Chapter Leadership News Updates
July 2015

**Leadership Lexicon**

**Networking** [net-work-ing], noun, the exchange of information or services among individuals, groups, or institutions; specifically: the cultivation of productive relationships for employment or business

**DHI NEWS:**

**CoNEXTions**
As you know, CoNEXTions 2015 was the show that “didn’t happen.” Like many of you, DHI was disappointed that we could not come together as an industry for this once-a-year event. A CoNEXTions 2015 wrap-up is included in the July issue of *Doors & Hardware*. Please take a moment to read this important article and learn about this year’s award recipients.

DHI has now turned its attention to CoNEXTions 2016 to be held in Orlando, Fla., May 2-6, 2016. We are excited to build on the momentum from a stellar 2015 program that was planned and we hope to see everyone there!

**DOOR SECURITY & SAFETY FOUNDATION:**

**Scholarships**
The Door Security & Safety Foundation Scholarship Program provides funds for individuals to attend courses offered by the *Door and Hardware Institute*. Since 1997, the Foundation has granted more than 180 scholarships. This scholarship program is intended for those seeking technical education from the Door and Hardware Institute or who plan to achieve a DHI certification. The Foundation is grateful to the many companies that sponsor the scholarship program.

The 2015 application process is now closed, and we are proud to announce that we received more than 144 applicants—a record number! We look forward to sharing the results with you this summer.

**EDUCATION:**

**Congratulations New Fire Door Assembly Inspectors!**
The *Fire and Egress Door Assembly Inspection class* (DAI600) was held at both the U.S. and Canada Spring Technical Schools. We are proud to announce the following new Fire Door Assembly Inspectors (FDAIs):
John Allard, FDAI, DHI Lone Star South Chapter
Sandro Abballe, FDAI, DHI Quebec Chapter
Kerry A. Barnett, FDAI, DHI Sunshine State Chapter
Alan D. Jacob, FDAI, DHI New York Chapter
John M. Kane Jr., FDAI, DHI Tri-State Chapter
Guy Lussier, AHC, FDAI, DHI Quebec Chapter
Pierre Morin, AHC, FDAI, DHI Quebec Chapter
Leonard J. Sanneman, FDAI, DHI St. Louis Chapter
Paul Stirling, FDAI, DHI Ontario Chapter
Mark Waller, FDAI, DHI Old Dominion Chapter

*Please note that the above individuals may not be individual members of DHI.

Technical Schools
Mark your calendars and help spread the word—DHI has scheduled its Fall Technical Schools.

October 5-10, 2015 – Scottsdale, Ariz.
October 26-30, 2015 – Calgary, AB, Canada

Many DHI Chapters provide scholarships to attend national schools. These dates will be of interest to your scholarship winners. If your chapter has awarded a scholarship for use during the 2015-16 membership year, we’d love to know who holds the scholarship. This will help us promote educational opportunities directly to those who have scholarships and who are interested in face-to-face education. Please forward your chapter’s recipients to Hanna Sevachko.

Visit DHI’s website for a complete 2015 Education Calendar.

Monthly Webinars
DHI produces two webinars a month and is building a robust library of relevant industry education. These archived webinars can be viewed by a chapter as an education component for a chapter meeting. BONUS! These webinars carry CEP points for your certified members looking to maintain their CEP.

For example, our June webinar topics—hurricane codes and tornado shelters standards—might be of interest to DHI chapters located in parts of the country that experience hurricanes or tornadoes. So, heads up Sunshine State, First Coast, Gulf Coast, Lone Star South, Lone Star North and other chapters in storm regions of the country—you’ve got some great programming to consider!

**DHI MEMBERSHIP:**

It’s July, and at DHI, that means a new start to the membership year!

DHI’s membership year runs from July 1 – June 30 each year. This is a great time to review your membership rosters, and if you haven’t already, consider budgeting for the 2015-16 membership year.

Below are a few things to keep in mind:
• **Not all members are dues paying members.** DHI has multiple membership categories and not all members pay annual dues to DHI and the chapter. If you have members in your roster who are life members or complimentary members, you will not receive an annual renewal for these members, as their memberships are complimentary.

• **DHI activity collects membership renewals throughout the year.** However, as of Sept. 30, all membership benefits are suspended for those members who don’t renew prior to this date.

• **Corporate membership provides chapter membership for the member key contact only.** Corporate membership includes one individual membership. This member is considered the member key contact. Unless the corporate member provides individual membership for the employees, this is the only person from which your chapter will receive dues.

• **Membership rosters are available 24/7.** You can pull a membership roster at any time or contact DHI for a roster in an Excel format. We welcome any updates on our members being sent to us as well! Keeping our members’ information up-to-date is a benefit to all of us.

Please feel free to contact DHI at 703/222-2010 if you have any questions about membership renewal.

In addition to your annual planning, the chapter insurance coverage year is also the same time as the DHI membership year. Information regarding the policies available was sent to all chapter leaders previously and DHI has processed the annual enrollments. If your chapter has not yet participated, you can always still enroll. However, the annual premium for policies is not prorated and therefore, the full premium must be submitted regardless of when your chapter enrolls.

We encourage all chapters to consider protecting the chapter and the leaders with appropriate insurance coverage. If you have any questions about chapter insurance, please contact Paige Horton.

**CHAPTER NEWS:**

Protecting your local member’s information.
DHI has strict guidelines on what member information we share. Our membership must be able to trust us with their business and personal contact information.

When your chapter communicates electronically via email with its membership, please be aware that you should always use the “blind copy” field to insert your member’s emails. This protects your members from unsolicited email and continues a relationship of trust with the leadership of the chapter and DHI.

Chapter rosters are for chapter business and should only be used for chapter business and not for any other purpose. Please make sure that your chapter leaders are aware of the proper handling of members’ information.
If you need assistance in promoting a chapter event, please contact Paige Horton or Jackie Bessette.

**New Chapter Logos!**
Does your chapter use a chapter logo to market programs or on a chapter newsletter? If you answered yes, you most likely need a new logo. DHI has updated all chapter logos and they are now available. Please email Tony Shivers for your updated logo.

Example of a DHI Chapter Logo:

![DHI Chapter Logo](image)

**Send Us Your Chapter Calendars**
DHI would love to help promote your chapter events. Chapter activity can be posted on our website and we can help you market your meetings by sending your emailed notices to your membership and place notifications on social media. If you need assistance in promoting a chapter event, please contact Paige Horton or Jackie Bessette.

**CHAPTER ADMINISTRATIVE TOPICS:**

**Chapter Dues Checks**
All chapter dues checks for the 2014-15 membership year have been issued. Please do not delay in depositing dues checks. Checks will be void after 60 days and will not be reissued. If your chapter has a check that is void, please contact DHI immediately. If DHI collects dues on behalf of your chapter, please know that the checks are mailed to the chapter treasurer on file; if there is not a treasurer; the checks are mailed to the chapter president. If you have had a change in your Board, please make sure you forward updates to DHI.

**Need Assistance?**
Contact Paige Horton or Jackie Bessette at 703/222-2010. DHI can assist you in sending out meeting notices, surveying your local membership, and marketing to your members for an upcoming event. Just let us know what you need and we will be glad to help in any way we can.

If you have received this bulletin and are no longer a chapter leader, please call Member Services at 703/222-2010 to provide new leadership contacts or fax new information to 703/222-2410.