



CCFS Activity Report: Quarter 4, 2010 IN REVIEW

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The Details:

#### CCFS 2010 Year in Review, including CCFS 4th Quarter activity report

**FORUM 2010:** Campus Fire Forum - our flagship educational event and annual conference was a great success. A sub-committee of the CCFS larger Professional Development, Education and Events Committee worked diligently to help make this event the success it was and are commended for their efforts. Attendance was good and our post-Forum survey produced very favorable results. Visit <http://www.campusfiresafety.org/campus-fire-forum> for an overview of this event.

FORUM 2011 will be officially announced in our next newsletter, however it's no secret that we are going to be in Indianapolis early November.

**New - VIRTUAL FORUM:** An online Virtual Forum was created for attendees to log-in and receive copies of presentations, and for exhibitors to showcase their products. Visit <http://www.campusfiresafety.org/campus-fire-forum> to see this new feature added during 2010.

**COMMITTEES & THEIR TASKING:** 2010 saw the development of new CCFS Committees

- Professional Development, Education and Events Committee
- Membership Committee
- Codes, Standards and Technical Research Committee
- Government Affairs Committee

Professional Development, Education & Events team is charged with organizing a wide range of educational opportunities, ranging from webinars and on-site training, to our flagship Campus Fire Forum.

The Membership Committee is actively working on a recruitment campaign, membership benefits and materials, in addition to finding dynamic ways to engage our members yet more. Membership in 2010 increased by approximately 65%.

The Codes and Standards Committee reviews hundreds of proposals and public comments associated with amendments to the ICC family of codes

- with a keen eye on the IFC and IBC. The Committee is also reviews the various standards that are on the agenda for action at the NFPA Conference and Expo.

Government Affairs is charges with developing a strategic plan to help build the support necessary to shepherd the latest piece of federal legislation related to campus fire safety through Congress.

## **LEGISLATION**

Second quarter of 2010 saw activity of a federal legislative nature with the following highlights:

- May 19 - passage of H.R.2136, the *Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones College Fire Prevention Act*, by the House of Representatives. This bill directs the Secretary of Education to make competitive demonstration grants to institutions of higher education (IHEs), fraternities, and sororities for up to half the cost of installing fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in student housing and dormitories owned or controlled by such entities.
- Introduction of *The Campus Fire Safety Education Act of 2010* (H.R 4908/S.3142) by Senator Frank R. Lautenberg and Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr., both of New Jersey. These bills will establish a new \$25 million competitive grant program to initiate, expand or improve fire safety education programs at institutions of higher education. Priority would be given to programs that include educational material specifically prepared for students with disabilities.

In the last quarter, in accordance with the requirements of The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) & Campus Fire Safety Right-to-Know:

- October 1st marked the deadline for schools to submit their first report to the US Department of Education. Guidance and reference materials to assist colleges and universities with compliance were made available on the CCFS website.

**IMPROVEMENTS TO CCFS WEBSITE:** The following enhancements were made:

### ***Member WebSite*** [www.campusfiresafety.org/members](http://www.campusfiresafety.org/members)

- We enhanced our subscription service to allow members to receive notification when something is added to our site. If you haven't done so already, please take a moment to sign onto your member account and register for our subscription service.
- Affiliate Members - We have an area to post your product literature and news releases for members to review. Simply send your information in pdf format to: [supportteam@campusfiresafety.org](mailto:supportteam@campusfiresafety.org)

### ***Public WebSite:*** [www.campusfiresafety.org](http://www.campusfiresafety.org)

- **Library:** We developed a library to include a vast collection of articles, white papers, presentations and more, and we hope will provide a valuable resource to our community. Please feel free to contribute to our library. Simply send your electronic contribution to our team for review: [SupportTeam@campusfiresafety.org](mailto:SupportTeam@campusfiresafety.org). Visit our Library: [www.campusfiresafety.org/library](http://www.campusfiresafety.org/library), and also review our entire resource center.
- **Virtual Forum:** We developed a Virtual Forum to provide and area to view post forum information and download valuable materials. Educational presentations are password-protected. Visit <http://www.campusfiresafety.org/campus-fire-forum>
- **Sponsor Pages:** One of our website goals was to create a Sponsor area to give our sponsors more recognition. In addition to creating sponsor awareness with a logo on the CCFS home page, we created an individual web page for each of our sponsors to include a brief outline of each company and Campus Fire Safety appropriate materials. This is a great place for sponsors to add their White Papers, Press Releases, Product/Service Data Sheets ... or any other type of campus related materials that will be helpful to the tens of thousands of our web visitors. To take advantage of this sponsors simply send electronic files and contact info to: [SupportTeam@campusfiresafety.org](mailto:SupportTeam@campusfiresafety.org). To learn more about our sponsors, visit <http://www.campusfiresafety.org/Sponsors> and click on "More about this Sponsor".

**CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH:**

This is our second year of "Delivering Fire Safety on Campus" through our collaboration with Dominos Pizza and the National Fire Protection Association. Several universities throughout the country participated as we helped to teach students that fires do happen in campus-related settings and that they need to protect themselves. CCFS and NFPA both supplied printed materials with the university and sponsors logo on them, and Domino's delivered pizza and special fire safety messages. Universities included in 2010:

- Arizona State University - Tempe, Arizona
- Georgia State University - Atlanta, Georgia
- Texas A&M – College Station, Texas
- University at Albany, S.U.N.Y. - Albany, New York
- University of Southern California - Los Angeles, California
- University of Alabama -- Tuscaloosa, Alabama

#### CCFS PARTNERSHIP WITH FIRE ENGINEERING MAGAZINE:

In 2010 we announced our new partnership with PennWell Publishing and Fire Engineering Magazine. This alliance integrates CCFS into multiple levels of Penwell's fire safety stable: the FireEngineering.com website; pod casts of various campus related issues; Fire Engineering Magazine and the unparalleled FDIC Conference. Fire Engineering and CCFS are designing a dedicated landing page on both websites, designed to complement the new partnership.

Visit The Center for Campus Fire Safety on Fire Engineering's web site: <http://www.fireengineering.com/index/fire-prevention-protection/campusfiresafety.html>.

#### WEBINARS:

2010 brought the realization of a goal set by CCFS President Paul D. Martin to have the organization began offering easily accessible webinars as a means to share information with campus fire safety professionals. While our advancement into this area is yet evolving, we are happy to report that 2010 brought the following webinar partnership opportunities:

- Midwest Employers Casualty Company – we provided an overview of CCFS and our programs, resources and capabilities.
- SimplexGrinnell - as part of SimplexGrinnell's "Learn from the Leader" series, CCFS had the opportunity to present yet again on the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) –thanks to Simplex, the message reached 1,000 registered participants.
- The Door Security & Safety Foundation - a webinar addressing the inspection requirements associated with NFPA 80.

#### INDUSTRY EVENTS WHERE CCFS ATTENDED/EXHIBITED IN 2010:

- NFPA Annual Exhibition, Las Vegas, Nevada
- AFAA Annual Breakfast, Las Vegas, Nevada
- ICC Final Action Hearing in Dallas, Texas
- International Residential Code Fire Sprinkler Coalition, national strategy planning session, Baltimore, Maryland
- CFSI, 22nd Annual National Fire and Emergency Services Dinner and Seminars in Washington, DC
- CFSI National Advisory Committee (NAC), semi-annual meetings, Washington, DC
- UL Annual Meeting and Fire Council Meeting, Wheeling, Illinois
- NEMA Spring Meeting in Savannah, Georgia
- National Association of State Fire Marshal's annual conference in Chicago, Illinois
- Presented educational programs on the Campus Fire Safety Reporting components of the HEOA Act in partnership with Security on Campus. Locations included: Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Chicago, San Diego and Fairfield Connecticut.

#### ADVISORY COUNCIL:

Independent of the Center's sponsors, the [Advisory Council](#) provides valuable strategic vision and wisdom to the Board of Directors and CCFS. The council's members are experts and leaders in corporations, industry, and public service. They have encompassed CCFS's core values and through their business knowledge, professional careers, contacts, and personal beliefs, work hard to champion the mission of CCFS and fire safety. Visit our web site to learn about our Advisory Council. New appointments were made to the CCFS Advisory Council in 2010, which now includes:

- Bruce Fraser, President of Fraser Fire Protection Services, and former Director of Industry Relations at SimplexGrinnell

- John McSheffrey Jr., President of en-Gauge Inc.
- Chris Rovenstine, Vice President of Marketing for Kidde Residential and Commercial.
- August W. Schaefer, Senior Vice President and Public Safety Officer for Underwriters Laboratories Inc.
- Jim Tidwell, Code Consultant, Tidwell Code Consulting.
- Tam Tran-Viet, Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), a Washington, DC based law enforcement policy organization.
- Wayne Curtis "Curt" Weldon, served as a member of the United States House of Representatives from 1987 to 2007, representing the 7th district of Pennsylvania. Mr. Weldon was vice-chair of the Armed Services Committee and the House Homeland Security Committee.

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*Welcome our new sponsors in 2010:*

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**NON PROFIT PARTNER RELATIONSHIPS:** Several new relationships were formed in 2010 with non-profit partners, all dedicated to the universal cause of fire safety.

- The University Risk Management and Insurance Association (URMIA)
- Live-Safe Foundation
- Automatic Fire Alarm Association (AFAA)
- Common Voices
- Security on Campus
- Door and Security Foundation
- For information concerning all non-profit relationships with CCFS visit: <http://www.campusfiresafety.org/nonprofitpartners>

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*Each organization has demonstrated a commitment to supporting the cause of campus fire safety and the free exchange of information to support the many professionals dedicated to protecting our nation's colleges and universities.*

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