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2006 ANNUAL UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA STUDENT MEETING & GOLF OUTING

APRIL 7TH, 2006

Morning Meeting Session in Room 101 Bevill Building @ The University of Alabama:

9:00—10:00 AM: Registration & Student/Industry Mixer

9:45-10:45 AM: Departmental Tours & Demonstrations

11:00-12:00 PM: Lunch catered by Dreamland Barbeque

12:00-12:30 PM: Presentation & Door Prizes

Afternoon Golf Outing @ Hidden Meadows:

01:00-5:00 PM: Golfing

Meeting Notice

The Wynfrey Hotel Galleria Mall US-31 & I-459

Monday, March, 13th

Board Meeting 5:00 p.m. Social Time 6:00 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Leave your reservation request at

(205)661 - 0206 ext. 23 or via the internet at www.afsbirmingham.org

Make your reservations before 12:00 Noon on March 9th to be eligible for a <u>Special Drawing</u>.

Be sure to leave your name

Price of Meal-\$25.00

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March Meeting Speaker

Mr. Bob Schultz Casting Solutions Ashland Specialty Chemical Company

Mr. Schultz holds a B.S in Zoology from Ohio University and a M.S in Microbiology from Case Western Reserve University. Mr. Schultz started his career as a laboratory technician with Archer Daniels Midland's Cleveland foundry products facility in 1965. The ADM chemical group was acquired by Ashland Oil in 1967 to form Ashland Chemical.

Mr. Schultz has held various positions with Ashland Specialty Chemical Company including: Product Mgr. Coatings, Product Mgr. Hot-Box resins, Product Mgr. Inorganic resins, salesman, Technical Director-Ashland Brazil, Sales Mgr., Latin American Development manager, Marketing Mgr.-no-bake resins, and Mgr.—Distributor sales.

"An Analysis of Foundry Resin Cost Drivers"

This presentation will discuss such cost drivers as: Chemical building blocks, supply & demand drivers, and historical snapshots of raw materials.

THERE CAN BE NO DISCUSSION OF WHERE FUTURE RESIN PRICING IS PROJECTED TO GO. Chapter



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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

- We had a great February meeting with Dave Lazor from Ajax Tocco Magnethermic talking about the Coreless Induction Furnace.
- Total attendance was 83, with 67 people calling in with pre-registration. Thank you all for making Tommy's job easier and calling in early.
- Our Annual Student Day and Golf Outing at the University of Alabama will be in April this year. Mark your calendars for April 7th. Look for more details soon.
- The latest membership roster shows Wisconsin Chapter with 586 members, Birmingham with 536, and Detroit with 531 (only 5 members behind us). I would like to challenge all of us to a membership drive to meet our end-of-the-year goal of 550 members. Bring a friend and co-worker to the next meeting and sign them up see Carol Brandon for membership application.
- A Nominating Committee has been formed to appoint and to present to the membership the names of candidates for the Officers and Directors of the Birmingham Chapter for the 2006/2007 year. The committee consists of Jeff Fowler, Todd Lyles, Jim Frost, Jerry Holcombe, and Peter Reich.
- I am looking forward to see everyone at our March 13th meeting at the Wynfrey.

Jarek Olszak Chapter Chairman



Now!!!

Mark Your Calendars



April Meeting - April 7, 2006

Annual University Of Alabama Student Meeting (We Encourage Members to Bring Students Wishing to Learn About the Department & Program)

Please Note The Changes To The Schedule For This Meeting On The First Page!!!

CMI Upcoming Course Schedule

Feb. 21-Vertical Gating Design: Cedar Falls, IA

Feb. 28-Analysis & Reduction of Casting Defects: Schaumburg, Illinois

March 7-Gating & Risering for Horizontally Parted Molds: Portland, OR

March 8-Inoculation Principles of Gray & Ductile Iron: State College, PA

For more information on CMI courses, contact any member of the CMI staff at 800/537-4237 or visit www.castmetals.com.

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2005-2006 Meeting Schedule

Monday, March 13, 2006 Friday, April 7, 2006 April 18-21, 2006 Monday, May 8, 2006 Regular Meeting Student Night & Golf AFS Congress Regular Meeting (Awards Night) Wynfrey (Tuscaloosa) (Columbus, OH) Wynfrey

<u>Regular Meeting Schedule</u>: Meeting Place: Wynfrey Hotel, Birmingham, AL 5:00pm Board Meeting 6:00pm Meeting Registration & Social Hour 6:30pm Dinner & Technical Presentation



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