



Winter 2017 FAME eNews

From the Chair: Dave Phillips (FAME Chair; Training Manager, GW Lisk)

Greetings!

I would like to begin with a thank you to Mike Mandina for his years of dedication and leadership in FAME. I would also like to personally thank all those involved with organizing the FAME annual event held at MCC this year. You really hit it out of the park on this one.

Our annual event is our only real opportunity to get all of the membership together for updates on current projects and to collaborate on future plans. This year we had the good fortune to have Jeremy Bout from Edge Factor as our keynote speaker. He is a great speaker and motivator with a true passion for advanced manufacturing. His message was loud and clear, we need to break old molds and learn how to promote manufacturing and encourage people to enter into education and career tracks that will lead to successful careers in advanced manufacturing.

I look forward to working together with you in the coming year, as we try to make these goals a reality for our region.

Dave Phillips



FAME celebrates its 10th Anniversary with a sold-out annual event at MCC!

The Finger Lakes Advanced Manufacturers' Enterprise was pleased to present **Mr. Jeremy Bout** of **Edge Factor** to an at-capacity crowd at its annual industry/education event on **February 16, 2017 at Monroe Community College!**

Pictured above right with FAME's incoming and outgoing Chairs, this year's FAME Keynote speaker was a mixed brew of caffeine, ideas that defy convention, and passion that drives creativity. Speaking to a crowd of over 200 attendees, his **TECH Talk "Why Settle?"** asked the advanced manufacturers and educators in attendance to consider questions like:

- Why does a classroom today look almost exactly the same as one from 100 years ago?
- With advanced and emerging technologies, career pathways that have never existed in history are being created every day -- is the educational system keeping up and are we teaching our children the life skills they need for holistic life and career success?
- How can we usher in and train the leaders of tomorrow?

Outgoing FAME Chair Mike Mandina of Optimax Systems, below left with FLWIB Executive Director Karen Springmeier, was honored for his outstanding effort and many years of service to FAME with a special award recognizing his commitment to our region and the advanced manufacturing industry. This year's event also featured an advanced manufacturing "speed-dating" expo, which offered educators the opportunity to interact with exhibiting advanced manufacturing members and partners of FAME (photo below right).



For complete details on the 2017 "FAME at 10/Edge Factor" event, please [click here!](#)

Congratulations to Dan Gersbach of Wayne FL BOCES - the 2017 FAME STAR Award winner!

At top right, Dan Gersbach (WFL BOCES) with Dave Phillips (incoming FAME Chair). Dan was honored for his dedication to the worker pipeline for our industry. As an employer, Dan spent many hours over the years talking to students about careers in advanced manufacturing. He presented to students, teachers, and school boards.

After his retirement from GW Lisk, Dan moved into a



position as a teacher in the WFL BOCES AME program. He is taking his many years of experience and using them to teach students to become machinists!



MCC High Tech Expo to take place on March 22!

Learn more about in-demand, high-tech careers in engineering and technology, computers, optics and photonics, geospatial technology and manufacturing.

Warshof Conference Center
MCC Brighton campus
7-9pm

For event details, please [click here](#) or call 585-292-3725.



FAME Presents to Rochester Rotary

In one of his last acts as FAME Chair, Mike Mandina presented to the Rochester Rotary on behalf of FAME's *5% Pledge*. With 36 companies currently participating in the *5% Pledge*, this was an opportunity to expose more businesses in our region to the benefits of hiring temporary workers that help build the pipeline. Mike is pictured at left with Donna Dedee, President.

Click [HERE](#) for details on FAME's *5% Pledge* program.

[Finger Lakes Job Fair coming up March 28 from 1:00-4:00pm!](#)

[Where: Finger Lakes Community College - Student Center, 3325 Marvin Sands](#)

[Dr. Canandaigua, NY 14424](#)

[To participate, please contact: Michael Woloson at \(315\) 789-3131 ext. 103.](#)

FAME Joint Pipeline/Hiring & Training Committee meeting to be held on April 6th at AA Tech

Pipeline members are busy planning changes to the Speakers Bureau and Summer 2017 opportunities for teachers! The April 6th meeting will be held at Advanced Atomization Technologies, from 8:30-10:30AM, at 124 Columbia St. in Clyde, NY. To attend, please contact Michele at FAME, email: fame@nyfame.org

For minutes from recent meetings, please [click here](#).

The following FAME members are hiring!

Advanced Atomization Technologies, <http://solutions.parker.com/LP=2404>

B + L/Valeant, <http://www.valeant.com/career>

Gorbel, <https://www.gorbel.com/careers/career-opportunities>

GW Lisk, <http://www.gwlisk.com/lisk-careers/>

K&H Precision, <http://www.kandhprecision.com/>

McAlpin Industries, <http://www.mcalpin-ind.com/careers.html>

Optimax Systems Inc. <http://www.optimaxsi.com/careers/>

OptiPro Systems, <http://www.optipro.com/careers.html>

Sydor Optics, <https://www.sydor.com/about/careers/>

Zotos International, <http://www.sca.shiseido.com/humanresource.cfm>

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