

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

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A candlelit ballroom at the famed New York City Waldorf Astoria was the setting for the recent 2015 Floor Covering Industry Foundation gala. This beautiful evening brought together 270 people from around the country and raised funds for the Industry Foundation. FCIF is something our industry is very proud of. For 25 years FCIF has come to the aid of our own within the industry, facing serious hardship or challenges in their lives. Since its inception, over \$3 million in grants have been given out, all of this done with extreme confidentiality to respect each recipient's privacy. Scott Humphrey, FCIF President and CEO/President of the World Floor Covering Association said it so very well: *The FCIF Gala was an amazing evening, allowing the industry to come together around an organization whose sole purpose is to help others...*

But this night to remember had an equally important second purpose. Two highly respected icons of the floor covering industry were inducted into the WFCA Hall of Fame. This is an exceptional honor, given only to those who have dedicated their lives to leadership within the industry. Keith Campbell, Chairman of Mannington Mills, has guided his company through treacherous times, and the success of Mannington speaks for itself. Campbell paid tribute to all his employees for their contributions to Mannington's success. This is a family-owned company, celebrating its 100th year anniversary. How befitting that Keith now joins his father who was named a Hall of Fame member in 1997.

Also inducted into the Hall of Fame was the late D. Christopher Davis, former president and CEO of the WFCA. I knew Chris personally, and he was truly a man dedicated to the growth of WFCA and serving its membership. He was a true leader in the industry, and most deserving of this honor. His two daughters accepted the award on behalf of their father.

The evening was joyous and memorable in so many ways. Honoring those who deserve recognition, and raising funds to help those in need—it doesn't get better than that.

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