



SCHEDULE:

Date: **Thursday, February 6, 2025**

Location: **Zehnder’s of Frankenmuth - Town Hall downstairs**

Meal: **Super Bar Buffet** – Chicken, Roast Beef, Shrimp

Tickets: **\$40.00**

6:00 PM - Social Hour

6:45 PM – Dinner

7:45 PM - Business Meeting

8:00 PM - Program

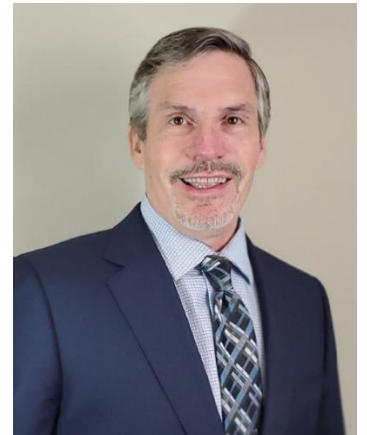
Introduction to Lean Manufacturing from a CFO’s Perspective – A Foundry Expert’s Approach

Speaker: **MICHAEL SUCHY**, Growth Strategy Solutions

Michael Suchy is founder of Growth Strategy Solutions, a consultancy dedicated to helping small to mid-sized businesses grow and maximize profitability. In 2022, Michael launched Growth Strategy Solutions. Now a lead mentor with the CFO Project, Michael continues to shape future CFOs, sharing his expertise on lean principles, strategic planning, and financial clarity tailored to the unique demands of the foundry sector.

Michael Suchy brings over 35 years of leadership experience in the foundry industry, where he has held roles such as Director of Strategic Initiatives, Plant Manager, and General Manager. Born and raised in Hastings, Minnesota, Michael earned his degree in Industrial Engineering from Red Wing Technical College and a degree in Business Administration from Metropolitan State University. Over his career, Michael has helped companies achieve dramatic growth, turning around operations from \$6M to over \$20M in annual sales within a year.

As a former President of Metal Casters of Minnesota and Chairman of the Board for the Twin City Chapter of the American Foundry Society, Michael has dedicated his career to enhancing industry standards. He has secured over \$32M in grants for training and operational improvements and has successfully implemented strategic turnarounds, lean manufacturing processes, and capital-driven projects with high ROI.



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The AFS 2024-2025 Program will be posted to the website. Mark your calendars.

Thursday, March 6, 2025

U of M Sand Reuse Project

Saturday, June 7, 2025

Golf Outing at Swan Valley Golf Course

The next AFS SVC Foundry in a Box events will be:

Bay City Handy Middle School 7th grade

Tues – Wed Feb 11 & 12 from 7:54 AM to 12:05 PM

Bay City Western Middle School 7th grade

Tues – Wed March 11 & 12 from 9:00 AM to 2:05 PM

Delta College Girls Day Out 7th-12th grades

Friday, March 14 from 8:00 AM to 3 PM

Contact smanyen@comcast.net if available to volunteer for Foundry in a Box events.

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