



# AFS B'ham donates a Foundry In A Box kit to Calera High School Engineering Academy

On September 18, 2012, the AFS
Birmingham Chapter donated a complete
foundry kit to the Calera High School
Engineering Academy. These students
have already designed and produced
castings with the cooperation of local
foundries. This equipment will enable the
students to make prototype castings in
their classroom. The kit contained safety
equipment, two melting units, crucibles,
flasks, patterns, molding tools, oil bonded
zircon flour, thirty pounds of pure tin,
containers and a number of hand tools.

2013 AFS Scholarship Application Now Available. Visit www.afsbirmingham.org and www.fefinc.org for more details.



A raffle drawing will held for two tickets to the Iron Bowl! Raffle tickets are \$10.00 each. All Environmental Panel attendees will receive one FREE raffle ticket!

Our next meeting will be at the Wynfrey on December 10, 2012.

# Monday, November 12, 2012 Wynfrey In Birmingham

Mr. Dick Pence, Industrial Ventilation, Inc.

### **Industrial Ventilation and PM 2.5**

We are Pleased to have Mr. Dick Pence of Industrial Ventilation, Inc. as our guest speaker Monday November 12, 2012. Dick will review conceptionally the PM 2.5 regulation framework.

Dick has a BSEE degree from the University of Wisconsin Platteville. He has been involved in technical industrial sales for 23 years. Dick has a broad range of experience in the foundry, steel, paper, tissue, plastics, wood, rubber industries. In the past 5 years with IVI he has held the position of Sales Engineer and currently holds the position of Director of Sales. Dick has been involved in large dust collection projects, providing technical input and industrial ventilation solutions to air quality issues based on sound industrial ventilation practices. He has give a number of presentations at local AFS chapters on subject matter ranging from industrial ventilation maintenance to cost saving through industrial ventilation improvements.

### **Meeting Reservations**

**Dinner is \$30.00** 

Please make reservations before Thursday,

November 8th, at:

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or

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# **Letter From The Chairman**

# **Greetings Birmingham Chapter!**

It's hard to believe we are already getting ready for our November meeting (especially with how long this football season is feeling as an Auburn fan). We had a great meeting in October with Dr. Red Clark giving a very informative presentation on energy policy as each administration would view it come this month's election. I know that by the time we meet, the die will have been cast and the result known (assuming no hanging chads gum up the works). But please remember to get out there and participate in this election. It could be a pivotal one for our industry.

What a great opportunity we have with a special event planned before this month's meeting. You have heard the announcements and seen it showcased in this Newsletter. I hope that you plan to participate in the **Environmental Panel Discussion. We will be showcasing issues that have** affected our own Birmingham Chapter foundries with problems and resolutions being discussed. Several suppliers will also be on board for the discussion. This will be a Cast Expo/Regional type opportunity at a fraction of the investment and you'll be home to sleep in your own bed that night!

Since this is a special event leading into a great dinner meeting, we thought it might be nice to couple it with the chance for a special reward. After the dinner meeting on Monday night, we'll be giving away our normal cash prizes for those who purchase raffle tickets. After that is through, there will be one more drawing to hold. In a special raffle, free to those who sign up and pay for the panel discussion (and stay for dinner) and for a nominal \$10 ticket fee for those who only pay for and attend dinner, we will be drawing for two tickets to the Alabama/Auburn game being held at Bryant-Denny Stadium on Saturday, November 24th. As always, you must be present to win!

Please join us for a great afternoon and evening of AFS programming on Monday, November 12th. Increasing attendance and therefore the reach of our chapter is the goal. If you haven't been in a while, please come back. If you attend regularly, then bring a friend! We hope to see you all there!

Ed



# **AFS Birmingham Financial Contributors**

Listed are those who have contributed to the Birmingham Chapter of AFS for the 2012 - 2013 year. We would like to thank all those who have donated time and/or resources.

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R. Conner Warren

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### **News & Notes**

### **Environmental Panel Discussion**

Join us prior to the dinner and the business meeting on November 12 and learn, discuss, and question how your peers are preparing for and addressing environmental issues. Registration is \$40.00 (which includes the dinner ticket). See the attached flyer, check it out on the web, or call Jack Shea 205-406-0024 or Dave Hughes 205-902-2947 for more information.

# 2012 - 2013 AFS Birmingham Meeting Schedule

Saturday, August 25, 2012	Golf Outing / Picnic	<b>Mountain View Golf Course</b>
Monday, September 10, 2012	Dinner Meeting	Anniston, Alabama*
Monday, October 8, 2012	Dinner Meeting	Wynfrey Hotel
Monday, November 12, 2012	Dinner Meeting	Wynfrey Hotel
Monday, December 10, 2012	Christmas Party	Wynfrey Hotel
Monday, January 14, 2013	Dinner Meeting	Wynfrey Hotel
Monday, February 11, 2013	Dinner Meeting	Meridian, MS *
Monday, March 11, 2013	Dinner Meeting	Wynfrey Hotel
Monday, April 15, 2013	Dinner Meeting	Wynfrey Hotel **
Monday, May 13, 2013	Past Chair / Awards	Wynfrey Hotel

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates Travel Meeting

Regular Meeting Schedule
Meeting Place: Wynfrey Hotel Birmingham, AL
5:00 PM - Board Meeting
6:00 PM - Meeting Registration & Social Time
6:30 PM - Dinner & Speaker Presentation

<sup>\*\*</sup> Indicates Third Monday Of The Month

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# **AFS Birmingham Making A Difference**

Please find the below salutations from Executive Vice President of the American Foundry Society, Jerry Call.

October 17, 2012

### Dear Peter:

I want to congratulate the great folks in the Birmingham Chapter for "Walking the Talk!" Our industry is desperately in need of a steady infusion of young people to ensure its future strength and prosperity. For the many years that I have been associated with AFS, the Birmingham Chapter has always been the cutting edge laboratory of how to attract, involve, and develop young people for the metalcasting industry. We have often cited the Birmingham Chapter's Student Nights, annual events at local universities, and sponsorships of various student activities in presentations as proven outreaches to engage the next generation. These efforts are all "seeds sown" that are producing a much-needed harvest for our industry. The Foundry in a Box donation to Calera High School, and the resulting inclusion in People Magazine's Teacher of the Year video, are the most recent testaments to the Birmingham Chapter's steady, consistent dedication to our youth – our hope of the future!

### Well Done!



Jerry Call Executive Vice President American Foundry Society