



ATTENDEE INVITATION

On behalf of the Wisconsin, Stateline, and Northeastern Wisconsin AFS Chapters, we are pleased to present:

The 79th Annual Wisconsin Regional Foundry Conference & Exposition
“Make the Cut for Success”
February 8-10, 2017

We have again put together an **excellent program** and are returning to an **exciting venue** for this **79th annual gathering** of foundry professionals. ***We know your time is valuable.*** The Wisconsin Regional will provide you with an outstanding opportunity to **“Make the Cut for Success”** through **networking**, attending **technical sessions**, listening to **featured speakers**, **visiting with exhibitors**, **engaging with students** in the casting competition, and **enjoying fellowship with colleagues**.

The **Expo booths are sold out!** Our Kickoff and Keynote speakers are **Jeff Cook, AFS National President** and **Tom Riordan, President and CEO of Neenah Enterprises, Inc.** Our program includes **16 Technical Sessions** by excellent speakers covering a range of foundry topics.

In conjunction with the Regional, nine academic institutions will be competing in the **4th Annual Wisconsin Regional Invitational Casting Competition**. Entrants will have booths in the Expo hall where students will be displaying their castings and manufacturing processes. Please come and engage with students who are pursuing their educations and future careers in the foundry industry.

We have again partnered with **The AFS Institute** to run Wednesday (a.m. & p.m.) **half-day educational courses** on the following topics: **Virtual Casting Process, Casting Material Properties**, and **Identifying Correct Casting Defect**. Please inform those in your company who would benefit from these courses, and have them register with The AFS Institute. Institute registrants receive free Tech-Expo passes to the Wisconsin Regional and complimentary lunch vouchers.

With the outstanding feedback from last year’s Wisconsin Regional, we again return to the beautiful **Potawatomi Hotel & Casino venue for this annual event**. Near downtown Milwaukee, Potawatomi has a two-year-old 381-room hotel, spacious Expo hall, excellent banquet food service, seven restaurants, free covered parking, state-of-the-art technical session rooms, and casino with slots and table games.

As you can see there is much in store for all foundry people at the 79th Wisconsin Regional. **Please join us in Milwaukee and “Make the Cut for Success!”**

Rick Yrigoyen

Regional Sales Manager – Foundry Products, Inc.
AFS WI Chapter VP and Regional Conference Chair



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ADVANCE REGISTRATION PRICING

- **Online Advance Registration ends Thursday, February 2, 2017 ***
- Attendees who register in advance receive \$10 “Free Play” at Potawatomi
- Special “**Foundry 6-Pack**” is lot priced for **up to 6** foundry people from one foundry location.
- **Full Conference Badge** includes: Expo, Technical Sessions, Receptions & Meals
- **Tech-Expo Badge** includes: Expo, Technical Sessions & Receptions (no Thursday meals)
- Friday attendees receive free complimentary hot breakfast in the Harmony Room.

<u>Foundry Attendee</u>	<u>Full Conference Badge</u>	<u>Tech-Expo Badge</u>
Foundry person	\$100	\$30
Foundry Tech-Expo “6-Pack”	NA	\$90
<u>Non-Foundry Attendee</u>		
AFS Member	\$150	\$80
Non-member	\$175	\$105
Retiree, Student	\$70	Free

Meal Pricing (if purchased separately)

Thursday Lunch	\$20	
Thursday Dinner	\$50	(advance purchase strongly advise)

* **Pricing after February 2** is \$20 higher for each badge, \$60 higher for a Foundry Tech-Expo “6-Pack,” and \$5 higher for meals (late meal tickets sales subject to availability).

[to register online, please click here](#)

ABBREVIATED CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Wednesday – Feb 8, 2017

AFS INSTITUTE mini-courses – Morning and Afternoon Sessions (3 offerings)

Expo Open 1:30 – 6:00 (Expo Networking Reception begins at 3:00)

Thursday – Feb 9, 2017

Expo Open 8:00 – 5:00

Kickoff Presentation 8:30 **Jeff Cook, AFS National President**

Technical Sessions begin at 9:00

Lunch with Exhibitors in Expo Hall 11:45 – 1:15

6:00 Keynote / Awards Dinner Banquet – Tom Riordan, **President & CEO, Neenah Enterprises**

Friday – Feb 12, 2017

Complimentary Hot Breakfast 7:45 – 10:00

Technical Session 8:45 - 10:00

[for the most current and complete schedule, click here for the full conference program](#)



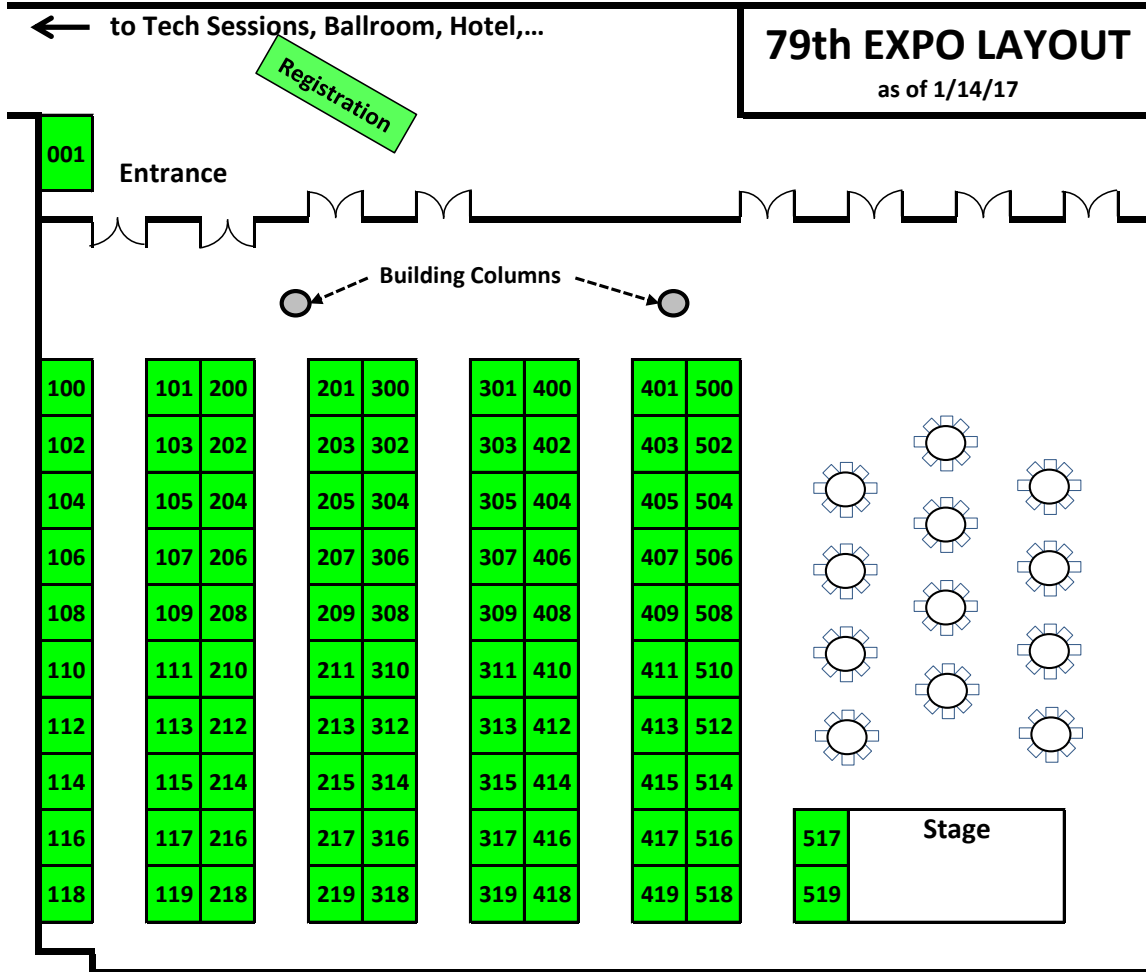
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79th EXPO LAYOUT

as of 1/14/17



Booth #	Organization	Booth #	Organization	Booth #	Organization
403	ABP Induction, LLC	519	Foundry-in-a-Box	219	Milwaukee Chaplet Inc.
308	Abrasives-MFG LLC	108	Free Flow Technologies, Ltd.	310	Modern Equipment
001	AFS Membership Committee	114	Great Lakes Power Vac	417	Non-Ferrous Founders' Society
411	AFS National	106	Green Packaging, Inc.	315	NorthStar Blast Solutions
319	Ajax-Tocco	405	HA International	112	Oxford Instruments
111	Alter Trading Corp	407	Heraeus Electro-Nite	105	Peerless Metal Powders and Abrasive
300	American Colloid Company	113	Hickman Williams & Company	303	Perfect Patterns, Inc.
117	Anderson Global	318	Hunttown Products	217	PGI Inc.
210	Anderson Laboratories, inc.	311	Hunter Foundry Machinery Corp.	317	Pillar Induction
302	B&L Information Systems	512	ICC - Michigan Technological University	216	ProFound Alloys
401	Badger Mining Corp	510	ICC - Missouri University of Science & Technology	306	Refractory & Insulation Supply, Inc.
203	Blast Cleaning Technologies	514	ICC - Mohawk College	402	Roberts Sinto Corporation
218	Bronco Blast	508	ICC - Muskegon Community College	312	Sadoff Iron & Metal Company
101	Carpenter Brothers	516	ICC - Pittsburg State University	107	Saveway USA
309	Carrier Vibrating Equipment, Inc.	506	ICC - University of Northern Iowa	202	Schust
416	CR Meyer	518	ICC - University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee	410	Scrap Metal Services
409	Daubert Cromwell	502	ICC - University of Wisconsin - Platteville	314	solidThinking
206	DIDION International, Inc.	504	ICC - Western Michigan University	208	SPECTRO Analytical Instruments
100	DISA Industries	109	Imerys	110	Summit Foundry Systems, Inc.
316	EMI	301	Inductotherm Corp.	212	Team Industrial Services, Inc.
104	EMSCO Inc	214	IRB INC	119	The Wasmer Company
404	Ervin Industries	412	J.B. DeVenne Inc	211	ThermTech
413	Exact Metrology	118	John Maye Associates of Wisconsin, Inc.	209	Thermtronix Corporation
418	ExOne	200	Joy-Mark, Inc.	116	Tinker Omega Mfg LLC
419	Finite Solutions Inc	215	Kloster Foundry Equipment	204	Unimin Corp
304	FLASH	400	Kuttner LLC	305	United Surface Preparation
414	Focus on Energy / WCMA	406	LaempeReich	207	Universal Welding
213	Foseco	103	LECO Corporation	205	Versevo Inc.
500	Foundry Educational Foundation	313	Marshall W. Nelson & Associates, Inc.	115	W Abrasives
201	Foundry Products, Inc. / Fairmount Santrol	307	Metals Engineering, Inc	102	Wheelabrator Group
517	Foundry-in-a-Box	415	Midvale Industries	408	YXLON



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

1. **Hotel Room Block:** Potawatomi Hotel & Casino has a current room block rate of **\$141/night** for reservations made by February 1, 2017, **subject to availability**. Please use the **group name “AFS”**. Please contact the hotel directly at 800.729.7244.
2. **Thursday Keynote & Awards Dinner Banquet:** Spouses are encouraged to attend. (The filet is awesome!) Program includes: scholarship awards, presentation of Casting Competition winners, Keynote Speaker. Dinner Tickets may be purchased separately, in advance. (Full Conference Badges include dinner tickets).
3. **AFS Institute half-day course offerings** on Wednesday 2/8. To register for courses, [click here \(AFS Institute\)](#) or contact Celeste Smith at csmith@afsinc.org 847.824.0181 x209.
4. For the most up to date Wisconsin Regional **Conference Program**, please [click here www.wisconsinafs.org](http://www.wisconsinafs.org)
5. For **Directions** to Potawatomi Hotel & Casino please [click here](#).
6. For a layout of the **Potawatomi Hotel & Casino** property, please [click here](#) .
7. The **Potawatomi Hotel & Casino** is a wonderful, *and large*, venue. Here is some advice once on the property.
 - The **Hotel** entrance is located on Canal Street. If you are staying in the hotel, complimentary valet parking is available to you.
 - **Parking** is free and covered and directly behind, or south, of the building complex, off of Potawatomi Circle. There is a covered skywalk on **Parking level 4**, which is the same elevation as the Regional Conference & Expo. If you park on a different level, take the elevator or stairs to parking level 4 and cross the skywalk.
 - The **Regional Conference** will be located on the **3rd Floor** of the building complex. (Yes, this is correct. “Parking level 4” = “3rd floor of building complex”).
 - Upon leaving the skywalk, follow signage to the Expo Center on that level.
 - Conference registration will be located in the entrance to the Expo Center.
8. **Need more info?** If you have further questions or require additional information, please contact Laura Gustafson, Chapter Coordinator, at 262.532.2440 x15, afswi@teamwi.com or Rick Yrigoyen, Regional Conference Chair, at 262.689.0804, RickYrigoyen@gmail.com

Please share this information with your colleagues and extended business network.

“Make the Cut for Success” and join us in Milwaukee!