

Notice

Notice that this month's meeting is the first Monday of the Month,

November 01,

not the usual meeting night. Please mark your calendar

News & Notes

Student Scholarship Applications are due October 31.

This year the Birmingham Chapter is once again offering two \$1000.00 scholarships to students taking course work related to the foundry industry. For more details and to get a copy of the application see the Education page on the Birmingham AFS website www.afsbirmingham.org

December Meeting

The December meeting will be the Christmas Party. This year we will be joined by the Birmingham Section of AIST. Reserve December 06 to join the party.

Meeting Reservations

Dinner is \$30.00 Make your meeting reservations online at www.AFSBirmingham. org or call 205-661-0206 ext 23 November 2010

3D Printing and Scanning

Monday November 01

Wynfrey Hotel

Registration and Social Hour starts at 6:00 pm

Gary Fudge has a 15 year background and education in both engineering and business. Since 1995, he has provided product development and manufacturing solutions through services and equipment for a variety of industries including automotive, aerospace, defense, consumer products/



electronics, medical, education, plastics and foundry. Gary is currently located in Atlanta as a Regional Manager for ZCorporation, providing 3D printing and scanning equipment solutions to a wide range of customers throughout the Southeastern US, Central America and South America.

Gary will be giving an overview of 3D Printing and 3D scanning technologies and how that can be applied to the foundry industry. He will first discuss how these technologies work. He will then be showing real world examples of how these technologies help save significant time and money in product development, initial production, and inspection.



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Chapter News

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From the CHAPTER CHAIRMAN...

THANK YOU members for attending the October meeting. Doug Grimm, the Chairman President and CEO of Grede Holdings LLC was our speaker. Doug was instrumental in bringing together two established foundry groups: Citation Corporation and Grede Corporation. Since the merger was completed in February 2010, Doug has been focused on implementing the best from both organizations and capitalizing on its innovative, value-added capabilities. We appreciate Doug for providing our members insight into the positive outlook for Grede.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 1st at our regular meeting place at The Wynfrey Hotel in Hoover at the Galleria. Our speaker will be Gary Fudge with ZCorp. Gary will be speaking on the benefits of rapid prototyping to help achieve the best quality part with the lowest overall cost to the foundry.

We certainly want to thank all of the companies that sponsor our chapter, without your generous donations we wouldn't be able to provide the chapter with the best resources we currently offer. We can't say enough to show our appreciation for sponsor companies, but we do try to acknowledge the appreciation by displaying the sponsor logos during the meetings and giving mention to those companies. We encourage anyone to give whatever they can to make this chapter the best it can be.

Please keep in mind that Just Friends will entertain us at the Christmas Party on December 6th. Just Friends is an 8-piece Jazz/Big Band group composed of 1 vocalist and 7 instrumentalists. They play a nice variety of Jazz, Big Band and some hits from the 50's, 60's and 70's. Please plan to bring your spouse or significant other to enjoy some well known blues music.

So please make your reservations now (www.afsbirmingham.org) and plan to be at the next meeting on November 1st!!!!!!

Mark Cotton Chairman



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AFS Birmingham Financial Contributors

Listed below as of 10/12/2010 are those who have contributed to the Birmingham Chapter of AFS for the 2010—2011 year. If you are interested in making a contribution please contact Diane Kirkley, Vulcan Engineering, Tel. (205) 663-0732, kirkleyd@vulcangroup.com

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www.afsbirmingham.org

News and Notes

The Education Committee needs your help

The Education Committee is busy scheduling the "Foundry-in-a-Box" demonstrations. If you know of a school that would like to participate or would like to volunteer to help with the demonstrations please contact Molly Cameron at mcameron@acipco.com. Or 205-281-1997.

Coreless Melting Workshop and Seminar

The Tennessee Chapter and the AFS Division 8C Coreless Melting Committee are cosponsoring a Coreless Melting Workshop and Seminar on November 12, 2010 in Chattanooga, TN. For more information and a registration form please see the notice on the website or contact Jerry Holcombe, Reno Refractories 205-647-0240.

Analysis and Reduction of Casting Defects

The Piedmont Chapter and CMI are presenting the Analysis and Reduction of Casting Defects course on October 26, 27, and 28, 2010 in Myrtle Beach, SC. For more information please see the notice on the website, the notice on the AFS website (www.afsinc.org) or contact James Sturgeon, Conbraco Industries, Inc. at james.sturgeon@conbraco.com.

AFS Southeastern Regional Conference

The AFS Southeastern Regional Conference for 2011 will be held at Litchfield By The Sea on Pawley's Island, SC on March 3 & 4, 2011. Mark your calendars now.

2010/2011 AFS Birmingham Meeting Schedule

Saturday August 28, 2010

Monday September 13, 2010 Monday October 11, 2010

November 01, 2010*

December 06, 2010 January 10, 2011

February 17, 2011**
March, 14, 2011

April 11, 2011 May 09, 2011

*Note this is the first Monday of the Month

** Note this is a Thursday

Golf Outing / Picnic
Mountain View Golf Course
Quality Management for Safety

3D Scanning and 3D printing Christmas Party AFS in Washington

The New Grede

Ray Monroe

Dinner Meeting
Student Casting Competition
Past Chair / Awards

Anniston, AL Wynfrey Hotel

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Regular Meeting Schedule

Meeting Place: Wynfrey Hotel, Birmingham, AL

5:00pm - Board Meeting

6:00pm - Meeting Registration & Social Hour