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AME Announces 2015 Dr. Sherrie Ford Scholarship Recipients

ROLLING MEADOWS, Ill., March 4, 2015—The Association for Manufacturing Excellence (AME) is proud to announce the seven recipients of the Winter/Spring Term 2015 Dr. Sherrie Ford Manufacturing as a Career Path Scholarship.

“These select few represent the bright future of manufacturing in America,” said AME President Barbara Morrison. “Their hard work and dedication reflect AME’s mission to ensure the competitiveness of manufacturing operations throughout the U.S., driving organizations to secure successful futures through the pursuit of enterprise excellence and continuous improvement.”

The recipients are:

Joshua Bowman, currently attending Pennsylvania State University and pursuing concurrent degrees in mechanical and nuclear engineering.

Tyler Greenwaldt, a senior at St. Cloud State University pursuing a degree in mechanical engineering. After graduation, Greenwaldt plans to either begin his career in manufacturing or continue his education and pursue an advanced degree in mechanical engineering.

Antonio Ibarra, a senior at Southwest High School in San Antonio, Texas. Ibarra hopes to attend Purdue University in the fall to pursue a bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering.

Erin MacDonald, a first year master’s student at Oregon Institute of Technology pursuing a degree in manufacturing engineering technology.

Willem Marais, currently attending Oregon Institute of Technology and pursuing a master’s degree in manufacturing engineering technology.

Carlos Reyes, a senior at John F. Kennedy High School in San Antonio, Texas. Reyes hopes to attend the University of Texas in the fall to pursue a degree in biomedical engineering.

Justine Sherman, a freshman at Worcester Polytechnic Institute pursuing a degree in industrial engineering.

AME's Dr. Sherrie Ford Manufacturing as a Career Path Scholarship honors Dr. Sherrie Ford, who was a renowned consultant in the field of enterprise change and head of Power Partners, recognized as one of the U.S.' largest women-owned businesses. Her incredible impact on manufacturing still resonates throughout the industry today, a legacy this scholarship strives to honor.

The scholarship, sponsored by AME and [Kronos](#), is designed for individuals who will graduate from high school this year, or who have prior manufacturing experience and have decided to pursue a college education. Fifteen \$1,500 scholarships are awarded throughout the course of the academic year, with a \$500 signing bonus awarded to recipients who successfully complete their academic program and proceed to land a position in a manufacturing industry.

For more information go to <http://www.ame.org/scholarship-program>, where you can download the fall term application, due June 12, 2015. If you have any questions, please contact AME Education and Training Program Coordinator Jerri Strohmeyer at jstrohmeyer@ame.org or 224.232.5980, ext. 222.

About the Association for Manufacturing Excellence

The Association for Manufacturing Excellence (AME) is the premier not-for-profit organization dedicated to the journey of continuous improvement and enterprise excellence. AME's membership is composed of a trusted network of volunteers who are committed to leveraging the practitioner-to-practitioner and company-to-company shared-learning experience. Through engaging workshops, plant tours, webinars, summits and industry-leading conferences, AME members are continually discovering and implementing new continuous improvement strategies and best practices. AME offers members a multitude of valuable resources to help them stay abreast of current industry developments and improve the skills, competitiveness and overall success of their organizations. Join AME in leading the "Renaissance of Manufacturing in North America." For more information, visit ame.org or email info@ame.org.

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