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CWIs and SCWIs – Please Note

To help you obtain Professional Development Hours (PDHs), our Section is now offering PDHs for meetings that qualify for these certificates. We are also advertising the meetings of the West Coast (Tampa) Section (see below) so you can attend any of their meetings that will qualify for the issuing of a PDH Certificate. Meetings of the West Coast Section are held at the Spaghetti Warehouse, 1911 13th Street, Tampa, FL 33605. Social hour 6-7PM, dinner and presentation 7-9PM. Call Crumpton Welding Supply at (727) 525-2177 for info or to make reservations.

May 3 – Shrimp-A-Roo at Yuengling Brewery

February 11 Meeting Summary

The second meeting of the North Central Florida Section for the 2013-14 year was held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at Airgas in Ocala, FL. After a meal of pizza and soft drinks provided by the Section, Welding Prof. J. T. Mahoney of Santa Fe College in Gainesville gave an excellent presentation to 42 attendees on the AWS District Scholarship program. He explained that this is the first year that the District Scholarship applications must be filed on-line, and he showed the students in attendance how to do that. He also gave them pointers on items to address, including becoming an AWS Student member if they were not already one. Following this presentation, District Director Carl Matricardi presented District and Section awards to members of the North Central Florida Section. (See article on page 2 for further information on these Section and District awards and recipients.)

May Annual Meeting **Tour of Townley Engineering**

(This meeting does not qualify for PDH)

The annual meeting of the North Central Florida Section will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at Townley Engineering, 10551 SE 110th Street Road, Belleview, FL 34420. The meeting will start at 6:00 PM with a meal provided by the Section, followed by a tour of the shops and foundry at Townley. We may even get to see a cast iron pour made during the tour. Howard Record, NCF Section Vice Chairman will be our host for this event. The annual meeting will be held after the dinner and before the tour. Elections of officers for the next 2 years (6/14 through 5/16) will be held. Nominees provided by the Nominating Committee are:

Chairman – Chris Owen, Townley Foundry

1st Vice Chairman – Howard Record,

Townley Engineering

2nd Vice Chairman – Josh Esposito, CTAE

Secretary – Bill Myers, Retired

Treasurer – Bill Seyfarth, Weldtest Services

Past Chairman – Jennifer Skyles, SPX

At-large representative – Greg Hofmann (6 yrs),
E-One.

There will be drawings for door prizes and a 50-50 raffle. Welding students who are not already AWS Student members will be entered in a free drawing for AWS Student Memberships, with up to 10 winners. Be sure to attend and get your tickets for these drawings and raffle. Door prize and raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or 7 for \$5.00.

Free - One Year AWS Student Memberships Awarded

The North Central Florida Section has been conducting drawings for free one year AWS Student Memberships at our Section meetings, paid for by our Section. Students attending the meetings are given a free ticket, and winners are drawn at the end of the meeting.

Student winners at the Section meeting held on February 11 at Airgas in Ocala were **Angel Blanco, Jacob Bradshaw, Darren Doucette, Steven Larramore and Jonathon Vasquez from CTAE in Ocala, Jesse Herringshaw and Brent Lewis from Santa Fe College in Gainesville, and Dylan Drake.**

Congratulations to all of our winners. Students – be sure to attend the next Section meeting at Airgas in Ocala to get your free chance for a one year AWS Student Membership. Up to 10 Student Memberships will be given away at this meeting.

Section Library Now Located at Weldtest Services in Cedar Key, FL.

Bill Seyfarth, AWS NCF Section Treasurer and owner of Weldtest Services, now has the entire AWS Section Library at his facility in Cedar Key, FL. Bill will respond to requests for info by phone, FAX, or email. He will either conduct a search for information in the AWS publications that you specify, or he will advise what publications may have the information you desire. He will fax copies of pages free of charge, or mail the entire publication (with the exception of the D1 Codes), to you. You may also visit him at his facility and do your own research, provided you make an appointment in advance. You can reach him at:

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Section and District Award Recipients

The following individuals were honored with the 2012-2013 indicated awards at our Feb 11th Section meeting. The awards were presented by District 5 Director Carl Matricardi:

Section and District Meritorious Awards – Howard Record, Section 2nd Vice Chairman.
Section and District Private Sector Instructor Awards – Greg Hofmann, Mfg Engr, E-One.
Section and District Public Sector Instructor Awards – Josh Esposito, Welding Instructor, CTAE.
Section and District CWI Awards – Curtis Warren, CWI and Welding Instructor, CTAE.
District Director Certificate Awards – Jennifer Skyles, Section Chairman and Bill Myers, Section Secretary.

CWI Seminar and Exam Coming to Orlando

There will be a CWI Seminar June 22-27, 2014, and CWI Exam on June 28, 2014. They will be held in Orlando, at the Renaissance Orlando Airport Hotel, 5445 Forbes Place, Orlando, FL 32812. To register, call AWS at 1-800-443-9353, ext 455 for seminar, or ext 273 for exam.

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Dates to Remember

May 3, 2014. District 5 Conference, 8AM-4PM,
Holiday Inn Express, 13294 Telecom Drive,
Tampa, FL 33637. 813-972-9800.

May 13, 2014. Annual meeting, elections, Tour of
Townley Foundry, Belleview, FL

June 22-27, 2014. CWI Seminar, Orlando*

June 28, 2014. CWI Exam, Orlando*

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Greg Hofmann – E-One

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**Important – Dated Material.
May Annual Section Meeting
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