



# IICRC eNews

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## Standards Update

**Public Review Comments:** The following Standards Consensus Bodies are reviewing, addressing, and responding to public review comments, and making additional changes to the Standards and Reference Guides as needed:

- ANSI/IICRC S500 Standard and Reference Guide for Professional Water Damage Restoration
- BSR-IICRC S600 Standard and Reference Guide for Professional Carpet Installation
- BSR-IICRC S800 Standard and Reference Guide for Inspecting Textile Floor Coverings

**Call for Members:** For BSR-IICRC S210 Standard and Reference Guide on Dimension Stone Maintenance and Restoration. This standard will encompass the cleaning, maintenance, restoration, rehabilitation, preservation methodologies and repair for interior dimension stone. To join the S210 consensus body, please contact IICRC Standards Director, Mili Washington at [mili@iicrc.org](mailto:mili@iicrc.org)



Pictured from left to right: Tony Wheelwright, Pete Duncanson, Darrell Paulson, Lonnie McDonald and Kevin Pearson receiving an appreciation award at the Spring BOD meeting

## Chairman's Corner – Recap of Spring BOD Meeting

The IICRC Board of Directors met in mid-April before the start of the Restoration Industry Association (RIA) trade show in Las Vegas. With many anticipated improvements on the horizon, the Board had a full agenda during the two-day session. The Certification Council, a group of IICRC-approved schools, instructors and interested industry parties that works with and makes recommendations to the Board, met between the Board meetings.

Upcoming Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) were a focus for the session and the Board approved a new MOU with the National Floor Safety Institute (NFSI). During the two-day session, the Board also worked on updated mission and value statements that better reflect the focus of the Institute. Its strategic plan was approved in concept and will undergo refinement before final publication.

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## NFSI MOU

Did you know that the IICRC just signed a MoU with the National Floor Safety Institute? As part of the recently approved MoU, the partnership will allow both organizations to openly collaborate and raise awareness about the connection between floor care, cleanliness and safety.

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## IICRC Spotlight

**Mike West**  
Nationally Recognized Carpet Industry Expert with IICRC Registration #103

### **When did you get your start in the cleaning and restoration business?**

I am a third generation cleaner and restorer and got my start at the age of 7 while working at my father's plant in Whittier, Calif.

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## IICRC Reopens RFP for Technical Journal



The IICRC has reopened the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for a new peer-reviewed technical journal, scheduled to begin publication in January 2014. The new journal will provide IICRC Certified Firms, master cleaners and restorers and instructors and schools with an ongoing resource of in-depth, technical articles focusing on hard surface cleaning, soft surface cleaning, disaster restoration and inspection.

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## By the Numbers

The IICRC currently has more than 140 approved instructors and 70 schools globally.

The IICRC was founded by Ed York in 1972 and was originally called the International Institute of Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning – IICUC.

Bacteria can live for up to four weeks on carpet.

## International Updates

### IICRC Oceania

IICRC is very pleased to be attending CleanScene: The National Cleaning & Hygiene Expo in Brisbane from 18 to 20 of June 2013. This trade show has great exposure to the industry and suppliers, which will help the IICRC continue to spread the word. The Expo is also an opportunity for Oceania IICRC registrants to collect their CECs. IICRC will be located at Stand N20... We hope to see you there!

## News You Can Use

Craig Jasper, IICRC Chairman, talks to the Daily Herald about Chicago-area flood cleanup.

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To celebrate National Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month, the IICRC gave some cleaning tips to help reduce asthma triggers.

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## IICRC Website Update/Call for Suggestions

Below are a few developments we have been working on for the IICRC website. If you have any ideas for additional ways to improve the IICRC site, please email them to [avance@mulberryinc.com](mailto:avance@mulberryinc.com)

- Significant improvements have been made to the "locate a certified professional" page on the Oceania and European IICRC websites
- The development of a new

## Designing Spaces™ Clip Available

The Designing Spaces™ clip is now available for download in the Certified Firm login section of the site. If you need your log-in information, please contact IICRC Headquarters at (360) 693-5675 or [info@iicrc.org](mailto:info@iicrc.org)

## Availability of Brochures

The cleaning, restoration, certified firm, hard surface, inspection and cleantrust brochures are now available for download on the IICRC website [here](#).

- form for submitting applications & ethics appeals
- Mobile version development
- Website translation in multiple languages

## Decoding the Acronyms of the IICRC

**BMT Certification:** Building Moisture Thermography  
**DSMRC Certification:** Dimensional Stone Floor Maintenance Craftsman  
**SCI Certification:** Senior Practicing Inspector  
**IEP:** Indoor Environmental Professional

Stay tuned as we decode more IICRC acronyms in the next newsletter!

## Government Affairs

The Government Affairs Committee has been keeping track of legislative issues around the country and has prepared a report for registrants. The information is very important specifically for those working in Maryland. Full report [here](#).

## Newsletter Naming Contest Finalists

After launching the new newsletter naming contest in March, we have identified the top eight names and invite you to vote through an [online survey](#). The finalist with the most votes will win a gift card.

## Congratulations, Master Certifications

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The IICRC (Council of Associations) is pleased to announce that it has partnered with the industry leader of discounted business services, which will help save our members money on several services.

The IICRC's first trade show date and location will be announced soon! Those interested in attending will be able to sign-up online at [www.iicrc.org](http://www.iicrc.org)