



May 2008

Chapter News

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2008 Chapter Officer & Director Nominations

As charged by, and in keeping with Article XV of the by-laws of the Birmingham District Chapter of the American Foundry Society, and its Chairman, Mike Petrus, we are pleased to confirm the slate of officers and directors for 2008-2009.

We are proud to offer these as our nominations for continuation of the finest AFS chapter in America.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mike Petrus
 Chairman 2008 Nominating Committee

Chairman – Brian Floyd
 First Vice Chairman – Cahalan Gibson
 Second Vice Chairman – John Kersh
 Secretary – Mark Cotton
 Treasurer – Diane Kirkley

Directors Ending in 2009

Bill Steadman
 Dave Hughes
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 Kevin Crawford – Past Chairman

Directors Ending in 2010

Ed Boyd, Sr.
 April Duncan
 David Jackson

Directors Ending in 2011

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

Monday, May 12th

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
 May 9th

Price of Meal—\$30.00

Golf Outing Winners

1st Place

Robert McCully, Charlie Hale,
 Mike Matthews, Randy Nelson

2nd Place

Ralph Lyles, Frank Stubbs, Glen Gardner, Jerry Heneger

3rd Place

Mark Weaver, Mike Bestor, Mark Calhoun, Patrick Henry

Closest to the Pin

Mike Bestor

Thanks to all who participated we hope you enjoyed the meeting in Tuscaloosa and the golf outing.

AFS Birmingham Past Chairmen

2006-2007	Mike Petrus	1983-1984	Al Moss	1960-1961	Ernest Finch
2005-2006	Jarek Olszak	1982-1983	Hugh Weeks	1959-1960	J.R. Cardwell
2004-2005	Jeff Fowler	1981-1982	Eugene Langner	1958-1959	Maurice D. Neptune
2003-2004	Todd Lyles	1980-1981	Buck Barnhart	1957-1958	Sam F. Carter, Jr.
2002-2003	Jim Frost	1979-1980	Don Hubbard	1956-1957	John Drenning
2001-2002	Joel Dew	1978-1979	Ben Dunning	1955-1956	A.J. Futchl
2000-2001	Jerry Holcombe	1977-1978	Jay Gurganus	1954-1955	E.E. Pollard
1999-2000	Peter Reich	1976-1977	Hugh Sims, Jr.	1953-1954	B. W. Worthington
1998-1999	Tom Surtees	1975-1976	John Fisher	1952-1953	
1997-1998	Tommy Horton	1974-1975	Dwight Evans	1951-1952	
1996-1997	John Clay	1973-1974	Al Turner	1950-1951	M.I. Hawkins
1995-1996	Tom Walton	1972-1973	William Huffaker	1949-1950	C.P. Caldwell
1994-1995	Ron Kern	1971-1972	Charles Eason	1948-1949	
1993-1994	Mike Capps	1970-1971	J. Vernon Waddy	1947-1948	W.E. Jones
1992-1993	Charlie Jones	1969-1970	Gerald Wilkes	1946-1947	T.H. Benners
1991-1992	Phil Duke	1968-1969	Albert Smith	1945-1946	
1990-1991	Larry Haisten	1967-1968	Lester Hogan	1944-1945	
1989-1990	Mike Sexton	1966-1967	Jack Marsh	1943-1944	
1988-1989	Arthur Edge	1965-1966	Ralph Peterson	1942-1943	E.A. Thomas
1987-1988	Ed Lambert	1964-1965	Lloyd McNeil	1941-1942	
1986-1987	Jim Strickland	1963-1964	George Hairston	1940-1941	
1985-1986	Glenn Gardner	1962-1963	Wesley Estes	1939-1940	R.C. Harrell
1984-1985	Ralph Lyles	1961-1962	Aubrey Garrison	1937-1938	R.R. Deas

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I would like to extend our special thanks on behalf of the chapter to Dr. Srinath Viswanathan, the entire engineering faculty and the student AFS Chapter of the University of Alabama Tuscaloosa for a very enlightening, entertaining and enjoyable student day held this past April 11th. As always, our April meeting is a salute to the young men and women preparing themselves to enter into the world of metalcasting – and with programs as strong as this one, I am certain our industry will continue to have the very best prepared engineers – as evidenced by the presentations given at this meeting.

We truly appreciate the University, the professors and the students for their dedication, presentations and for the opportunity for our chapter to come visit to see firsthand the work, the facilities and most importantly the people (future metal casting engineers and the faculty).

This meeting was a fitting close to our technical year – a year where the technical presentations offered us a variety of topics that were highly educational, extremely interesting and of value to us all. Our hats off to our Program Chairman Brian Floyd – Brian a fantastic job!

As we come to the close of the 2007-2008 chapter session I would like to take just a moment to thank all of you for allowing me the honor and privilege of being your chairman. This has been a fantastic year where I have had the opportunity of a lifetime to work with a great group of directors, officers, committees and a remarkable membership!

I now fully understand why the Birmingham Chapter is the *BEST* chapter – it is because of *ALL* the great folks that make up the chapter – *YOU!*

I am pleased to say that the health of the chapter is well – we stand firmly as the 2nd largest chapter with 538 members, three great student chapters, our financial shape is good (thanks to the wonderful support of our company members and suppliers) and we are poised for a fantastic upcoming year with a great slate of officers, BOD, strong committee direction and participation; along with the continued support of the best membership anywhere... Please join us at our May meeting as we take time to salute our past chairmen, as well as the *ALL* the great folks that have contributed so much of their time, talents, finances, this year in making the Birmingham Chapter the envy of the entire AFS Society.

Again, I thank you for the great honor of serving as the 2007-2008 Chapter Chairman – I hope that I have served the society and chapter well... attempting to follow in the huge footsteps of the elite roster of former chairmen... I hope that I have honored them and you. Thank you so much for the allowing me this great opportunity and privilege.

I look forward to seeing and visiting with you all at our last meeting May 12th and, for many more chapter gatherings to come after. Come help us celebrate the close of a great year... don't forget Kersh will be giving away *ALL* the money!

Thank you and Best Wishes,
Kevin Crawford

PS: I wish everyone a great and safe summer... and I look forward to a fantastic 2008-2009 chapter session, along with our hosting of the 2009 Southeast Regional here in Birmingham... Take care!



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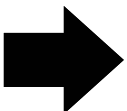
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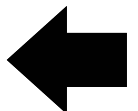
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2007-2008 AFS Birmingham Meeting Schedule

Monday, May 12, 2008

Past Chairmen's Night

Awards Night

Wynfrey

Regular Meeting Schedule:

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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