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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings ASQ Members and Friends,

This time of year is for rejoicing, celebrating and reflecting on the past year; then looking forward to the New Year. We conducted our first Annual Fall Conference in October. It was a challenge but the Section embraced it and succeeded. I can't wait to see how next year's conference turn's out. We also had a wonderful trip to Spurlock Power Station. See the photos from that program on the last page of the newsletter.

Next year's monthly meetings bring a variety of topics such as refinery; laboratory data integrity; paper production; state park management; and food service/vending (possibly). I encourage all to recommend topics that interests you because it probably will interest others and it will allow us to get a jump-start on 2010's meeting lineup.

Our next meeting is pending for Marathon's refinery in Catlettsburg, Kentucky on January 21. We may need rescheduled but I will keep you updated on the arrangements.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy New Year.

Andrea Davis, Interim Scioto Valley Section Chair, 2009-2010

GEIGER BROTHERS ACHIEVES QUALITY CERTIFICATION (from American Institute of Steel Construction)

The American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC) has certified Geiger Brothers, Inc., Jackson, to its Quality Standard for Steel Building Structure Fabrication.

The certification recognizes that Geiger Brothers has the personnel, organization, experience, procedures, knowledge, equipment, capability and commitment to produce the highest quality of work and to meet the requirements of the AISC's Steel Building Structures category.

ASQ Scioto Valley Section director and past chairman Tim Matchett is the Geiger Brothers Quality Coordinator. ASQ SVS member Chris Lovett coordinates or participates in various Geiger Brothers Fabrication Shop quality functions including procurement, receipt inspection, control of M&TE and preventive maintenance.

AISC sets the quality standard for the structural steel fabrication and erection industries. Certification requires a rigorous initial evaluation to evaluate a company's quality management system and is based on a third-party audit conducted by professionals experienced in the structural steel industry. The certification is subject to annual review.

Certification requires use of American Welding Society qualified welders and written welding procedures, and written bolt tightening procedures compliant with Research Council of Structural Connections (RCSC) specifications. Certified companies must have procedures for contract and project specification review, for inspection and the qualification of inspection personnel to verify that product quality meets project requirements, and for correction of non-conforming work. Materials must be ordered in accordance with design drawings and specifications, and an inspection procedure must be in place to ensure material received meets stated requirements.

Geiger Brothers is one of only three companies in Southeastern Ohio to hold this particular AISC certification.

Established in 1909, Geiger Brothers is a general and mechanical contracting, design-build and project management company now based in Jackson and doing business in Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia. Its customer base includes some of the largest construction users in the area.

The Geiger Brothers Fabrication Division offers full service pipe and structural steel fabrication services. Its shop facility contains the latest in manual and semi-automatic welding equipment. Welders are qualified under a multitude of procedures for work on carbon steel, stainless steel, aluminum and a variety of special alloys with various welding processes.

Editor's Note: Mr. Tim Matchett is a founding member of the Scioto Valley Section, a two-term Section Chair, Senior ASQ Member, holder of multiple ASQ Certifications and a respected member of the Section Leadership Committee. Tim has 30 years of experience and commitment to Quality Assurance.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES & TOOLS

Check out the [ASQ web page](#) for information on finding available job opportunities, job seeker support, posting a resume, and many other helpful items. Many new items are added daily to assist in your career searches.

CERTIFICATION PREPARATION – A MESSAGE FROM THE CERTIFICATION CHAIR

Certification is formal recognition by ASQ that an individual has demonstrated proficiency within, and a comprehension of, a specified body of knowledge. It is peer recognition, not registration or licensure. Certification demonstrates that the certified individual has the knowledge to assure quality of products and services. Certification: 1) Is a mark of excellence; and 2) Is an investment in your career and in the future of your employer. Studying for the one of the ASQ Examination allows the individual to gain new skills and upgrade their proficiency. Maintaining your certification secures the investment you've already made in your career.

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: [Click Here](#)

ASQ CERTIFICATION EXAMS

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. The following web page provides additional information: <http://www.asq.org/certification/dates.html>.

The following table lists the various certifications offered by ASQ, exam dates, and application deadlines. Additional exam dates are available through scheduled seminars and workshops which can be viewed at the website given above.

Certifications	Application Deadline	Exam Date
Calibration Technician Pharmaceutical GMP Professional Quality Auditor Quality Engineer Quality Improvement Associate Quality Process Analyst Six Sigma Green Belt Software Quality Engineer	10/16/09	12/5/09

2009-2010 PROGRAM YEAR SCHEDULE

The Program Schedule is developed by the Leadership Committee at the beginning of the program year. Some of the meeting dates and times have not been confirmed due to the speaker's availability. Please note that some scheduled meeting dates, locations and topics may change. Every effort will be taken to provide advance notification of any changes to the scheduled program using e-mail or updates in the newsletter.

Meeting Date	Location	Theme	Topic/Speaker
December 17			No meeting scheduled.
January 21	Catlettsburg, KY	Industrial	Refining - Marathon
February 18	TBD	TBD	No meeting scheduled.
March 18	Chillicothe	Manufacturing	Paper production - Glatfelter
April 15	TBD	TBD	No meeting scheduled.
May 20	Mount Sterling	Environmental	Deer Creek State Park – Park Management
June 17	TBD	TBD	No meeting scheduled.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS/AWARENESS TRAINING

Below is a listing of upcoming conferences available through ASQ. More information on available conferences is available by clicking each link below or visiting the ASQ website (www.asq.org).

22nd Annual Quality Management Conference March 4-5, 2010 • New Orleans, LA

<http://www.asq-qm.org/>

2010 Lean and Six Sigma Conference March 8-9, 2010 • Phoenix, AZ

<http://www.asq.org/conferences/six-sigma/>

18th Annual Conference on Quality in the Space and Defense Industries March 15-16, 2010 •

Cape Canaveral, FL <http://www.asq.org/conferences/aviation-space-defense/index.html>

World Conference on Quality and Improvement May 24-26, 2010 • St. Louis, MO

<http://wcqi.asq.org/index.html>

Institute For Software Excellence Conference May 24-26, 2010 • St. Louis, MO

<http://www.asq.org/conferences/institute-for-software-excellence/index.html>

2010 Quality in Sustainability Conference May 24-26, 2010 • St. Louis, MO

<http://www.asq.org/conferences/quality-in-sustainability/index.html>

Institute For Continual Quality Improvement May 24-26, 2010 • St. Louis, MO

<http://www.asq.org/conferences/institute-for-continual-quality-improvement/index.html>

19th Annual Service Quality Conference September 13-14, 2010 • Las Vegas, NV

<http://www.asq.org/conferences/service-quality/index.html>

18th National Quality Education Conference November 7-9, 2010 • Rosemont (Chicago), IL

<http://nqec.asq.org/>

Visit [ASQ's Calendar](#) for more events.

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Leadership Committee meeting dates for program year 2009-2010 are listed below. Meeting times are 5:30 pm. All members are welcome to attend the Leadership Committee meetings.

Officers and Chairs with reports due for review/approval at monthly meetings, please consider sending advance draft copy to the Leadership Committee. If your schedule does not allow attendance, please consider calling in to the established bridge line in lieu of being on site for the meeting (Voice Bridge 800-786-1922, PIN 68793743).

- Dec. 3 Thurs/ OSU Piketon
- Jan 7 Thurs/ OSU Piketon
- Feb 4 Thurs/ OSU Piketon
- March 4 Thurs/ OSU Piketon
- April 1 Thurs/ OSU Piketon
- May 6 Thurs/ OSU Piketon
- June 3 Thurs/ OSU Piketon

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PHOTOS of November 19, 2009, East Kentucky Power Cooperative (EKPC) Spurlock Power Station, Maysville, KY Program Meeting



Left -- EKPC Engineering Manager and tour guide Jeff Schaefer (right) discusses Spurlock power station control room operations with SVS members Andrea Davis, John Shewbrooks, Doug Scott and Chad Rausch.

Right -- Tour participants had the opportunity to enter a Spurlock station unit boiler that was in shutdown mode that evening. Some of those who made the difficult entry via access door into the vast, dark boiler were Jay Adams, Doug Davis, Jim Brown and Chad Rausch, along with EKPC Engineering Manager and tour guide Jeff Schaefer (right).



Left -- Tour participants paused to see one of the large electrical turbine generators from which the Spurlock station feeds power to member electric cooperatives throughout Kentucky. Tour participants included Doug Scott, Chad Rausch, Tim Matchett, Bonnie Spencer, Mark Cade, Dan Longpre, Andrea Davis, Doug Davis, Jay Adams, John Shewbrooks and Jim Brown.



Left -- EKPC Engineering Manager and tour guide Jeff Schaefer (left) explains coal feeder operational controls to Scioto Valley Section members John Shewbrooks, Mark Cade, and Jim Brown.