



May 2013 & Beyond



Our deepest sympathies and condolences go out to the victims and families of the Boston Marathon Massacre. This cowardly attack on innocent people engaging in or cheering on the participants of one of Boston's oldest and beloved sporting events shocked us all. We wish everyone affected by this brutal assault a speedy recovery and, for those who lost loved ones, we send our prayers and deepest sympathies. The fallen will live in our hearts always. If anyone has any ideas on how our chapter can be of service to the Boston community, please let me know so we can help. There is an online fund set up for those who would like to make individual contributions. The website is: onefundboston.org.

What an incredible event the AFS Cast Expo in St. Louis was! If you were lucky enough to attend, then you know what I'm talking about. To those who couldn't make it this year, please do mark it on your calendar for the future. There was a wealth of exhibitors, new technology, informative presentations and technical sessions that made the trip more than worthwhile. I enjoyed speaking to the many

and various exhibitors, and learning about some of the new techniques, methods and hardware. I also enjoyed running into some old friends and making new friends, it was a well done and informative event. Kudos to the AFS.



I am hopeful that the warm weather is here to stay; it has been a long, tough winter and a windy, frigid spring. We've had the kind of days that make you happy to be a furnace tender or metal pourer. Some days the heat and glow off that warm crucible were quite welcome. Now you can dust off your clubs and get ready to go out swinging because the annual New England Chapter Golf outing is coming up on June 7th and all the event details are enclosed in this flyer. Once again, Mark Johnson is the Chairman of the event and I expect it will be quite a success. For those who can't make it in the morning or who don't golf, sign up for the steak dinner and come enjoy the food and camaraderie of your fellow chapter members.

The chapter sponsored the CMI course "Analysis of Casting Defects" on April 25 and 26. It was well attended with foundrymen from various parts of the country. In addition, the chapter held its April meeting in Danbury, CT at the site of the CMI course and called on the presenter Kevin Fleischman to present an abbreviated version of the presentation to the members who couldn't attend the 2 day course. Kevin did an outstanding job and the presentation was well received. CT AFS members were well represented, but only Karl Nye from Marlborough, Massachusetts and Kevin Fleischman, the presenter, were out of staters. Remember it's called the New England Chapter and meetings are held throughout the New England region, let's make an effort to support our chapter.

We have also secured a speaker for a meeting on Monday, May 20th, to be held at the Publick House in Sturbridge, MA. Phil Roland of Aquest Corporation will speak on "Combustible Dust" which is an emphasis program for OSHA. The meeting will start at 5:00 P.M. and there will be a dinner, \$35.00 for members and \$40 for non-members. Please let us know if you plan on attending as we need an accurate head count for the restaurant.

Finally in September or October we will be returning to the Ocean State for a meeting in Providence at the Iron Guild. As we get closer to the date we will firm up the plans and generate a good turnout.

As always we encourage your suggestions for meeting topics. The chapter remains strong through the efforts of our members. Anyone interested in joining the board please e-mail me at emarczyszak@burndy.com. We welcome your interest and participation.

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Thanks for your continued support,
Ed Marczyszak
Chairman