

DATE: Wednesday, October 9th, 2013 TIME: 1:40 pm

LOCATION: Chedoke C

GUEST SPEAKERS: Mr. Mike Speziale - IPEX

DESCRIPTION: Mike Speziale, IPEX Inc. - Building Code requirements for firestopping piping penetrations through a "required fire separations", Listing requirements for piping systems, "what to look for in a firestop Listing" and how to identify a proper Listing!

BIOGRAPHY: Mr. Mike Speziale

-Entered the plumbing industry in 1976 as a Sales Representative with National Sewer Pipe and began working closely Contractors and Plumbing Inspectors throughout Ontario in an effort to better understand their needs and rules.

-In 1983 began work with IPEX as a Sales Representative and again calling on Contractors, Plumbing and Building Inspectors and Engineers.

-By 1985, I was given the task of introducing our PVC - Drain, Waste and Vent piping system, which was the first "combustible" piping system capable of meeting the "flame-spread rating" required for "noncombustible" construction applications.

-Over the years, I have published numerous articles in Trade magazines and performed hundreds of "Education Seminars" for Contractors, Inspectors and Engineers in an effort to provide better product and Building Code knowledge.

-I was very proud but humbled to receive a "Special Recognition Award" at the 2010 OBOA AMTS, for contributions to education. This is an award I will always treasure. -Now in my 5th decade, I consider myself the richest and most fortunate individual in the industry. With having established the most wonderful friendships anyone can ever imagine or ask for, I am nearing the end of my career and will soon go out with pride, knowing that I did my very best to help.

-When I leave, I will take a part of this association with me and will remember my days with a smile.