



THE SCIOTO VALLEY VOICE

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR QUALITY SCIOTO VALLEY SECTION 0815

"ASQ's First Section of the New Millennium"

August 2004

Volume 7, Number 8

Editor – Mike MacCrae (maccraem@ettp.net)

IN THIS ISSUE:

- MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR
- CALL FOR PAPERS
- ASQ CERTIFICATION EXAMS
- CERTIFICATION PREPARATION
- EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
- PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR FALL 2004
- PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES
 - 2004 SOUTHEASTERN QUALITY CONFERENCE

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Your Executive Committee (EC) has been very busy this summer. While all of you have been enjoying the summer (?), we have been planning the SVS meetings for the coming year. It is the intent of the EC to have meetings that will not only be of interest and useful to the membership of the Scioto Valley Section, but also be held in various locations to better serve the entire SVS membership. Below is a draft schedule of some of the EC's SVS meeting plans. The dates, type of meeting, and locations are not yet confirmed, so the entire schedule is still flexible at this point. As locations and full speaker/tour information become firmed up, the schedule will be updated.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
September 2004	Tour	Chillicothe	Manufacturing/Production
October 2004	Tour/speaker	Piketon	Environment
November 2004	Speaker	Canter's Cave	Training/Certification
December 2004	Speaker	Waverly	Spouse Night
January 2005	Tour	Portsmouth	Food Processing
February 2005	Speaker	Jackson	Lean Processing and Control
March 2005	Speaker	TBA	Quality in Health Care
April 12, 2004	Tour	Chillicothe	Joint meeting Columbus Sect.
May 2005	Tour/speaker	Huntington	Joint meeting Mid Ohio Valley Section
June 2005	Tour	Manchester	Quality in Winemaking.

Notice that the December meeting has been designated as Spouse Night. Spouses, significant others and guests are **always** welcome to attend all our meetings. However, this meeting is being planned a little differently with a less formal and probably a less technical subject, one that will be of interest to all in attendance. Then, in June, we are heading back to Moyer's Restaurant with a short tour of the winery to ensure their quality control is still meeting specifications. This meeting is intended to be a fun, laid back, enjoyable meeting

while overlooking the Ohio River from this super location. The EC believes these planned meetings will be of interest and be useful to you, the section members. Let us know what you think of the proposed schedule.

Did you know that the EC meetings are always open to any member? The current meeting location for the EC meetings is The Dean's Conference Room (Room 105), Bennett Hall, OU-Chillicothe. The meeting starts around 5:30 PM. Sometimes, we start a little later—depending on our munching our dinners (usually bring your own) and the secretary's ability to eat and take notes concurrently. The following are tentative dates for the EC meetings; changes may be made occasionally to permit optimum meeting attendance for planning. We would love to have more members take part in the discussions that drive our section forward. Consider spending about an hour to hour and a half on an EC meeting night and give us your input. The SVS exists for your benefit; help us meet your needs.

- Thursday, August 12, 2004
- Thursday, September 9, 2004
- Tuesday, October 12, 2004
- Tuesday, November 9, 2004
- Tuesday, December 7, 2004
- Tuesday, January 11, 2005
- Tuesday, February 8, 2005
- Tuesday, March 8, 2005
- Thursday, April 7, 2005
- Thursday, May 12, 2005
- Thursday, June 9, 2005

Do you hold an ASQ certification and are you concerned about getting the points for recertification? Think about serving on an SVS committee (1 point per year) or becoming a committee chair (2 points per year—one for the committee and one for serving on the EC.) Committee memberships are a great way to not only earn those valuable points but to also ensure the Section meets your needs for continual improvement in your professional life. Just contact me, Pamela.sperling@wastren.com, and we can discuss your roll in the section.

I'm looking forward to a great year with the SVS!

Pamela Sperling
Chair, ASQ Scioto Valley Section
Fiscal Year 7/1/2003-6/30/2004

CALL FOR PAPERS FOR THE ASQ WORLD CONFERENCE ON QUALITY AND IMPROVEMENT

The Annual ASQ World Conference on Quality and Improvement will be held on May 16-18, 2005, at the Washington State Convention and Trade Center Seattle, Washington. The theme is, ***“Teaming with Energy, Leading with Purpose.”***

One of the purposes of the conference is to provide an opportunity to submit theme-related papers from members who have experience or expertise in the subject matter area. Don't miss this opportunity to tell your story. The deadline to submit draft papers for the ASQ World Conference (formerly AQC) is approaching fast. Visit the WCQI web page at www.asq.org for more details.

The deadline to submit draft papers is Friday, August 6, 2004!!

ASQ CERTIFICATION EXAMS

The following table lists the various certifications offered by ASQ, the exam dates, the application deadlines, and costs:

Cert.	Exam Date	Application Deadline	Cost
CHA	10/16/04	08/20/04	\$180
CMI	10/16/04	08/20/04	\$155
CQM	10/16/04	08/20/04	\$235
CQT	10/16/04	08/20/04	\$155
CRE	10/16/04	08/20/04	\$180
SSBB	10/16/04	08/20/04	\$180

Certification examinations will be held at The Ohio State University, Research and Development Center in Piketon, since this site is at the approximate geographical center of the area served by section 815.

CERTIFICATION PREPARATION

Cynthia L. Davis, Quality Assurance Manager at Mills Pride, Waverly has plans to run some additional ASQ Certification Preparation courses at Mill's Pride this fall. We will post the details as they become available

The following link on the ASQNet.org web page provides valuable information on resources to help you prepare for the various certifications that ASQ offers:

http://www.asq.org/portal/page?_pageid=33,39211,33_39258&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&in_url=/career/index.html

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Quality Assurance Manager's Position

Lexington, Kentucky

The Company: The company is a leader in their industry, has 300 employees in a non-union environment, and operates 24/7 in a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility.

The Position: The position is responsible for keeping the company at the leading edge with respect to Quality Assurance capabilities. The new QA Manager will enhance quality control processes and documentation, reporting structure, performance structure and incorporate systems to ensure Six Sigma levels of performance. Will direct 12 QA personnel plus a clerical person.

The Candidate: Will have a BS Degree, possess strong communication and leadership skills, and a demonstrated track record in Quality Assurance.

- Six Sigma Experience
- Must be able to demonstrate strong analytical and problem-solving abilities.
- Lean Manufacturing experience.
- Strong communication skills, able to interact with employees at all levels and lead teams.
- Managerial experience desired.

This is a very immediate position. Please email Jack Cutler at jcutler@wireresources.com

Also, check out the following link on the ASQNet.org web page for career opportunities:

http://www.asq.org/portal/page?_pageid=33,39211,33_39258&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&in_url=/career/index.html

Even if you are not looking for a job right now, just reviewing the postings from time to time will help you keep abreast of the kinds of qualifications and experience employers are looking for in the quality career market.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR FALL 2004

As Pamela has described in her note above, the program schedule is well under way to being developed. As dates become confirmed, they will be published in future issues of the Newsletter.

PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

SOUTHEASTERN QUALITY CONFERENCE

October 18 – 19, 2004
Cobb Galleria Centre
Atlanta, GA

This Conference is designed for...

Quality Managers, Quality Engineers, Quality Auditors, ISO Coordinators, Consultants, Educators, Team Leaders, Manufacturers, Retailers, Customer Care/Service and anyone else interested in implementing quality principles.

Registration:

Advanced registration and payment are required to ensure your reservation. Mail the attached registration form and a check, money order, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or purchase order number to:

Greater Atlanta Section ASQ
8725 Roswell Road, Suite 0116
Atlanta, GA 30350

Registration will be acknowledged by mail through Oct. 1, 2004. Later registrations will be acknowledged on-site. Call Larry Aft at (404) 786-1541 or E-mail him at laft@bellsouth.net for further information. On-site registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 18, 2004.

Conference attendees will earn 2.0 ASQ Recertification Units.

Fees:

The full conference fee is \$325. This fee covers registration, breaks and luncheons. Registrations received before Sept. 6, 2004 are \$275. Registration cost is \$265 for individuals in a team of three or more, registering at the same time.

Registrations are due by Oct. 11, 2004 to guarantee space. Late registrations will be accepted on a space available basis. If you are unable to attend a program for which you have registered, please send a substitute in your place. If sending a substitute is not possible, your conference fees can be transferred to another Greater Atlanta ASQ conference or course of your choice.

Conference registration fees are refundable, but if cancelled after Sept. 13, 2004, a \$75 processing fee will be applied.

Each registration includes luncheon tickets on Monday and Tuesday. The plant tour to Anheuser-Busch in Cartersville, Georgia is \$25. Checks should be made payable to the Greater Atlanta Section of ASQ.

For more information contact Larry Aft

Phone: (404) 786-1541
Fax: (772) 673-8557
E-Mail: laft@bellsouth.net