

ASQ Section 1302 Newsletter

October 2007

October is Quality Month Proclamation at the Capitol

Special points of interest:

- Quality Month Proclamation
- Volunteering
- Phil Shanline Scholarship Awards
- CQT refresher Course
- Keep your eye out of updated Section Webpage <Coming Soon!>

It's that time of year again. October is here and it is Quality Month in Nebraska! Don't forget about the Proclamation ceremony at the State Capital.

When:

Wednesday 10:30 am October 10, 2007

Where:

Warner Chamber, Norris Legislature, second floor Nebraska State Capitol

Section president, Dave McCracken will

be accepting the proclamation from Governor

Dave Heineman on behalf of ASQ Section 1302.

Come join the event and be part of the

ASQ crowd.

See you there!



OCTOBER ANNOUNCEMENTS!!

October meeting: The long-awaited *Cooper Nuclear Station Tour*

After two years in the planning, the October section meeting will be held at the Cooper Nuclear power station in Brownsville, Nebraska! Don't miss this opportunity to attend an increasingly rare tour event. The evening will include a walk through tour, as well as a demonstration in the Situation Room. Dinner will be catered in after the tour.

How to get there:

Brownville, Nebraska---Highway 75 south from Auburn -- take Highway 136 east through Brownville and turn right at the Cooper sign. Or Interstate 29 South -- take the Highway 136 exit west to the Cooper sign and turn left.

Cost: \$19

What Time: 6:30 p.m.

Security Security Security

Just a reminder of a couple of important differences with this meeting.

RSVP's are Required to Participate. RSVP to as71819@navix.net or 402-467-3784 **NO LATER**

THAN

1:00 p.m. on October 16th.

Plan to arrive 10 or 15 minutes early, and Carpool with a buddy if you can. Vehicle inspections will occur at the gate.

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Students Receive Scholarships at May Meeting

The Section was privileged to distribute the annual ASQ Section 1302 Phil Shanline Scholarships at the May Meeting. Five Thousand dollars of scholarships were awarded to nine deserving students at Maboney State Park. Students also received words of wisdom from Bellevue College professor Pete Heinemann about what to expect in School and what prospective employers are looking for from graduates today.

Students also received free Student Memberships to ASQ for the first time this year as part of their scholarship awards. So, keep an eye out for these newest ASQ members at future meetings, and be sure to extend them your congratulations and welcome them to Section 1302!



2007 Scholarship Winners: From left, Taylor Allan Woodward, Chelsea Tomek, Quinn R. Lewandowski, Amanda Gehle, James Knobbe, Amanda Marie Pflasterer, and Joseph Krontz. Winners not shown are Stephanie L. Singleton and Loretta L. Smith.

A Message from Dave McCracken about Volunteering

During the recent planning session for the coming year for ASQ Section 1302, it was obvious that one of our primary needs as a Section is to increase the level of involvement by our members. If you are a volunteer member of one of the many organizations in our society that depend on volunteer effort, you know how important this involvement is to these organizations. Everything from Churches to Community Improvement organizations depend on the involvement of people like us to continue to function.

So what are the basics about being a volunteer "Member Leader" in ASQ? I think that volunteering and involvement in the Section specifically centers around the following key points: Time commitment, task difficulty, high-level commitment and personal invitation.

The time commitment should not be a burden. Most ASQ Board positions take only about an average of an hour a week. Some of these positions concentrate this time into one or two months, but averaged over the year, the time commitment should not be a burden.

The tasks that the Board needs help with range from reading scholarship applications to making phone calls to arrange for exams and

proctors, or arranging for tours and programs for Section meetings. Attendance at Board meetings and regular Section meetings is also an important part of any position. The tasks do not require a high level of knowledge or skill.

High level of commitment is an essential characteristic for a member leader. We are looking for people who are regular participants at Section meetings, who have an interest in the Section's welfare.

The final key to volunteering that I listed above is the Personal invitation. I certainly have not found the best way to do this, but I want to work with the board during the coming year to see how we can do this better than we do it now.

Obviously, there is no point in closing this article by asking you to volunteer to help ASQ serve its members. We need to help and would appreciate your involvement, but if I am right about the keys, it will take a personal invitation to help you make that decision. If you have an interest in the Section, please talk to someone on the Board at any regular Section meeting. Otherwise, I will be working to find those people in our membership who would make good member leaders and I will be talking to you soon.



New ASQ members hit the Books.

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-Dave McCracken



ASQ Member Leadership.

Certification Training

CQE Refresher Course (Offered by Section 1302 of ASQ)

Fall 2007

Instructors: Bret Gengenbach and Dr. Ram Bishu

Venue: Bellevue University main campus, 1000 Galvin Road South, Bellevue, Nebraska in the new Education Services Building) in room 4202 (middle level next to College of Professional Studies)

Class times: 8:00 to Noon

<u>Date</u>	<u>CQE Section</u>	<u>Assignments</u>
10/13	Improvement Techniques, Basic Stats,	Blue Questions
10/20	Statistical Applications, Advanced Statistics	Blues + assigned
10/27	Advanced Statistics	Blues +GR&R study
11/3	Mgt & Leadership, Quality Systems, P/P Design	Blues + assigned
11/10	Product & Process Control, Test & Measure	Blues + assigned
11/17	Testing & Measure, Control & Mgt Tools, CQE Jeopardy	Assigned
12/1	Exam Day	

Text: CQE Primer (Quality Council of Indiana) 2003 version

Recommended reference materials:

- 1) Juran's Quality Handbook
- 2) The Quality Technician's Handbook (Griffith)
- 3) Attribute and Variables Sampling Plans ANSI/ASQ Z1.4 and Z1.9-1993

Registration: \$ 300

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To promote quality awareness in Section 1302 through education in quality technology and systems, while fostering communication and interaction among quality professionals.

Opportunity Corner

QUALITY ENGINEER (EXCLUSIVE):

Omaha area client seeks a Quality professional with manufacturing experience, in machine shop and assembly practices, and a knowledge of foundry and metallurgical practices. This role will also supervise the metallurgical and heat treat lab within the plant. Focus of the position will be to analyze the capability of processes and equipment to ensure quality products, develop and enhance supplier relationships, define and document quality plans to monitor and control product quality, and utilize quality tools to improve processes and products, and reduce scrap and non-conforming products and materials. Strong analytical skills, a Degree or ASQ certification, and a minimum of 3 years of solid related experience is essential. Stronger experience will be highly regarded. This is a GREAT opportunity to be in a Lead role, and enjoy full benefits and a solid career path! Targeted Salary Range is \$45-55K, with some flexibility for highly skilled individuals!

Identities of individuals are NEVER shared with anyone without their advance knowledge and consent, to allow candidates complete confidentiality in considering and being consid-

Section Web Page Changes

Keep an eye on the ASQ Section 1302 web page in the next few months. The Board and Internet Liaison are working together to update the section web site. Not only will it have a new look, but also some new capabilities and nifty new tools. More to come about this later.... Until then, happy surfing!



ered for career advancing opportunities.

If you would like to be seriously considered we would ask that you provide some additional information by **visiting our web site at <http://www.regencygroup.com> ; and completing the Manufacturing & Engineering Personal Profile, and providing us with your resume in the preferred format, which is also detailed at our website.**

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In addition, don't forget to check out the ASQ section website and click on the "Employment Opportunities" link to the left on the home page.