



**News &  
Notes**

**2015-2016 Lineup**

Don't miss the great programs and speakers we have in store for this AFS year! See more on the back page!

**CAST EXPO**

April 16-19, 2016  
Minneapolis, MN

**ALUMINUM 101**

May 3, 2016  
Kalamazoo, MI

**AFS GOVERNMENTAL  
AFFAIRS**

May 18-19, 2016  
Washington DC

**FOUNDRY IN A BOX**

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# Chapter News

## APRIL 2016

**April Meeting**

***Monday April 11th 2016***

***6:00 pm. At The Hyatt (Wynfrey)***

***Please join as students from UA and UAB compete in the annual casting competition. Let's support the future metal casters of our industry!***

If you are interested in being a judge, please contact Lindsay Hamner at [LHamner@american-usa.com](mailto:LHamner@american-usa.com)

***Register by Thursday  
April 7th  
(205) 661-0206 ext. 123  
or online at  
[www.afsbirmingham.com](http://www.afsbirmingham.com)***

## From the Desk of the Chapter Chairman...



Hello Birmingham Chapter!

The March meeting was another stellar meeting! Thank you to Peter Reich for sharing how Laempe Reich has re-addressed market needs and how their individual team members fulfill those needs. Peter and his team understand how everyone meets a specific need for a customer. Peter also showed how Laempe Reich used AFS data to really specify what customers desire from them. It definitely made me think about my company's structure and how we meet customer needs.

Thank you to American Cast Iron Pipe Company for sponsoring students at this meeting.

Our March meeting was preceded by the Furnace Maintenance mini-seminar. Bill Bush and Mike Murphy organized 5 speakers (a combined 160 years of experience!!) who spoke on coreless maintenance, channel maintenance, and maintenance planning. We had 56 in attendance! This was a great event with lots of useful information.

Our April 11th meeting will be at the Wynfrey and will feature the annual student casting competition. Lindsay Hamner has planned a fantastic competition, and I am excited to hear from the students. Be sure to check out the student castings on display before the meeting.

On the national level, CastExpo will be April 16-19 in Minneapolis. There will be over 300 exhibitors this year! See the AFS website for more information ([www.afsinc.org](http://www.afsinc.org)). While you are on the website, be sure to read about OSHA's finalized crystalline silica rule.

*Jeremy Mowry*  
2015—2016  
Chapter Chairman

# 2015-16 Officers and Directors



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## Directors (Expiring 2016)

John Boyd Goldens' Foundry	Russ Bradley American Cast Iron Pipe
Sandy Pierce EMSCO	Molly Cameron American Cast Iron Pipe

## Directors (Expiring 2017)

Mike Murphy American Cast Iron Pipe	Perry Smith Ervin Industries	Andy Sparks Metals in Motion
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## Directors (Expiring 2018)

Lindsay Hamner American Cast Iron Pipe	Jon Montgomery Rex Heat Treat	Brandon Partain Hubbell Power Systems
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# Opportunities



## Monthly Meeting

This month's meeting will be at the Hyatt (Wynfrey). This meeting is our annual student casting competition between UA and UAB. First place is \$500.00 and second place is \$250.00. WE NEED 3 JUDGES. Please contact Lindsay Hamner at [LHamner@american-usa.com](mailto:LHamner@american-usa.com)

## Foundry in a Box

Ken Murphy will once again be looking for volunteers to introduce our industry to young people through the Foundry in a Box. If you would be interested in helping him out, please contact Ken at [kmurphy@american-usa.com](mailto:kmurphy@american-usa.com) or 205-617-1515. Please see last page for opportunities to help.

## AFS Events and News

### CAST EXPO

April 16th-19th  
Minneapolis, MN

### ALUMUNUM 101

May 3rd  
Kalamazoo, MI

### AFS GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

May 18th-19th  
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# AFS Birmingham Financial Contributors

Listed are those who have contributed to the Birmingham Chapter of AFS for the 2015-2016 year, in the order received.  
We would like to thank all of those who have donated their time and/or resources !

## Platinum Level

\$500 or more

Henschel Andromat Inc.,  
Laempe + Reich Corporation  
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## Gold Level

\$350 to \$499

EC&S, Inc.  
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Wheelabrator  
The Hill and Griffith Company  
Metals in Motion  
Hickman Williams Co.  
Foseco  
Fire Brick Engineers Company  
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## Silver Level

\$275 to \$349

Turner Supply Company  
Talladega Foundry & Machine  
CL Dews & Sons  
Adams Brothers

Any and All contributions are greatly appreciated, as is your volunteer support of the Birmingham Chapter!!!

**PLEASE! Send your contribution to:  
American Foundry Society  
Birmingham Chapter  
c/o Vulcan Engineering Co.  
Attn: Ms. Diane Kirkley  
Post Office Box 307  
Helena, AL 35080**

AFS Birmingham is a non-profit organization and is solely operated by volunteer support & company donations. Your participation, both financial & willingness to serve, **is greatly** appreciated!



## Foundry in a Box Update

Please contact Ken Murphy if you are willing to help :

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**UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP**

**March 21 - CJ McDonald Elementary 9:00-12:00**

**April 20 – AIDT Skills USA, BJCC 9:00-3:00**

**April 30—Birmingham Zoo (Family Day) 11:00– 2:00**

## 2015-2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>
Mon, April 11, 2016	Regular Meeting	Hyatt Hotel
		Student Casting Competition
Mon, May 9, 2016	Regular Meeting	Hyatt Hotel
		Past Chairman & Award

### REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

Meeting Place: Hyatt (Wynfrey) Hotel-Birmingham, AL

5:00pm      Board Meeting

6:00pm      Meeting Registration & Social Hour

6:30pm      Dinner & Technical Presentation