



2016 Lifetime Achievement Award

Bay Area Engine Modelers Club

While past foundation awards have honored individual achievement and contributions to the world of model engineering, this award is presented as a group award to the members of the Bay Area Engine Modelers Club. Through the interaction and sharing of information between members of his active and productive group, advancements in the field of building running model engines have been able to reach more people quickly, benefitting the whole hobby. With over 100 members from not only the San Francisco Bay Area, but from outside the USA as well, the club is a major force in the advancement of Model Engineering throughout the world.

The club, which was formed over 21 years ago, participates in local demonstrations at model engineering shows plus hotrod and other car events, putting the hobby before a public that might not have known it even exists. Every year a few new members are found at the Goodguys National car show where the club shows and runs its engines in a Pleasanton Fairgrounds building provided by the show. They have also made donations to help local machining training programs. The club publishes an excellent newsletter called "Crank Calls", and an archive of past publications can be found at <http://baemclub.com/pages/crankcalls.html>. Their main web address is <http://baemclub.com>.

The Joe Martin Foundation for Exceptional Craftsmanship award consists of a check for \$500 and an award plaque. This is the 12th Lifetime Achievement Award to be presented by the foundation. Previous winners include Phil Matson, Rudy Kouhoupt, Bob Shores, Robert Washburn, Augie Hiscano, Kozo Hiraoko, Ron Chernich, Szymon Klimek, Louis Chenot, Fred Heim and Iqbal Ahmed. The foundation was started by Joe Martin who was the owner of Sherline Products, a US Manufacturer of precision miniature machine tools. Joe Martin passed away in 2014, but funding from the profits of the tool company continues to fund the foundation per the conditions of his trust. The foundation hosts a virtual museum web site at www.CraftsmanshipMuseum.com honoring over 115 individual craftsmen as well as a traditional 16,000 square foot museum in Carlsbad, California that features over 1000 miniature works of mechanical art including over 450 running engines and a working machine shop.