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SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023

3:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. **REGISTRATION**

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. WELCOME RECEPTION & AWARD CEREMONY

(Intern Scholarships, Innovator of The Year, Hall of Honor, Member Emeritus)

MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023

7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. REGISTRATION DESK

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. WELCOME - GENERAL SESSION

Nip Singh, S&A Consulting Group, LLP, ICI Director

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Keynote Address: Overcoming Organizational Adversity

Colonel Greg Gadson, US Army

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. BREAK

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. How Automation Can Be Used As An Employee Development Platform In The New

'Difficult-To-Hire and Retain' World

Aaron Phipps, MPI, Inc. Booth #413

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. A Research and Industry Roadmap: Barriers and Opportunities for Increased,

Lower Cost Additive Manufacturing Integration for Investment Casting Foundries

Christopher Annear, Penn State Behrend

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. How Is My Pattern Coating and Draining?

Gavin Dooley, REMET UK

Booth #101

12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Training and Recruiting High-Quality Next Generation through Industry Partnered

Competitions

Victor Okhuysen, Ph.D., Cal Poly Pomona University

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Water Shell Removal Compared to Other Methods

Darrell Terpenning, NLB Corp. Booth #216

2:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. **EXPO**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023

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 $8:00 \ a.m. - 8:15 \ a.m.$ WELCOME - GENERAL SESSION

Ty Ueland, SeaCast, Inc., ICI Director

8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Advanced Electrode Melting for Highest-Purity Cast Parts

Dr. Samuel Bogner, ALD Vacuum Technologies GmbH Booth #113

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. An Approach Utilizing Technology to Restore the Metal Casting Industry

to a New Level of Pre-eminence

Donald Deptowicz, Aspen Hybrid Technology Solutions LLC

ICI AM Subcommittee Chair

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Dr. Richard Freeman, PRI

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. BREAK

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Complementary Systems with Different Objectives

Brian Ferg, Member Emeritus

11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. CASTING CONTEST AWARDS

11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. ADJOURNMENT

Joseph Fritz, ICI Executive Director