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During the Presidents Luncheon at CastExpo 13', Tommy Horton was awarded an AFS Service Citation in appreciation for his service and dedication to the AFS Birmingham Chapter. Congratulations Tommy!



Tommy Horton



May 1-3, Washington D.C.

This year, Congress and the President will focus on deficit reduction, a revised ozone rule, a crystalline silica regulation, combustible dust, an overhaul of the tax code and a wide variety of EPA and workplace rules. Do you know who is representing you and making your decision? The annual Government Affairs Conference will provide you with the best opportunity to learn about critical federal legislative and regulatory issues that stand to affect the metalcasting industry.

Monday, May 13, 2013 Wynfrey In Birmingham

Mr. Mike Selz - Charlotte Pipe & Foundry

AFS National President



Mike Selz is the Sales Manager for the Commercial Casting product line at Charlotte Pipe & Foundry and current President of the American Foundry Society. In 1974 Selz began his career in the foundry industry working for Wisconsin Centrifugal, a ferrous and nonferrous centrifugal foundry division of Metaltek International where he held positions in Quality Control, Process Engineering and Sales. While employed with Wisconsin Centrifugal, he was relocated to Charlotte, NC in 1986 to become the southeast regional sales manager. Remaining in Charlotte, Mike has been involved in sales and sales management in the cast metals and surface preparation industries for the last 26 years. During that period he has been an active member of the American Foundry Society in the Piedmont Chapter serving on the chapter board as director, serving as treasurer, secretary and eventually Chapter Chairman. Selz has spent the last 10 years with Charlotte Pipe assisting in the development of the incremental Commercial Casting business for the Cast Iron Division.

Meeting Reservations

Dinner is \$30.00

Please make reservations before <u>Thursday, May 9th, at:</u> (205) 661-0206 ext: 23 <u>or</u> www.afsbirmingham.org



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Letter From The Chairman

Greetings Birmingham Chapter!

The end of another AFS year has arrived! Our final meeting is May 13th at the Wynfrey and it is a special one. In addition to having our AFS National President, Mike Selz, coming to speak to us, we will be honoring all of those who have presided as Chairman of our Birmingham Chapter. This is always a great way to end our year with a little retrospective before the newly seated officers and directors turn their attention to the future in the summer planning meeting. I hope you will join us for the fellowship, to see some folks that might not have been around as much lately and to show your appreciation for our Board of Directors and Officers who have been serving so faithfully.

I want to express my thanks to all of those who have been supporting our chapter through their time, their attendance and their donations. I hope all of you will give some consideration over the summer to increasing your participation in AFS in some way. Whether it be coming to meetings, getting involved in a committee of some kind, increasing your donation amount; there are so many ways your gifts and talents can be used to reinvest in this industry that puts food on our tables. If any of you would like to receive information about ways you can participate. please let us know. We'd love to add a few seats around the table during our board meetings or set a few more plates for dinner at our regular meetings. Please do not assume that someone else will always be around to maintain this great chapter. It just doesn't work as well without your involvement.

Thank you to the many Directors and Officers that I've had the privilege of serving with these last three years. I can honestly say that everything is owed to this group for keeping the wheels of this chapter turning! We are lucky to have so many who are willing to volunteer!

Donnie, it's just about that time.

See you at the Winfrey,

Ed

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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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AFS: Debates Lowering Silica PEL

The American Foundry Society (AFS) recently met with officials from the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Office of Management and Budget to discuss updates to the silica rule.

AFS told officials current crystalline silica standards have improved occupational health and it is not necessary to work to reduce the permissible exposure limit (PEL). According to AFS, the expected PEL reduction would cost the metalcasting industry \$1.5 billion a year in engineering controls, a number 10 times higher than OSHA's estimate. The agency proposed lowering the current PEL of 100 migrograms per cubic meter to 50µg/m3.

AFS proposed maintaining the current PEL level, allowing the use of respirators to stay in compliance, and removing other housekeeping requirements due to a lack of dermal or ingestion exposure risk.

OSHA originally proposed the silica rule in February 2011. Typically, a review performed by the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs is no longer than 90 days.

2012 - 2013 AFS Birmingham Meeting Schedule

Saturday, August 25, 2012 Monday, September 10, 2012 Monday, October 8, 2012 Monday, November 12, 2012 Monday, December 10, 2012 Monday, January 14, 2013 Monday, February 11, 2013 Monday, March 11, 2013 Monday, April 15, 2013 Monday, May 13, 2013

Golf Outing / Picnic Dinner Meeting Dinner Meeting Dinner Meeting Christmas Party Dinner Meeting Dinner Meeting Dinner Meeting Dinner Meeting Past Chair / Awards Mountain View Golf Course Anniston, Alabama* Wynfrey Hotel Wynfrey Hotel Wynfrey Hotel Meridian, MS * Wynfrey Hotel Wynfrey Hotel ** Wynfrey Hotel

* Indicates Travel Meeting ** Indicates Third Monday Of The Month

> 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