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Greetings, Friends in Quality!

What a wonderful time of year! I hope you, your families and friends had an excellent Thanksgiving. We all have so much to be thankful for. I know those of us involved in the Section Leadership Committee are particularly grateful to those of you who take the time to participate in Section activities, to share your expertise and the spirit of inquiry with your fellow members. We are also thankful for the generosity of those who take the time to present at our Section meetings and conferences; to those who arrange our Section activities and to those who provide education and professional development opportunities to our members. In an increasingly hectic world, the gift of time and the sharing of wisdom represent a greater and greater sacrifice. **Thank you to all who give of your time and of yourselves.**

We have a special opportunity coming up this month – our annual facility tour, this year presented by Greg Vincent of Partners in Plastics, Inc. **Partners in Plastics** is an ISO 9001:2000 and UL registered custom blow molder, located in Sharon Center (just north of Wadsworth). Partners in Plastics is strategically positioned to service OEM's and their distribution channels throughout the Midwest, with outstanding capabilities, modern facilities, state of the art machinery and personnel with over 100 years combined experience in the field of custom blow molding. We thank Mr. Vincent and his staff for entertaining our Section on **Thursday night, December 13**. You can register for this event by e-mailing me at ASQ.Akron.Canton@gmail.com. Attendance is limited to 30, so do register early! You'll find our **Winter Education Program** in this month's edition of the Tally Sheet. Take a look at the opportunities the program provides to broaden your horizons.

With that, I join the members of your Section Leadership Committee to extend our wishes that the upcoming holiday season will be one of peace and joy for all.

Mary L. Schultz – Section Chair

Facility Tour : Partners in Plastics, Inc. : Thursday, December 13, 2007

The annual facility tour will take place on Thursday, December 13, at **Partners in Plastics, Inc.**, located at **1468 Wolf Creek Trail in Sharon Center, Ohio**. Partners in Plastics is an ISO 9001:2000 and UL registered **custom blow molder**. Partners in Plastics is strategically positioned to service OEM's and their distribution channels throughout the Midwest, with outstanding capabilities, modern facilities, state of the art machinery, and personnel with over 100 years combined experience in the field of custom blow molding. This is sure to be an interesting evening!

Attendance at this event is limited to 30 people, so reserve a spot for yourself as soon as you can. You can register by e-mail at ASQ.Akron.Canton@gmail.com. The tour will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. Driving directions will be provided to those registered on 12/07/2007.

National and Regional Director Election Process Under Way

On November 1st, Division and Section Chairs received an e-mail, with directions for submitting nominations for ASQ Director positions. The nominations are to fill three open "National Director" positions (representing Divisions of the Society), and seven open "Regional Director" positions (representing Regions 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 of the Society, including the Akron-Canton Section). Nominations will be accepted through December 31, 2007.

The Akron-Canton Section Education Program : Winter/Spring-2008 Offerings

Course Start Date	Course Number	Course Description	Duration (weeks)	Class Hours	RUs	Course Timeframe	Course Fee *	Application Deadline	Examination Dates
Jan-07	460	Cert Mgr of Qual/Org Excellence Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Jan-11	Mar-01
Jan-07	345	Certified Quality Inspector Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Jan-11	Mar-01
Jan-08	355	Certified Quality Technician Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Jan-11	Mar-01
Jan-08	480	Certified Six-Sigma Black Belt Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Jan-11	Mar-01
Mar-31	445	Certified Calibration Technician Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Apr-04	Jun-07
Apr-01	405	Certified Quality Auditor Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Apr-04	Jun-07
Apr-02	400	Certified Quality Engineer Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Apr-04	Jun-07
Apr-07	370	Certified Qual Improvement Assoc Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Apr-04	Jun-07
Apr-08	478	Certified Six-Sigma Green Belt Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Apr-04	Jun-07
Apr-09	410	Cert Software Quality Engineer Refresher	8	24	2.4	6:00-9:00PM	\$405/\$445	Apr-04	Jun-07
**	111C	Basic Quality Control (correspondence)	10	20	2.0	N/A	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
**	211C	Intermediate Qual Control (correspondence)	10	20	2.0	N/A	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
***	255	Geometric Dimensioning & Tolerancing	8	20	2.0	6:00-8:30PM	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
***	310	Lean Manufacturing & Value Stream Mapping	8	20	2.0	6:00-8:30PM	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
***	471	AIAG APQP - 2nd Edition	8	16	1.6	6:00-8:00PM	\$345/\$390	N/A	N/A
***	472	AIAG PPAP - 4th Edition	Saturday	8	0.8	8:00AM-5:00PM	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
***	301	AIAG SPC - 3rd Edition	Saturday	8	0.8	8:00AM-5:00PM	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
***	473	AIAG FMEA - 4th Edition	Saturday	8	0.8	8:00AM-5:00PM	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
***	265	AIAG MSA - 3rd Edition	2-Saturdays	16	1.6	8:00AM-5:00PM	\$445/\$485	N/A	N/A
***	501	Introduction To Minitab 15	Saturday	8	0.8	8:00AM-5:00PM	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A
***	095	Shop Mathematics Using Excel	Saturday	8	0.8	8:00AM-5:00PM	\$365/\$405	N/A	N/A

* Member / non-Member Fee.

** Student Determines Start Date.

*** Courses To Be Offered As Soon As (5) Or More Students Sign Up, And An Instructor Is Available.

Visit www.asq810.org Education Program web page for other information, including the course Registration Form. The web page includes the complete Akron-Canton ASQ Curriculum that lists other courses offered, if enough students are interested. The page is updated if changes occur.

Contact the Education Chair, Richard Mautz (ASQ CQA), at either dickmautz@sssnet.com or 330-837-3878 if there are any questions about course offerings.

From The Education Committee Chair ...

“We need one more student to be near the cost breakeven point, to conduct a GD&T class that can be scheduled to begin as soon as possible.”

ASQ Launches Lean Six-Sigma Black Belt For Healthcare Course

ASQ has introduced a new “blended-format” course on **Lean Six-Sigma Black Belt for Healthcare**. It is the first ASQ course to include **real-time instructor-led virtual and face-to-face sessions**, and self-paced Web-based training with audiocasts and coaching. The classroom component will take place at ASQ headquarters in Milwaukee. The **five-month session** will provide participants with the skills to improve delivery of care while, at the same time, reducing costs throughout the healthcare facility. More information is available on the [ASQ Web site](#).

Become a Baldrige Examiner

Each year, the **Baldrige Award Program** recruits individuals to serve as Baldrige Examiners. For more information, or to apply to be a Baldrige Examiner, please visit the [Baldrige National Quality Program Web site](#). The **deadline to apply is January 8, 2008**. Please pass this information along to anyone who may be interested. Don't miss the opportunity to contribute to the **national effort to recognize and promote performance excellence**.

Membership ‘Trivia’, Region-8 [as of November 01, 2007]

Member Classification	Akron-Canton Section	Top Region-8 Section	Region-8 Total
Forum	0	1 (tie, 4 Sections)	4
Student	1	25 (Columbus)	65
Associate	7	12 (Cleveland)	40
Regular	283	402 (Pittsburgh)	1968
Senior	202	322 (Pittsburgh)	1396
Fellow	5	6 (Columbus)	17



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ASQ Akron/Canton New Members

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John Bennington	Diebold Company
Russell F Folger	The Timken Company
John K Frazier Jr	JLG Industries
Michael D Huntsman	Midlake Products & Mfg
Stan Kawskey	Parker Hannifin
Michael J Mascali	AMRESKO

No December Technical Clinic
Or Dinner Meeting

The monthly Section activity for December will feature a **facility tour of Partners in Plastics, Incorporated**. There will be no Technical Clinic or Dinner Meeting in December.

See page-1 for details about the upcoming tour. Then, plan on joining the Section on January 17, 2008, for its Technical Clinic (**Lean Business Processes**) and Dinner Meeting (**Project Management for the Quality Professional**).

Akron-Canton Section Recognized For
2007-2008 SMP Achievements

ASQ-HQ has recognized (132) Sections that have met **Level-I (Section Basics) Requirements**, and (85) Sections that have met **Level-II (Business Planning) Requirements** for the 2007-2008 Section Management Process (SMP). SMP is a section “management model”, developed to assist Sections in their planning and implementation of services and programs that will meet the needs of current and future Members. The Akron-Canton Section has met the requirements for both Level-I and Level-II. Sections meeting these two Levels are eligible for future recognition in the Section Performance Level (the Section Total Quality and/or Section Excellence Awards).

