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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

I can likely say with confidence that those of us that attended the February dinner meeting left Popolano's stuffed. Dan Lowery discussed how the Federal Government was a leader in quality principles right after WW II, but soon lost its leadership position and has gotten mired down with political in-fighting. Those in attendance also had a chance to walk away with a free book that night. Here is some other important information to pass along:

Recruitment Night

Recruiting new members to ASQ is important to the continued growth of this section. To that end, you are encouraged to invite a fellow quality professional who may benefit from membership with our organization to this month's meeting. While your cost will remain the same, the section will pick up the tab for your invitee's dinner. When submitting your reservation, make sure you select the correct number of guests. I trust that you will only invite **potential recruits** and not make this a "date night" with your spouse/significant other. Our goal is to increase membership by 10% by year's end and we hope that this recruitment effort will pay dividends.

NIQC 2006

We have good news with regards to this conference held last November – WE MADE MONEY!! For those that don't know, our section is one of the five area sections that co-sponsor this conference. One of our contributions to it is a check for \$1,000 each year to get the conference up and running. I have received a check for that amount back with a bonus of \$200! Not too bad getting a 20% return on our investment. ☺ Plans are underway for NIQC 2007, which is scheduled for Nov. 4-6, 2007 to be held again in Naperville. This will mark the tenth year of our collective sponsorship and we are hoping to make it a grand event. Yours truly is the Vice Chair for the Workshops, so if there are topics you would like to see offered, drop me a note.

Survey Results

Thank you to the 35 individuals who turned in the survey that was emailed out last month. Typically, mail surveys have a 10-15% return rate, so we did quite well. Here are a few of the results:

Question #6: Is a Tuesday night the best night for you? 43% said "Yes"; 26% said "No"; 31% had "No Opinion". Of the 26% that said "No", on Question #7, there was no clear alternate day of the week purposed. Often, the Plant Tour in December is not on a Tuesday; but, there may another non-Tuesday meeting date selected next year.

Question #8: Does the 4th week of the month work best for you? 23% said "Yes"; 6% said "No"; 71% had "No Opinion". Given those results, we will stick with the 4th week

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

The board has decided to offer a "Pre-Meeting" session before the regular dinner meeting which will allow you to earn an additional 0.3 RU's. If you have a suggestion for future topics, please let the board know.

March Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, March 27, 2007

Location: Kenootz Pizzeria & Banquet
648 W. 147th Street
Midlothian, IL 60445
708-824-0005

Time: 6:00 p.m.— Registration
6:30 p.m.— Dinner
7:30 p.m.— Program

SPEAKER: Angsuman Dutta & Ramon Nayar

TOPIC: Data rich Information Poor (D.R.I.P)
Business Environment - The Next Quality Frontier

COST: \$20.00

PLEASE RSVP ASAP – NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, NOON, 03/23/07
GO TO THE WEBSITE (<http://www.asq-illiana.org/>)

Certification Tests

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

The location for all 2007 exams has yet to be confirmed.

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>
10/24/2006	Larry Sprengel	PRECONTROL - statistical subject	<u>Chef Klaus - Bier Stube</u> 679 Lagrange Road. Frankfort, IL 60423 815-469-0940	Randahl (Randy) Hulina Total Quality Solutions
11/14/2006	Kin Bernas	LEAN MANUFACTURING	Ciao's (216th + Main St.) 3613 West 216th Street Matteson, IL 60443 708-481-6510	Kevin Douglas— Federal Signal
12/12/2006	Lloyd M. Welch	Bitzer's Products - Plant Tour. (manufacturer of machine parts) <u>This tour is limited to the 1st 20 to register</u>	2714 South Ninth Avenue Broadview, IL 60155 PH 708-345-0795	Bill Sturgeon
1/23/2007	Steve Schuelka	Section Business + Elections Free to Illiana Members	Sanfratello's 127 Main Street Glenwood, IL 60425 (708) 758-5500	Illiana Board Members
2/27/2007	Pam Hale	Application of Quality Principles in the Federal Government	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	Kenootz Pizzeria & Banquet 4648 W. 147th Street Midlothian, IL 60445 708-824-0005	Angsuman Dutta & Ramon Nayar
4/24/2007		Calibration Procedure Writing - How to write & validate procedures	Chef Klaus - Bier Stube 679 Lagrange Road. Frankfort, IL 60423 815-469-0940	J. Brent Snoddy Assessor for L-A-B & A2LA
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

MEETING LOGISTICS

Directions

From North: Take I-57 South to 147th Street (Sibley Blvd) West, follow west to Knox Avenue (1 1/2 blocks east of Cicero Avenue)

From West: I-80 East to I-57 North follow above directions.

From South: Take I-57 North to 147th Street West and follow above directions.

From East: I-80 West to I-57 North follow above directions.

Visit Illiana Website www.asq-illiana.org for any new information



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MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN QUALITY ASSURANCE

Calumet College of St. Joseph

Calumet College of St. Joseph in Hammond is offering a Masters of Science in Quality Assurance Degree. Take the next step in advancing your career as a quality professional. Contact Mary Severa, Graduate Programs Coordinator, at 219.473.4295.

Registrations for Fall 2007 classes are now being accepted.

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

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