



Chapter News



Your AFS Birmingham District Chapter would like to thank everyone that participated in the annual "Toys For Tots" drive. Through your efforts, the chapter was able to raise \$151 and 34 presents. Your donations assisted the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program in collecting new toys and distributing them as Christmas gifts to needy children in the community.

Meeting Notice

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

Monday, January, 9th

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

*Make your reservations
before 12:00 Noon on
January 5th
to be eligible for a
Special Drawing.*

Be sure to leave your
name

Price of Meal—\$25.00

Please visit our chapter
website or the AFS Na-
tional website frequently
to get the latest chapter
and national info:
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January Meeting Speaker

Mr. Terry Estes

Estes, Pegram, Hollifield & Associates, Inc.

Mr. Estes is a graduate of Memphis University, and in 1970, started his career as group representative for Equitable Life in Memphis, Tn. Mr. Estes was appointed Group and Pension manager for Equitable's Birmingham, Al office in 1973. In 1977, he started Estes, Pegram, Hollifield & Associates, Inc. Estes, Pegram, Hollifield & Associates is an employee benefit and pension consulting firm, located in Birmingham, Al. Estes, Pegram, Hollifield, & Associates has assisted over 300 mid size and large corporations with plan design, product and vendor analysis, administration, and communication of their group and pension Benefits.

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

- The Christmas Party was a great fun with excellent live Christmas music, good clean entertainment (some discovered new singing talents, and some of us confirmed the need to stay in the foundry business ...), and great food.
- We had 148 in attendance, with 66 guests and 5 students. There are 27 members with perfect attendance so far for the year.
- Thank you for bringing donations and toys for the Toys for Tots Campaign. There were 34 presents and \$151.00 in cash donations.
- There were many great door prizes handed out by the Santa Claus. Those were very much appreciated. Thanks to all companies that contributed those prizes – see the list of companies in this Newsletter.
- Wish you all a Happy and Blessed 2006 Year!

See you on January 9th. Please make your reservations early.

Jarek Olszak
Chapter Chairman



Mark Your Calendars Now!!!



February Meeting - February 6, 2005

Speaker — Mr. Dave Lazor of LECTROTHERM Topic — Coreless Furnace 101

CMI Upcoming Course Schedule

Jan. 10-Practical Metallurgy of Gray & Ductile Iron: Pittsburg, KS

Jan. 11-Basic Blueprint Interpretation for Metalcasters: Schaumburg, Ill

Jan. 17-Introduction to Metalcasting: Schaumburg, Ill

Jan. 24-Analysis & Reduction of Aluminum Permanent Mold Casting Defects: Schaumburg, Ill

Feb. 7-Gating and Riser Design-Nonferrous: Hamilton, ON

Feb. 14-Permanent Mold Coating Fundamentals—Aluminum: Schaumburg, Illinois

For more information on CMI courses, contact any member of the CMI staff at 800/537-4237 or visit www.castmetals.com.

**THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING COMPANIES
FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF DOOR
PRIZES AT THE DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY:**

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(in order of receipt of funds)

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For 2005 - 2006 Chapter Year Contributions and Support

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2005-2006 Meeting Schedule

Monday, January 9, 2006	Regular Meeting	Wynfrey
Monday, February 6, 2006	Regular Meeting	Wynfrey
February 15-17, 2006	Southeastern Regional	(Nashville, TN)
Monday, March 13, 2006	Regular Meeting	Wynfrey
Friday, April 7, 2006	Student Night & Golf	(Tuscaloosa)
April 18-21, 2006	AFS Congress	(Columbus, OH)
Monday, May 8, 2006	Regular Meeting (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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