



# Fort Wayne

# ENGINEERS' Club

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### **November Tour to Blackstone Laboratories**

Thursday, November 17th, 7:00 PM EST  
416 East Pettit Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN 46806

Founded in 1985 Blackstone Laboratories ([www.blackstone-labs.com](http://www.blackstone-labs.com)) is an industry leader in oil analysis. They analyze all types of oil from engines, aircraft, and industrial equipment. Oil analysis is a good tool to use for predicting maintenance; problems can generally be found long before they are a cause of failure, allowing repairs to be made without extensive downtime.

Blackstone Labs will be providing pizza, pop, and Mad Anthony's beer, so please bring you appetite as well as your interest to this tour.

Blackstone is located close to the corner of Pettit Ave. and Lafayette St. across from Southgate Plaza. If you take Lafayette St. to Pettit Ave., turn East and Blackstone is the first big blue building on the right. Parking is either behind the lab or in Tire Barn's lot.

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### **November Open House**

**PHD, Inc. & Yamaha Robotics Open House**  
Saturday, November 12th, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM EST  
9030 Clubridge Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46809

PHD ([www.phdinc.com](http://www.phdinc.com)) has invited the FWEC membership to attend their open house. The open house is open to all FWEC members as well as any other interested persons. The open house will showcase two of PHD's Fort Wayne facilities that design, develop, engineer, and manufacture a range of actuators, grippers, and accessories for industrial automation solutions.

Guided tours as well as door prizes and a light lunch will be provided by PHD.

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### **Upcoming Tours**

The FWEC tentatively has the wind farm near the Mone Plant scheduled for December 15th at 2:00 PM EDT. We apologize for the daytime tours, but need to work within our host facility's schedule. We're also investigating potential tours with C&A Tool Engineering in Churubusco, Vera Bradley in Fort Wayne, and National Serv-All's recycling facility. We'll let you know which tours panned out in future newsletters.

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## **The FWEC Newsletter E-Mail Delivery**

The FWEC newsletter is now available for e-mail delivery. This saves the club postage and newsletter fees as well as getting the newsletter to the membership sooner. Please add [News@FortWayneEngineersClub.org](mailto:News@FortWayneEngineersClub.org) to your address list ensuring proper delivery of the newsletter.

## **Future Tours**

The FWEC is looking for ideas for future venues. Is your place of work somewhere that you'd like to show off? Are you interested in a specific company in the Fort Wayne area? Please submit all tour ideas to [FortWayneEngineersClub@yahoo.com](mailto:FortWayneEngineersClub@yahoo.com).

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## **2011-2012 Membership Dues**

Dues for the FWEC 2011-2012 membership year are now payable. Dues are \$10/year (\$5/year for students). Payments can now be made online through our website (\$1 extra charge) or mailed directly to the club treasurer. How do you know if you owe dues? Look above your name on the newsletter address label. If it says 11, then you owe dues. If it says 12 or more, then you are paid up for the next year. HO stands for Honorary and CO stands for Complementary. We are also accepting contributions to the [Northeast Indiana Engineers' Week academic award fund](#). Please be clear in marking your dues separate from your academic award donations. All mailed dues and academic award contributions need to go to:  
FWEC Treasurer – Ryan Stark  
828 West Oakdale Drive  
Fort Wayne, IN 46807.

For questions, Ryan can be reached at (260) 456-0809.

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## **FWEC 2011-2012 Board**

### **Board Membership**

The 2011-2012 FWEC Board Membership is as follows:

- President: Seth Tribbett
- Vice President: John Magsam
- Treasurer: Ryan Stark
- Secretary: Elizabeth Garr

1st Year Board Members (2011-2014):  
Jim Delaney & Jack Phlipot

2nd Year Board Members (2010-2013):  
Deborah Pitzer & Ralph Snyder

3rd Year Board Members (2009-2012):  
Cecil "Gene" Dominique & Dan Delaney

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