

Meet Your Featured Kickoff & Keynote Speakers

AFS WI Regional Conference & Exposition, February 13-15, 2019

Wednesday Kick-Off Speaker: 2:00pm Expo Stage



Jean Bye

AFS National President

President of the American Foundry Society

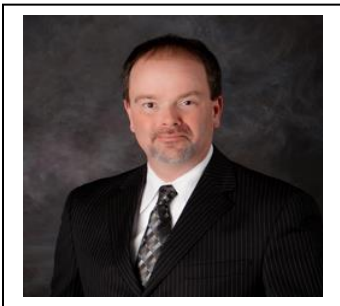
Bachelor and Masters Degree in Business Administration

45 Years of experience in the metal casting industry

Jean has held responsibility in all areas of Dotson Iron Casting. Currently, Jean is the President and CEO. Jean has a passion for lean manufacturing, flow, efficiency and encourages an inclusive culture of engaged employees. Jean recognizes the importance of best practices and seizes every opportunity to visit metal casting operations around the world – continuing to learn from each visit.

Jean recently received the Manufacturing Leadership Council's award for outstanding achievement in collaborative innovation. She has served on the board of the Ductile Iron Society and American Foundry Society.

Thursday Keynote Speaker: 7:00pm Dinner



John Wiesbrock

Waupaca Foundry, Inc.

Executive VP– Sales, Marketing and Supply Chain Management

TOPIC: "Increasing Your Company's Value Proposition"

John has over 30 years of manufacturing experience in both Foundry and Machining operations.

Wiesbrock started his career in manufacturing in 1986 and has held Senior Management positions in Operations, Sales and Marketing, and Supply Chain Management.

In 2002, Wiesbrock joined Waupaca Foundry. During his tenure he has held positions including John Deere Key Account Manager, Sales Manager, Director of Automotive Sales, Director of Off Highway Sales, and his current role as Executive Vice President.

In July of 2010 Wiesbrock developed Waupaca's Supply Chain Management Organization as the Director of Supply Chain Management, in July 2012; Wiesbrock was promoted to Vice President of Supply Chain Management and in 2014 was promoted to his current role as Executive Vice President.

Waupaca's Supply Chain Management Organization includes Procurement, Supplier Quality, Supplier Development, Logistics, New Product Introduction, and Customer Service / Order Fulfillment Processes.