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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

I certainly hope that your holiday season was a happy one and that all of us will have a joyous new year. Please look through the newsletter for information on our annual business meeting. The price is right – FREE! The board will provide you with much information about our section, from finances to membership to future plans. In addition, we will begin the process of selecting the volunteer positions for our organization for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. There may also be a surprise perk or two at the meeting ;)

Historically, our section has enjoyed a plant tour during the month of December. We have visited a candy manufacturer, a steel mill, a hotel, and an automotive stamper, to name a few. Each of these tours proves to be interesting as we see how each industry applies quality principles to their operations. A

year ago, I had the opportunity to tour the SPACEHAB Load Processing Facility with the Cape Canaveral section of ASQ. This firm puts together the modules that are loaded into the Space Shuttle to replenish the International Space Station. Some of the items packed within one module can include scientific experiments, repair materials, or even magazines that the astronauts have requested. The placement of items within the



module has to be carefully determined so that the entire structure is perfectly balanced. The one behind the group went up in STS-116, the flight that occurred this past December. While the output of your company may not be shot into space, our members would certainly be interested in touring it. So, if you would like to host a tour next December, please contact Kim Bernas at kbernas@fedsig.com.

Remember to reserve your spot for any future meetings at our website (<http://www.asq-illiana.org>). You will also find copies of past newsletters, contact information, plus some membership applications if you know of anyone who is interested in joining ASQ. We look forward to seeing you soon at a dinner meeting.

Steven Schuelka
Chairperson

Mission Statement

Illiana Section 1213–ASQ is dedicated to advancing the principles and practices of quality control for the benefit of its members, the Society, local business and industry, the education sector, and the community.

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Additional RU's Offered Before the Dinner Meeting

Maybe you have noticed a lack of any "Pre-Meeting" session before the regular Dinner Meeting so far this year? This has been due to a lack of Presenters.

If you would be willing to do a 30 minute presentation before the Dinner Meeting, please inform Kim Bernas at (708) 543-3400 kbernas@fedsig.com and you will be placed on the schedule.

These Pre-Meeting Presentations allow you to earn an additional 0.3 RU's. If you have a suggestion for future topics, please let the board know.

January Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, January 23, 2007

Location: Sanfratello's
127 Main Street
Glenwood, IL 60425
(708) 758-5500

Time: 6:00 p.m.— Registration
6:30 p.m.— Dinner
7:30 p.m.— Annual Business Meeting

SPEAKER: Steven Schuelka

TOPIC: Annual Business Meeting

COST: **Free**

**PLEASE RSVP ASAP – NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, NOON, 01/19/2007
GO TO THE WEBSITE (<http://www.asq-illiana.org/>)**

Certification Tests

<u>Exam List</u>	<u>Exam Date</u>	<u>Appl. Deadline</u>
2007		
CQT/CRE/CMI/CHA/CBA/CMQ OE/CSSBB	March 3	January 12
CQE/CQA/CSQE/CQIA/CCT/CQPA/CSSGB	June 2	April 6
CQT/CRE/CMI/CHA/CBA/CMQ OE/CSSBB	October 20	August 17
CQE/CQA/CSQE/CQIA/CCT/CQPA/CSSGB	December 1	October 5

The location for the March and June 2007 exams has been confirmed at Joliet Junior College.

If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact your Board Members or ASQ.

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Meeting Agenda for 2006/2007

<u>Date</u>	<u>ASQ Contact</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
1/23/2007	Steve Schuelka	Section Business + Nominations for Section Offices Free to Illiana Members <u>Pre-Mtg.</u> (None)	Sanfratello's 127 Main Street Glenwood, IL 60425 (708) 758-5500	Illiana Board Members
2/27/2007	Pam Hale	Election of Section Officers Application of Quality Principles in the Federal Government <u>Pre-Mtg.</u> (None)	Popolanos 17940 Torrence Avenue Lansing, IL 60438 (708) 474-0425	Dan Lowery Ph.D. Calumet College of St. Joseph
3/27/2007	Pam Hale	Data Rich Information Poor (D.R.I.P) Business Environment - the Next Quality Frontier <u>Pre-Mtg.</u> (None)	Kenootz Pizzeria & Banquet 4648 W. 147th Street Midlothian, IL 60445 708-824-0005	Angsuman Dutta & Ramon Nayyar
4/24/2007		Calibration Procedure Writing — How to Write and Validate Procedures <u>Pre-Mtg.</u> (None)	Chef Klaus - Bier Stube 679 Lagrange Road. Frankfort, IL 60423 815-469-0940	J. Brent Snoddy ISO 17025:2005 Assessor for A2LA & L-A-B
5/22/2007		Quality and Reliability of the Space Shuttle Program <u>Pre-Mtg.</u> Virtual Tour of the Space Center	Glenwood Oaks 106 N. Main Street Glenwood, IL 60425 (708) 758-4400	Steve Schuelka

Plan to attend Illiana 1213 Dinner Meetings

MEETING LOGISTICS

Directions

From North: Take I-94 to junction at I-94/I-80, go West on I-80 to Route 1 (Halsted Street) Exit South to 187th Street East (Left) to first stop light, turn left over R.R. Tracks and East to Stop Light. Proceed through the stop light and Sanfratello's is located on your left. Turn just before the building for the parking lot.

From West: I-80 East to Route 1 South (Halsted Street) Go South to 187th Street and follow above directions.

From South: Take Route 1 North (Halsted Street) to 187th Street East Right to first stop light and follow above directions.

Visit [Illiana Website www.asq-illiana.org](http://www.asq-illiana.org) for any new information



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ILLIANA MEMBERS PLEASE UPDATE ASQ WITH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS FOR
IMPORTANT UPDATES FROM YOUR SECTION.

REMEMBER TO CHECK THE ILLIANA WEBSITE MONTHLY FOR THE BALANCE
OF THE SECTION NEWSLETTERS !!

ILLIANA SECTION 1213 UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Business Meeting **Steve Schuelka**

January 23, 2007 beginning at 6:00 P.M.

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