



February Meeting: Resume Writing, Interviewing and Re-employment Tips

The February 18th Northern Shenandoah Valley ASQ meeting will focus on critical skills needed to find a new job: resume writing and interviewing. Our speaker will be Samantha Greenfield, reemployment specialist with the Virginia Employment Commission, Winchester. Samantha specializes in teaching job seekers to market themselves in today's competitive job market and offers job seekers guidance on their journey to re-employment.

Samantha is known as a subject matter expert in resume writing, having reviewed over 430 resumes in 2011 alone! She also facilitates many free community re-employment workshops and publishes a Job Tips blog for the Northern Virginia Daily. Come join us for an interesting presentation and tour! Registration information located at the end of the newsletter.

Spring Meeting Schedule

Mark these dates on your calendar!

March 18, Election Night and "Quality Tools" by Jerry Clarke, Lean Quality Associates, LLC; Section Elections

April 15, TBD

If you have any suggestions or leads for a topic you would like to see, please contact Dale Brown at dalebrown@yahoo.com

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.

Develop Your Leadership Skills!

The Nominating Committee of the Northern Shenandoah Valley ASQ Section 1131 is looking for a few good men and women to lead the Section in 2014. A list of the positions and a brief description of responsibilities and expectations is given below. The term for each role is Jan 1-Dec 31, 2014. Elections for these positions will be held at the March 18th Section meeting.

Chair-Elect

The Chair-Elect is elected in the year preceding his or her term as Chair and is expected to develop strategic direction while preparing for the next year. This is a two-year commitment; 1 year as chair-elect and the following as Chair

Treasurer

Oversee section funds; maintain accurate section financial records; and report on the financial condition of the section at times directed by the bylaws and policies and procedures.

Secretary

Document section business, maintain records of the section and serve as the official correspondent of the section.

Several other committee positions are also available. If you are interested in volunteering but may not be interested in one of those listed above, please contact the Nominating Chair and he will forward the additional information. Please respond as soon as possible, preferably by **Monday, March 4th**.

Josh Tinelli

Past Chair/Nominating Chair

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!!!!



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

Mark Chandler, Specialty Granules Inc., Hagerstown



ASQ Pittsburgh Spring Conference Quality Improvement Strategies 2013

Call for Papers April 12th, 2013 at the
Regional Learning Alliance Center in
Cranberry, PA.

The ASQ Pittsburgh Section is planning a Spring Quality Conference on April 12, 2013, tentatively to be held at the Regional Learning Alliance Center in Cranberry, PA . We would like to invite potential speakers to submit a brief abstract for consideration to be included in the conference. The conference will focus on Quality Improvement Strategies that help organizations to successfully implement Quality Management Systems and continuous Improvement Initiatives.

Please consider submitting a paper, if you have a topic regarding managing and improving organizational quality efforts. If you would be interested in speaking at the conference and sharing your knowledge, experience with other Quality Professionals, submit an Abstract. Your submission should include your name, your title, your organization, title of your presentation or subject, and no more than several paragraphs outlining your presentation.

Some suggested topics would include:

- Use of Quality Tools
- Improvement of Quality Strategies
- Quality Management in Health Care
- Leadership Driving Results

SUBMIT TO: Hank Sobah, hank.sobah@gmail.com

Submissions will be accepted until November 30th from either an individual or group, however once enough approved presentations are accepted the remainder of submissions will be considered for Alternate/Backup.

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"!

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:

- Management of Supply and Demand
- Failure Mode & Effects Analysis (FMEA)
- SPC Comprehensive
- Root Cause Analysis: Solve Problems by Eliminating Causes

Upcoming Certification Exams

Invest in your career and your future with an ASQ certification exam. Certification is a mark of excellence. It demonstrates that the certified individual has the knowledge to assure quality of products and services.

The following ASQ exams will be held June 1, 2013. To apply, go to www.asq.org/certification/apply.html.
Applications are due April 12, 2013.

- Calibration Technician
- Certified Pharmaceutical GMP Professional
- Quality Engineer
- Quality Improvement Associate
- Quality Process Analyst
- Six Sigma Green Belt
- Software Quality Engineer



Proctors Needed

Proctors are needed for the ASQ certification exams held June 1, 2013. Proctors must hold at least one ASQ certification. Proctors will earn 0.5 RUs toward recertification. If interested, please contact Firoz Kabir, Chair, via email at firkabir@gmail.com

Local Meetings

ASQ Section 0502 (Baltimore): Tue, Mar 12 **Topic:** TBA **Speaker:** TBA
Location: TBA **Time:** 5:15 – 6:45pm Registration; 5:45 – 6:15pm Dinner and Networking; 6:15 – 8:30pm Presentation **Cost:** TBA To make a reservation, go to <http://asqbaltimore.org/events/event-reservations/>

ASQ Section 0503 (Harrisburg PA): Wed, Feb 13th, **Topic:** The 8 Dimensions of Leadership **Speaker:** Rick & Susan Stamm **Location:** Heritage Hills Golf Resort, York, PA **Time:** 6:00 – 6:30pm Registration; 6:30 – 7:15pm Dinner and Presentation; 7:15 – 9:00pm Presentation **Cost:** \$25 To make a reservation, contact Fred Hammond at fhammo@gmail.com or fax 717-381-3256

ASQ Section 0511 (Northern VA): Wed, Feb 20th, **Topic:** Quality Management vs Project Management **Speaker:** Kathleen Eaves, CQM & PMP, Noblis **Location:** Herndon Amphora, VA; **Time:** 5:30pm Monthly Business Meeting, 6:30pm Registration & Networking; 7:00pm Dinner; 8:00 Section Business & Presentation **Cost:** \$30 by deadline, \$35 otherwise To make a reservation, please email arrangements13@asq0511.org

ASQ Section 0802 (Pittsburgh PA): Thu, Feb 21st, **Topic:** An Introduction to Engineering Process Control **Speaker:** Dave Kitska **Location:** Sigma Conference Center, 1717 Babcock Blvd. **Time:** 5:30pm-8pm **Cost:** \$25 Dinner & Program; \$10 Program only (onsite or webinar) Reservation and advanced credit card payment via ESWP at 412-261-4300 or email m.gaetano@eswp.com

ASQ Section 1104 (Richmond): Mon, Feb 18th, **Topic:** Nabisco Tour **Speaker:** n/a **Location:** Nabsico **Time:** 6pm-8pm **Cost:** \$20 member (\$25

non-member); To make a reservation, <http://asqrichmondsep2012.eventbrite.com/>

Virginia Regional Chamber of Commerce (Winchester): Tue, Mar 26th, **Topic:** The Leadership Lunch – Life Lessons on Success **Speaker:** Frank Phillips, President & CEO Golden Seal Enterprises **Time:** 11:30am-1:30pm **Location:** Winchester VA **Cost:** \$25 pre-registered members; \$35 at door; \$45 non-members www.regionalchamber.biz

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February 2013 Meeting

“Resume Writing, Interviewing and Re-employment Tips”

Monday, February 18, 2013

5:30pm Registration

6:00pm Dinner

7:00pm Presentation

Cost: meal ordered from menu

Meeting Location:

Historic Gateway Holiday Inn

522 South

Winchester, VA 22602

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

Meeting registration by close of business on Friday, February 15th.