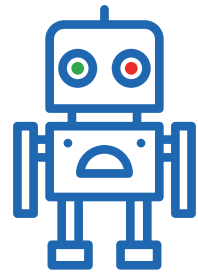


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NAME

Matt Keller

CAREER

Technical Director/Co-Founder
at Aigean Networks

EDUCATION

Purdue University

TEAM

108 Sigmacats

YEAR(S) ATTENDED THE ORLANDO/ FLORIDA REGIONAL AS A STUDENT

2004-2007



WHAT ARE OR HAVE YOU WORKED ON IN YOUR CAREER THAT YOU ARE MOST PROUD OF?

I built a highly successful business that manufactures networking equipment designed for yachts. Fort Lauderdale is the yacht capital of the world which is where my business is located. My company is known for their high powered, long range wireless networking. I created the first high powered dual band WIFI ship to shore device allowing a boat several miles offshore to connect to land based Wi-Fi network.

HOW HAS WHAT YOU LEARNED IN *FIRST* HELP YOU SUCCEED IN YOUR CAREER?

FIRST was the single-most important thing I can point to that has led to my success. I learned more usable real-world skills than from anything else. It inspired my passion for continual learning. I became a better communicator as I was shy and introverted. I was able to satisfy my desire to work on many different aspects of a functioning organization. Unbeknownst to me at the time, *FIRST* was the single most important experience I had when starting my business. It reduced a lot of the need to learn as you go. I knew what needed to be in place and how to operate right out of the gate.