



January 2007

Chapter News

Birmingham AFS Scholarships

On behalf of the chapter, the Education Committee is pleased to announce they have selected the two winners, from seven applications, for the two \$1,000 scholarships being given away. The announcement of the recipients of our annual scholarship program will be announced at the January meeting.

A Big Thank You to you All

The generosity of our members continues to be overwhelming and something to be very proud of... thanks to all that donated over 50 toys and \$100 for our Toys for Tots campaign... a lot of boys and girls will have a very happy holiday thanks to you!

As we continue our chapter quest of raising money to purchase a golf cart to serve the special needs of Camp Coleman we are happy to report we are now up to a grand total of \$3,200... thanks again for your generous support of this most worthy cause.

*Regular Meeting
Place & Time*

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

Monday, November 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**

**Be sure to leave your
name!**

***Make your reservations
before 12:00 Noon on
January 4th***

Price of Meal—\$25.00

**Please visit our chapter
website or the AFS Na-
tional website frequently
to get the latest chapter
and national info:
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January 8th Meeting Topic:

“China – The Good, The Bad
and The Ugly”

presented by...

Henry Lodge

Henry Lodge, President

LODGE Manufacturing Co.

Lodge Manufacturing Company, located in South Pittsburg, Tennessee is a world class manufacturer and supplier of the finest cast iron cookware in the world. Since the early 1800's when Joseph Lodge (the founder) began making cast iron he began a legacy that has carried forward for four generations of family management... all dedicated to the same commitment to quality, service and value.

Henry Lodge comes to us to share the rich heritage of the company, along with the trials they have endured and the successes they have achieved, with a little dose of China in the mix...

If you have ever heard Henry speak you know his talks are full of fun, facts, words of wisdom and common business sense... this is definitely a presentation you don't want to miss!

From the CHAPTER CHAIRMAN...

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Thank you to everyone who attended our December Christmas Party. The amount of collected toys and donations was incredible and very appreciated.

A special thank you to everyone involved with organizing the meeting. The entertainment and meal were excellent and the visit by Santa was "entertaining".

Be sure not to miss our next meeting on January 8. Our guest speaker will be Henry Lodge of Lodge Manufacturing. The board meeting starts at 5:00, registration and social time at 6:00 and dinner and technical presentation at 6:30.

Mike Petrus
Chapter Chairman



Check out more pictures on our AFS website!!

A Wonderful Holiday Time By All

Our holiday extravaganza was held December 11th at the Wynfrey Hotel...with 140 members, guests and significant others in attendance... Along with a special visit by Santa, we were entertained by comedian Al Ernst and Feel the Beat disc jockey. Door prices were graciously donated by Hill & Griffith, BHMC, Porter Warner, ACIPCO, Southern Precision, Miller & Company, Ervin, United Refractories, Specialty Foundry Products, Pangborn, Metalcasting Environmental, EMSCO and Wheelabrator... Our thanks to all these great companies for their continued financial support of the chapter.

Report From the Audit Committee

We the undersigned acting as the audit committee for the year ending May 31, 2006, have examined the financial books and records of the Birmingham District Chapter on this day October 24, 2006. We find the records to be in proper order and accurately represent the financial condition of the chapter. We thank and commend treasurer Diane Kirkley for her diligence and competence in handling the chapter finances. Respectfully submitted, James M. Frost and J.P. Barnhart, Audit



AFS Birmingham Financial Contributors

As of Monday, December 18, 2006
(in order of receipt of funds)

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Hill & Griffith Co.
Cast Products
Laempe + Reich Corp.
Vulcan Engineering Co.
ABC Coke Division
Carbide Industries LLC
Citation – Columbiana, AL
EMSCO
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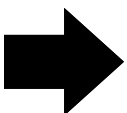
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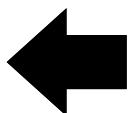
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Birmingham Chapter
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Your participation, *both financially & willingness to serve* is greatly appreciated.





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2006-2007 AFS Birmingham Meeting Schedule

Monday, January 8, 2007	Regular Meeting	Henry Lodge - Lodge Mfg.	Wynfrey
Monday, February 12, 2007	Regular Meeting	Diana Waterman - AFS DC	Wynfrey
February 28 - March 2, 2007	Southeast Regional	To be determined	Myrtle Beach, SC
Monday, March 12, 2007	Regular Meeting	Michael Swartzlander - Ashland Specialty	Wynfrey
Friday, April 13, 2007	Student Night & Golf	To be determined	Tuscaloosa, AL
Monday, May 7, 2007	Awards Night	Jerry Call - AFS EVP	Wynfrey
May 15 - 18, 2007	AFS Casting Congress	111th Paper Show	Houston, TX

Regular Meeting Schedule:

Meeting Place: Wynfrey Hotel, Birmingham, AL
5:00 pm - Board Meeting
6:00 pm - Meeting Registration & Social Hour
6:30 pm - Dinner & Technical Presentation



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