



**January Joint Meeting with APICS
Plant Tour – TREX Company
Winchester, Virginia
Wednesday, January 18th, 2012**

Mark your calendar! 5:30pm Registration, 6:00pm Tour. A boxed meal will be provided for \$10. Additional information is included at the end of the newsletter. Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, January 13th.

February Dinner Meeting

***International Team Excellence Award
by Ray Emery, Achieve LLC***

ASQ's International Team Excellence Award is the only international team recognition process of its kind in the United States. Since 1985, more than 950 teams from around the world have participated in this outstanding process.

Our speaker will be Mr. Ray Emery, President and CEO of Achieve LLC, a performance excellence consulting business in Northern Virginia. Ray served on Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award (MBNQA) Board of Examiners in 2001 and served as a Senior Examiner in 2002-2006. He recently completed the third year of a Secretary of Commerce appointment to the MBNQA Panel of Judges. Ray served as a facilitator/trainer for the MBNQA Board of Examiners 2004-2011 and has also served as a lead examiner for the President's Quality Award, the Sprint Chairman's Quality Award, the Secretary of the Air Force Unit Quality Award, and as a Judge for the Department of the Army Communities of Excellence Award. Ray is currently a National Judge for the American Society for Quality (ASQ) International Team Excellence Award and is a former Chairman of the award's Oversight Committee. Ray recently spearheaded the development of ASQ's Education Team Excellence Award Criteria and supporting training and award process management materials.

Registration information will be included in next month's newsletter.

**Upcoming ASQ NSV Section 1131
Meetings**

Mark Your Calendar!

- February 20th International Team Excellence Award, Ray Emery, Achieve LLC
- March 19th Kraft Foods Winchester Lean Six Sigma, Dee Gibbs & Election Night
- April 16th Volvo Powertrain North America Tour, Hagerstown MD


Three Day PMP® Exam Preparation

Presented by: ASQ Baltimore Section 0502 and ATEM Group

The PMP® exam is the premiere credential of project management, and has been earned by over 350,000 professionals over the past 25 years. With the meteoric growth of project management as a profession, more and more organizations are recognizing the need to ensure their professionals not only have the credential, but also have the skills essential to implement project management consistently. This course, in the three day format is the key to that professional door.

The course is structured against the nine knowledge areas of the PMBOK Guide®. The 3 day course is an intense in-depth review of the curriculum, designed for enabling you to pass the PMP exam on the first attempt.

Date: 13-15 January 2012 (Friday – Sunday)
Time: 8:30am to 5:30pm
Location: Hampton Inn (Arundel Mills)
Cost: \$899 for ASQ Baltimore members (\$1299 for others)
Registration: <http://theatemgroup.com/courses.html>
Any questions, please contact info@asqbaltimore.org

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2012 ASQ World Conference on Quality & Improvement May 21-23, Anaheim, CA

2012 WCQI Registration is Available Now - Register Today!

With more than 100 sessions to choose from World Conference on Quality and Improvement 2012 will be the best event of the year to sharpen your quality and continuous improvement skills.

WCQI 2012 not only gives you the opportunity to learn from concurrent sessions, workshops, keynote speakers, and networking, but you can also attend the conference to take advantage of the on-site ASQ training opportunities.

You may register for the conference, any of the ASQ courses being held at the conference, or sign up to take your ASQ certification exam. The NEW Society of Manufacturing Engineer's Lean Certification exam is being offered at WCQI 2012.

Here is a listing of the pre-conference courses available as an add-on to your WCQI registration (starting May 18th):

- **Root Cause Analysis**
- **SPC Implementation**
- **16-Hour ISO 9001:2008 Lead Auditor Training (RABQSA Certified)**
- **Lean Enterprise**
- **Cost of Quality: Finance for Continuous Improvement**

ASQ Exam Application Deadline is April 6, 2012. For additional details and registration, please visit <http://wcqi.asq.org/>

2013 ASQ Slate of Candidates

The ASQ Nominating Committee has announced the 2013 candidates for the positions of ASQ chair-elect, treasurer, and two directors – also listed are the chair and past-chair who were previously approved.

Chair: John C. Timmerman, Vice President, Global Guest Experience and Rooms Operations Marriott International, Inc., Maryland, U.S.A.

Past Chair: James J. (Jim) Rooney, Director, Department of Energy Programs; Director, Quality Management and Lean Six Sigma Services ABS Consulting, Global Government Division, Tennessee, U.S.A.

Chair-elect: Stephen K. Hacker, CEO and Co-Founder Transformation Systems International, LLC, Oregon, U.S.A.

Treasurer: Chava Scher, Vice President Quality RAFAEL - Advanced Defense Systems, Haifa, ISRAEL

Director: Alejandra Vicenttin, Director of Hotel Operations L'auberge – du lac Casino Resort, Louisiana, U.S.A.

Director: Bharat Wakhlu, Resident Director for Public Affairs Tata Services, Ltd., New Delhi, INDIA

These candidates will be officially announced and ratified at the Annual Business Meeting on May 20, 2012, at the World Conference on Quality and Improvement in Anaheim, California, unless a nomination by petition is received by ASQ's secretary by February 10, 2012.

Leadership Opportunities

In March, we will be electing our 2012-2013 ASQ NSV Section 1131 officers. The term year is July 1 – June 30. If you are interested in joining our Board of Directors in an elected volunteer capacity, please contact Josh Tinelli at joshua.tinelli@volvo.com:

- Chair-Elect – 2-year commitment, one year as Chair-Elect, the following as Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer

We welcome anyone who is interested in serving on the Board whether or not in an elected position. If you are interested in volunteering but do not wish to serve in an elected position, please contact Josh.

Position descriptions are available on the ASQ website at <http://asq.org/member-leader-community/positions/index.html>, and will be featured in next month's newsletter.



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Join the NSV ASQ Section on Facebook

The NSV ASQ Section is on Facebook!
To register, click here:



If you are already a member of Facebook, add ASQ – Northern Shenandoah Valley Section 1131.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!!!!



We welcome the following new members to the ASQ Northern Shenandoah Valley Section 1131:

Ashley Thomas, CGI Federal, Dumfries VA
Ron Hileman, Curry Supply, Curryville PA

Recertification Reminder: If your ASQ certification expires in June, don't forget to submit your recertification journal to Richard Phillips. It is due by 30 June, but you have a 6 month grace period, if needed.

Member Reminder: If you have moved or changed your email address, please update your profile with ASQ on the member website. The Northern Shenandoah Valley ASQ Section receives contact information from National HQ and uses it to distribute announcements and the link to this newsletter.



Let's keep "U" in "Quality"!

Local Meetings

ASQ Section 0502 (Baltimore MD): Thur, Jan 19th,
Topic: Tools for Economic Decision Making
Speaker: John Weisz **Location:** Richlin – Belair/Edgewood **Time:** 5:15pm Registration; 5:30-6:00pm Networking; 6-6:45pm Tutorial; 6:45-7:30pm Dinner; 7:30-8:30pm Presentation **Cost:** \$20 (\$30 non-members). To make a reservation, visit <http://asqbaltimore.org/events/event-reservations/>

ASQ Section 0503 (Harrisburg PA): Wed, Jan 11th,
Topic: Sustainability in Business and Construction Today **Speaker:** William J. Sutton II, LEED® AP, Wohlsen Construction Company **Location:** Harrisburg, PA **Time:** 6:00 – 6:30pm Registration; 6:30 – 7:15pm Dinner and Presentation; 7:15 – 9:00pm Presentation **Cost:** \$20 (\$25 non-members). **At the Door:** \$25 (\$30 non-members) To make a reservation, contact Fred Hammond at fhammo@gmail.com or fax 717-381-3256.

ASQ Section 0511 (Northern VA): Wed, Jan 18th,
Topic: TBA; **Location:** Amphora Restaurant, Herndon VA; **Time:** 6:30 – 7:00pm Registration & Networking; 7:00-9:00pm Presentation **Cost:** TBA To make a reservation, please email arrangements12@asq0511.org

ASQ Section 0802 (Pittsburgh PA): Thur, Jan 12th,
Topic: Calibration – Past and Present **Speaker:** George Urban **Location:** Cranberry Campus of Westinghouse Electric Company **Time:** 5:30 – 6:00pm Registration & Networking; 6:00-6:45pm Dinner; 6:45pm - Presentation **Cost:** \$10 dinner & program (members; \$20 non-members); program only No Cost. Reservation and advanced credit card payment via ESWP at 412-261-4300 or email m.gaetano@eswp.com

ASQ Section 0805 (Youngstown-Warren OH): Mon, Jan 9th, **Topic:** Resume writing for the experienced professional & Interviewing tips **Speaker:** Pat Ciferno **Location:** Kent State University Trumbell, Workforce Dev,Bldg Room 211, Warren OH **Time:** 5:30pm Sign-In & PreTechnical; 6:00-6:15 Dinner; 6:15-7:15pm – Main Presentation **Cost:** \$6 dinner & program; program only No Cost. To make a reservation, please contact Marie DeBelko at 330-675-8811 or email mdabelko@kent.edu



ASQ Section 1104 (Richmond): Tue, Jan 10th,
Topic: Using Basic Statistics **Speaker:** Douglas
Burton **Location:** Vietnam Garden, W Broad St.
Time: 5:30pm Social; 6:00pm Dinner; 7:00pm
Speaker; **Cost:** \$20 member (\$25 non-member); To
make a reservation, please email
Luisa.S.White@altria.com or call 804-335-2452

ASQ Section 1108 (Blue Ridge): Thur, Jan 12th,
Topic: TPM Presentation **Speaker:** Riley Murray
Location: Waynesboro, VA **Time:** 6:00pm Social,
6:30pm Dinner, 7:00pm Presentation **Cost:** \$5
dinner & presentation
To make a reservation, please go to
<http://www.eventbrite.com/event/2644023345>

**Virginia Regional Chamber of Commerce
(Winchester):** Fri, Jan 27th
Topic: 94th Membership Meeting & Regional Greater
Good Awards **Speaker:** Nick Nerangis
Time: 5:30 – 9:00pm **Location:** Millwood Station
Special Events Center, 252 Costello Dr., Winchester
VA **Cost:** \$65 member (\$80 non-member) through
Jan 19th; \$10 late fee add-on thereafter.
www.regionalchamber.biz

Upcoming National Conferences

**ASQ (FD&C) Northeast Pharmaceutical GMP
Conference,** January 19, 2012, Somerset NJ

**20th Annual International Conference on ISO
9000 & QMS,** February 26-28 2012, Orlando FL

2012 Lean and Six Sigma Conference, February
27-28 2012, Phoenix AZ

**20th Annual Conference on Quality in the Space
and Defense Industries,** Mar 19-20, 2012, Cape
Canaveral FL

World Conference on Quality and Improvement,
May 21-23 2012, Anaheim CA

For more information, go to ASQ's website at
www.asq.org and select Conferences.

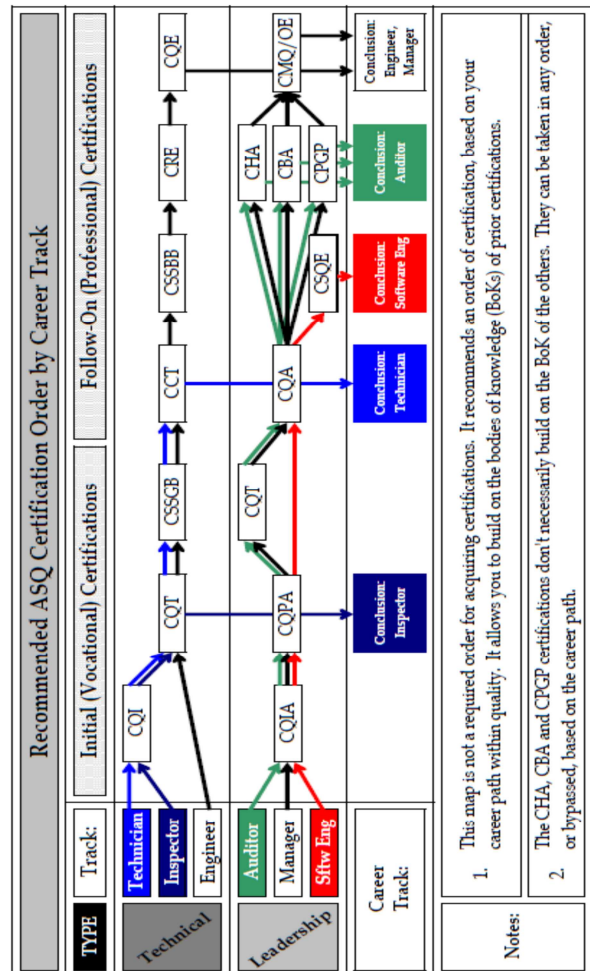
Upcoming Certification Exams

Certification Exams in December

Take the following Certification Exams on March 3,
2012:

- Biomedical Auditor
- HACCP Auditor
- Manager of Quality/Organizational
Excellence
- Master Black Belt
- Quality Inspector
- Quality Technician
- Reliability Engineer
- SS Black Belt

Application Deadline: January 13, 2012 (\$50 late
deadline January 18, 2012)





Training at Your Fingertips

ASQ Learning Institute offers a multitude of training opportunities in several formats, including web-based and onsite events. Here are a few topics being offered:

- Service Excellence Through Quality Practices
- Consultant's Boot Camp
- SPC Comprehensive
- Root Cause Analysis: Solve Problems by Eliminating Causes

NSV Section Officers

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		Charles Ernst	

January 2012 Meeting

Trex Company Plant Tour

Wednesday, January 18th, 2012

Registration: 5:30 – 6:00

Tour: 6:00pm

Cost: \$3 (finger foods & drinks)

Meeting Location:

Trex Company

3229 Shawnee Drive

Winchester, VA 22602

To register, go to: <http://asq1131.eventbrite.com>

Meeting registration by 12 noon on Friday, January 13th.