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Speakers List for AFS SE Regional, in Birmingham, AL March 28th, 29th, 30th, 2012

Van Richey, President and CEO of American Cast Iron Pipe Company, "Buy American", Mr. Eagan's belief in each person who has made ACIPCO what it is today

Michael Selz, Sales Manager / Commercial Castings, Charlotte Pipe and Foundry, AFS Board Vice President, **"AFS - A Vision for a Sustainable Future."**

Doug Grimm, Chairman President and Chief Executive Officer, Grede Holdings, major factors responsible for Grede's growth and financial success over the past 2 years, factors associated with the Human Side of creating this success

Dennis Dotson, Chairman, Dotson Iron Castings, Dotson is, Leadership in Product Innovation (Fab to Casting conversions, Utilization of ADI, etc., How do recruit, and develop your workforce? How are you managing your legacy planning?

Lance Brown, Executive Dir. PACE from Electric Power Industry, Strategic Direction for Future, cumulative effects of EPA regulations on the power market, and big picture energy philosophy

Stephanie Salmon, with Waterman and Associates, Washington Office of AFS, more on EPA, OSHA and other federal issues that we have been advocating on in Washington, DC on behalf of the metalcasting industry.

Bill Sorensen, FEF Director, Foundry Educational Foundation Update

Susan Alt, Vice President, Industry Relations and Public Affairs, Volvo Group North America

Jim Barlow, Caterpillar, Advanced Materials-Ferrous Castings, Foundry Benchmarking, Caterpillar Internal Technical Training

Panel Discussion with AFS Member Companies, Reich Co.'s, Lodge Mfg., American Cast Iron Pipe Co., Conbraco, active in Adult Education, both in their workplace and cooperative programs in the local community schools.

Peter Reich, & brother David, co-owners of the Reich Co.'s, will share their story of building for the future, through difficult economic challenges.

Charles Dickey, Technical Developments in Molding

Mini-Seminars in our Pre-Conference sessions on Wednesday morning, Induction Furnace Catastrophic event avoidance, Mark Kohler, Ajax-Tocco, Lectrotherm (Mark will also speak on Thursday)

Andy MacBride, Dir. Prod. Mrktg, EMSCO, Inc., Water cooling towers for induction melt systems, Approaches, Advantages, Disadvantages of one approach to another, also Hot Water Heat Recovery systems

Society of Manufacturing Engineers, Educational Foundation, Rodney Grover, will present SME work with Foundry customers, on Educational and Recruitment activities with Jr. and Sr. High schools.

Rich Wile, CMBA | Sr. Engr, Mueller Prost PC, Tax Consulting, Metallurgical Engineer, focused on Research & Experimentation Tax Credits available

Jennifer Head, Dir. of Ed., AFS/Cast Metals Institute, Employee Development. I'm going to highlight 1) the importance, 2) latest trends, 3) suggestions for how, 4) what CMI is doing to help companies create/strengthen in-house programs

Other involvement and activities being planned:

College Students from our FEF schools in our Region along with Affiliated Schools will be Showing and Selling their castings as they prepare for the upcoming castings competition in the spring. Current Status reports on Foundry Programs at each school. Phil Duke will report on University of Alabama Foundry plans.

Ladies Program: A tour of the American Village, eating lunch, and going to a wine tasting at Ozan Wineries is scheduled.

High School students involved with our chapter company members will be on-site to share their accomplishments.

Glidewell Specialty Foundry has agreed to host our foundry tour on Friday morning.