



January 2012 & Beyond

Hopefully everyone has recovered from their New Year's celebrations, the New Year is upon us and by now half of us have already forgotten our resolutions. I'm sure most of you have resolved to come out to a meeting or volunteer for a committee, so here's your chance.

On Tuesday the 17th we will be having a webinar meeting on the topic of "OSHA's Standard on Machine Guarding". The presenter is Eric Brett of Brett Safety LLC and as we all know OSHA has done "emphasis" and/or "programmed" visits to the metal fabricating and casting facilities in the past, this is a valuable topic and it will be presented at noon so that the members can use it as a lunch and learn seminar for their sites. In order to participate you will need the dial in number and the link to the meeting site, if you haven't received an e-mail invitation please e-mail me emarczyszak@burndy.com and I will send you an invitation.

I'm also very happy to announce that our chapter is sponsoring a Cast Metals Institute course in March, the course is "Safety in the Foundry Seminar". It is a 2 day event being held in Providence RI and a good opportunity to get your personnel trained without having to travel too far and incur the expense of air travel. I urge everyone in our Chapter area to take advantage of this opportunity and get the training you need to keep your employees and business safe.

We are also working on firming up the schedule for the months of April and May, so if anyone has any suggestions or requests, please send me or any of the board members an e-mail and we will do our best to address it.

This is the first edition of our paperless newsletter. It is available on our website www.newenglandafs.com along with photos and newsletters of past meetings. We have entered the electronic age and can also be viewed on Facebook and LinkedIn so please find and friend us (New England Chapter AFS).

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.

Thanks for your continued support,
Ed Marczyszak
Chairman