Bisson, ROXUL
Catch this session to hear as FCIA Manufacturer members highlight their new systems and products, all focused on helping Firestop Contractors succeed and improve installed fire- and life-safety systems in buildings.

11:00 am – 11:45 am
FCIA Conference Hot Topic Open Mic Session

11:45 am – 12:00 pm
Conference Closing Remarks

12:00 pm
FCIA Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show Ends
NOTE: FCIA Committees can meet after the Conclusion

Plan to attend FIC 2016, FCIA’s Firestop Industry Conference & Trade Show, at the Wild Dunes Resort in Isle of Palms, SC this November 8-11, 2016!

Through active participation in the FCIA and related forums, members contribute to the advancement of the firestop and compartmentation industry and maintain exceptional knowledge of this specialized trade.

“You get back in return what you give to the Association. Consider getting actively involved in FCIA. Volunteer for a Committee.”

Ken Slama, 2016 FCIA President