



The Lighthouse

April 2006
Elyria/Lorain Section 814
Mission Statement

To advance community and member quality excellence through educational opportunities, non-competitive information exchange, networking, forming alliances and leadership growth



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April 12th Meeting

WHAT: Tour of J Christ Winery



WHAT: Election of Section officers

WHEN: Wednesday, 12th April 2006
at 6:00 PM

WHERE:

John Christ Winery
32421 Walker Road
Avon Lake, Ohio 44012

Since 1946, John Christ has been dedicated to the production of fine-quality wine. The wines are produced and bottled on the premises, and the winemaker prides himself on making great wines to enhance the enjoyment of life among friends and family. Offering award-winning American varietals and hybrid as well as Gold medal European varietals

MAP:

Hold down ctrl and click the link below <http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&q=32421+Walker+Road,+44012&ll=41.492892,-82.004013&spn=0.035295,0.105057>

Check out the Section's Web Site
See all the latest changes
www.eriecoast.com/~asq0814

The Section has achieved SMP Gold Excellence Award for 2004-05



We did it!. Top Honors !!!!! There were only 39 Sections in the world that achieved this! (Obviously we met Silver and Gold requirements, also). I am personally so proud of the effort you all put in to make this happen. - Marc Kelemen

Chair's Message

Election of Section 814 Officers for 2006-2007 will take place on Wednesday, 12 April 2006.

Back in October 2005, our Section was awarded The Section Management Process (SMP) Total Quality Award. Total Quality is one the highest levels of achievement in SMP for the 2004-05 fiscal year. Sections that reached Total Quality proved their dedication and commitment by developing a business plan that provides valuable, quality programs and services to their members and achieving at least 75 percent of these set objectives. I was just informed by the Jeanette Cooke (our ASQ National Community Care Administrator) and Clay Hodges (ASQ Section Affairs Council Chair) that our Section was recognized with the Gold Mark of Excellence Award! We can all be very proud of this as only 39 ASQ Sections in the world were so recognized!

ASQ Section 814's Focus on LEAN

As our membership and their organizations progress along the LEAN journey, we become increasingly adept to relentlessly ADD VALUE whenever the opportunity arises! As we proposed last April, Elyria Lorain continues to feature Practical Applications of LEAN this program year. This program will require the active participation of Section 814's membership. We will get out of it what we put into it !! Those interested in helping to lead discussions and exercises on specific LEAN applications should PLEASE continue to contact the Executive Committee to schedule your participation. !

To kick this off, we started the program year in September with a game that gave participants a working familiarity with the terms and approaches to LEAN as well as a hands-on appreciation for applying lean to a manufacturing environment. We were able to increase productivity by > 250% while reducing floor space required by >40% and direct labor by >15%. A Lego-Lean "equipment" and License is owned by ASQ Section 814. Contact the Executive Committee to rent the "equipment" and/or engage Facilitators for your businesses and departments.

In the past quarter we discussed how to apply lean thinking to product and process development as well as how specific LEAN tools were successfully applied at PresRite. We also enjoyed a debrief of the Seattle World Quality Congress and the Milwaukee ASQ

Member Value Summit. This included previewing the "café techniques" used in Milwaukee as well as a practical application of Café techniques in January which featured ASQ's National Treasurer, Connie Faylor.

February was the most challenging weather of the year. Nevertheless, the brave attendees enjoyed a Michael Haessly double feature on *Developing Quality Systems from the Top Down* as well as *Marketing Yourself To Future Employees*.

Theater Tickets

"Dream A Little Dream" (The story of the Mamas and the Papa's by Denny Doherty) will be our third night (Thursday, 13 April 2006). Tickets are available NOW. The price is \$10 (\$5.00 for students and Seniors 55+). Call me (Marc) for reservations.

ASQ National's Economic Case for Quality Initiative

A new activity has been launched by ASQ national to address member concerns about quality, and its perception on the bottom line of organizations. The objective of this strategic initiative is to expand and enhance the reputation of quality and the quality profession by promoting the Economic Case for Quality to local executives. Elyria-Lorain Section 814 is one of about 20 ASQ Sections in the US and Canada that made a commitment to participate. If you have an interest in learning more and / or participating, please contact any member of our Section's ECQ team: Tom Copeland, Mike Haessly, Marc Kelemen or Kim Shumyla.

Yours in Quality and Innovation,
Marc Kelemen, CQM, CQA
ASQ Section 814 Chair

CERTIFICATION CLASS CALENDAR

CQE and CQA classes for this quarter have been canceled unfortunately due to a lack of a sufficient number of students

**Classes are always offered in conjunction with the certification and require a minimum of 6 students.
If less than 6 students register for a class it may be canceled.**

Exam Date		June 3, 2006	October 21, 2006	December 2, 2006
Registration Date		April 7, 2006	August 18, 2006	October 6, 2006
CBA	Biomedical Auditor Certification		XXXXXXXXXX	
CCT	Calibration Technician Certification	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
CHA	HACCP Auditor Certification-		XXXXXXXXXX	
CMI	Mechanical Inspector Certification		XXXXXXXXXX	
CMQ/OE	Quality Manager Certification		XXXXXXXXXX	
CQA	Quality Auditor Certification	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
CQE	Quality Engineer Certification	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
CQIA	Quality Improvement Associate Certification	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
CQPA	Quality Process Analyst Certification	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
CQT	Quality Technician Certification		XXXXXXXXXX	
CRE	Reliability Engineer Certification		XXXXXXXXXX	
CSQE	Software Quality Engineer Certification	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
CSSBB	Six Sigma Black Belt Certification		XXXXXXXXXX	

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