



Chapter News

5TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONTEMPORARY CAST IRON ART

APRIL 5TH—9TH, 2006
COALBROOKDALE,
TELFORD, ENGLAND

The objective of this conference is to focus attention on the growing interest and use of cast iron in contemporary sculpture. The International Conference on Contemporary Cast Iron Art provides a platform for artists and industry to exchange ideas, debate aesthetics, share and experience new experimental processes and technical developments.

Founded in 1986, and held every four years in the USA, the 2006 conference theme of 'Iron Bridging Art + Technology: *past, present + future*' has been dictated by its new location. The 5th Conference will be held for the first time in the UK at the World Heritage Site of Ironbridge and Coalbrookdale, the birthplace of the industrial revolution and home of over ten museums dedicated to the history of iron.

For more info :
www.ironbridge06.org

Meeting Notice

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

Monday, February, 6th

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
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*Make your reservations
before 12:00 Noon on
February 3rd
to be eligible for a
Special Drawing.*

**Be sure to leave your
name**

Price of Meal—\$25.00

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February Meeting Speaker

**Mr. Dave Lazor
Technical Director
Ajax Tocco
Magnethermic Corp.
Warren, Ohio**

*“Coreless Furnace
101,
the Coreless Induction
Furnace”*

With Ajax Tocco Magnethermic's recent acquisition of Lectrotherm, Inc, Dave has been appointed to the position of Technical Director for Ajax Tocco Magnethermic.

Dave has 18 years of experience in the design of coreless induction furnaces and their systems. The past (7) years he has been the Technical Director for Lectrotherm. Prior to that he was employed at Ajax Magnethermic for (11) years, and held positions as manager of coreless furnace engineering, and manager of coreless furnace products.

Dave graduated from Youngstown State University with a Bachelor of Engineering Degree with a major in Electrical Engineering.

Dave served on the Coreless Induction Furnace Committee for AFS for 13 years and held positions as Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary.

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Chairman notes:

We had a great January meeting to start the New Year right:

- 88 was the total attendance.
- The Birmingham Chapter made a generous donation of \$ 6,000 to the VT Fire Program. It is great to see our money put to the good cause of educating new foundry industry members.
- We had a very interesting presentation about the rising costs of medical insurance and an explanation of a few ways to keep those costs down.

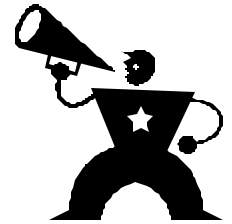
Southeastern Regional will be in Nashville, February 15-17th. Mark your calendar now to be there.

Our next meeting will be on February 6th. Please bring a friend and register early. See you all then.

Jarek Olszak
Chapter Chairman



**Mark Your Calendars
Now!!!**



March Meeting - March 13, 2005

**Speaker — Mr. Bob Schultz of
Ashland Specialty Chemical Company**

**Topic — The Effect Petroleum and Natural Gas
Costs have on Foundry Materials**

CMI Upcoming Course Schedule

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

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

Feb. 21-Vertical Gating Design: Cedar Falls, IA

Feb. 28-Analysis & Reduction of Casting Defects: Schaumburg, Illinois

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



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2005-2006 Meeting Schedule

Monday, February 6, 2006

[February 15-17, 2006](#)

Monday, March 13, 2006

Friday, April 7, 2006

[April 18-21, 2006](#)

Monday, May 8, 2006

Regular Meeting

[Southeastern Regional](#)

Regular Meeting

Student Night & Golf

[AFS Congress](#)

Regular Meeting

(Awards Night)

Wynfrey

(Nashville, TN)

Wynfrey

(Tuscaloosa)

(Columbus, OH)

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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