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June Dinner Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, June 26, 2006

LOCATION: Sticky Fingers
7690 Northwoods Blvd.
North Charleston, SC

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15.50 per person

Reservations: Please RSVP by June 19th if possible

Contact: Melanie Thomas (873-8842)

or

Paul Lee (875-8837)

Email: arrangements@asq1122.org

**Please Honor Your Reservation
COME AND BRING A GUEST!**

Future Dates and Information to Remember:

- ❖ No Dinner Meeting in July or August
- ❖ July Board Meeting—Monday, July 9, 2007
 - For all outgoing and new board members
 - Building 920 – Room 763.

Speaker: Ms. Patricia Simmons

Presentation Synopsis:

Ms. Simmons will discuss what role LifePoint, Inc plays in our community and how the organization works to facilitate organ, eye, and tissue donation in our state. The presenter will then discuss how quality principals are used to increase donation and to ensure regulatory compliance.

Speaker Bio:

Ms. Patricia Simmons is the Director of Quality Systems at LifePoint, Inc in Charleston, SC. As the Director for LifePoint, Ms. Simmons (Trish) has developed a quality systems program meeting all aspects necessary for a newly regulated industry. She has grown the quality team from a team of two (one Director, one Specialist) to a team of six individuals within the Quality Department. Trish and her team are currently working in conjunction with the ocular division to develop a validation protocol for corneal processing in the laminar flow hood.

Trish holds a BA in Medieval History from the College of Charleston. After receiving her degree she served four years in the United States Marine Corps. She then worked in the field of organ research and organ perfusion, where she co-authored the article "Interstitial fluid analysis for assessment of organ function," for the journal *Clinical Transplantation*. Trish cannulated the first perfused kidney for transplant in the State of South Carolina after development of the new perfusion pump. This pump was developed by Organ Recovery Systems, where Trish had performed electronic repairs on the prototype.

Trish's quality work includes experience in the medical device industry, military and defense contracting, and the electronics manufacturing industry. She has performed many aspects of quality including auditing and developing quality programs in accordance with standards and regulations set forth by OSHA, the Department of Defense, the FDA, and many others. She is an active member of the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations QI Council, is a member of the Goose Creek Lions Club and is currently serving on the Eye Bank Association of America's Quality Assurance Task Force.

Notes from the Chair

Last month's Quality Conference, held in partnership with Trident Technical College, was a resounding success. We sold out all 60 seats. We apologize for having to turn down a number of folks who wanted to attend. The feedback we received was positive and we have every intention of continuing with this biannual type of event again. Many thanks to Sue Brinson and her team for organizing and coordinating this event.

This is our last newsletter before the summer break and therefore my last writing as chair of the section. A new slate of officers will take over as of July 1st. I've enjoyed it and like you I am looking forward to the summer vacation season. I hope you can take some time off and relax. Be safe and may God bless you all.

Roger Dolidia
Section 1122 Chair

Lowcountry Quality Conference Update

The Lowcountry Quality Conference, which was held on May 18, 2007, was a success! All sixty places were filled and excellent feedback was received from the evaluations. Some good suggestions were submitted for improving the next Lowcountry Quality Conference as well.

A special thank you to the two ASQ members who served on the Quality Conference Committee with me:
Dean Creed from Santee Cooper and
Burnett Vanish recently retired from Showa Denko.

Thank you for your time and commitment.

Several board members were present the night before the conference to set up and make final preparations. As well, the board and committee members were all instrumental in the execution of the conference. The group effort is appreciated.

I would like to recognize the guest speakers, Steve Eberhardt, Cathy Fisher, Stephen Deas and Grace Duffy, who were all outstanding. I appreciate all who participated and I am looking forward to the next conference! – Sue

Note: The conference presentations are posted on the ASQ Section 122 website. www.asq1122.org

From the Placement Chair

A Finnish design and production corporation, specialized in the stone industry, which utilizes the ability rich in tradition with new technology, offers vacancies in **Trading Management** as a consequence of the trading market expansion. The following are the requirements for the candidate who would like to apply for this vacancy:

- High communication skills.
- Ability to work with people face-to-face, telephone conversation, business correspondence, etc.
- Analytical and organizational skills- basic knowledge of trading management
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This position is responsible for advanced quality planning and engineering, quality training, and customer quality interface by performing the following job duties:

- Leading advanced quality activities, including control plan development, implementation and verification.
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- Preparing and training personnel on product and process audits and final inspection plans.
- Leading and participating in cross-functional problem solving teams.
- Leading and participating in manufacturing process quality improvements.
- Tooling/fixture design and improvement.
- Conduct/Lead designed experiments, capability study analysis and Measurement System Analysis (MSA).

**EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE:**

- Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering.
- Three or more years of related engineering experience in a manufacturing environment preferred.
- Strong interpersonal skills and experience working cross-functionally and customers.
- ASQ Certified Quality Engineer preferred.
- Experience working in a QS-9000 and/or TS-16949 environment.
- Ability to travel 25%.

**SUPPLIER QUALITY ENGINEER**

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- Work with suppliers through APQP process to successful completion of PPAP.
- Perform root cause investigations of problems.
- Generate and track corrective actions while validating process changes.
- Perform process and quality auditing as well as process improvements.
- Generate FMEAs and control plans.
- Work with the purchasing and supplier plant management organizations to achieve goals.

**EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE:**

- Four year engineering degree required; Mechanical preferred.
- Minimum of three (3) years in Supplier Quality.
- Experience with process auditing.
- Knowledge QS-9000, TS-16949, SPC, fixture design, FMEA, PPAP, control plans, and root cause analysis.
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**Behr Heat Transfer Systems, Inc.**  
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**Recertification Contact**

Here is the link to the ASQ website for recertification: <http://www.asq.org/cert/recert/rucredits/index.html>

and for future exam dates: <http://www.asq.org/certification/dates.html>

or you can call: 1-800-248-1946

If you have any other questions, you can also contact our Certification Coordinator for Section 1122.

Recertification packets should be mailed to:

DAVID VATH  
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Charleston, SC 29414  
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| Reliability Engineer          | August 17, 2007              | October 20, 2007 | Quality Improvement Associate                | October 5, 2007              | December 1, 2007 |
| Six Sigma Black Belt          | August 17, 2007              | October 20, 2007 | Quality Process Analyst                      | October 5, 2007              | December 1, 2007 |
| Six Sigma Green Belt          | October 5, 2007              | December 1, 2007 | Quality Inspector                            | August 17, 2007              | October 20, 2007 |
| Software Reality Engineer     | October 5, 2007              | December 1, 2007 | Manager of Quality Organizational Excellence | August 17, 2007              | October 20, 2007 |
| Quality Technician            | August 17, 2007              | October 20, 2007 | HACCP Auditor                                | August 17, 2007              | October 20, 2007 |
| Quality Auditor               | October 5, 2007              | December 1, 2007 | Calibration Technician                       | October 5, 2007              | December 1, 2007 |
| Quality Engineer              | October 5, 2007              | December 1, 2007 | Biomedical Auditor                           | August 17, 2007              | October 20, 2007 |

***DON'T FORGET TO RE-CERTIFY!!!!!!***

**Board Opportunities to Support Section 1122**

Our section currently has two open board positions, **Secretary Chair and Program Chair**. It is important that we fill these key positions quickly so that our annual planning can continue focusing on another successful year.

Please let us know if you are interested in serving in either of these roles for fiscal year 2007, July 07 – June 08.

Becoming a section member chair is a great way to get involved with the section. As a chair volunteer, you can enhance your leadership skills, increase your visibility in the quality community, and publicly develop and support the quality movement. You will support the section event planning and participate in monthly board meetings. Both the monthly dinner meetings and board meetings are open doors for networking with others in local industry. Recertification points are also allowed for participating at the section board level.

**Please contact the section at [board@asq1122.org](mailto:board@asq1122.org) if you would like to help in these positions or if you are interested and just have questions. We are anxious to share the details of these positions with you. Thanks for you support.**

**CAROLINA LOWCOUNTRY ASQ SECTION 1122**  
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**2006 - 2007**

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