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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Well, Illiana just had its final Dinner Meeting last night at Glenwood Oaks Restaurant. 36 Members showed up for an evening full of educational input that may prompt members to continue on with their learning curve.

The guest speaker was Dan Lowery, Ph.D. representing St. Josephs Calumet College in Whiting, Indiana.

Dan started the Pre Dinner session with information about St. Josephs College and what it was offering in the new Masters Program. Traditionally St. Josephs was a 4 year undergraduate institution offering the traditional business curriculum but is now offering Masters Programs. Informational booklets were passed out and Dan gave his initial information on the undergraduate degrees.

Following dinner Dan followed with the Master of Science in Quality Assurance: Quality Leadership Program. The Masters Program is a two year 36 credit hour curriculum. The tuition rate for 2006 is \$535.00 per semester hour. While this tuition rate is understandably high grants and supports from employers and government institutions is possible.

Dr. Lowery goes on to cite Industry Focus studies involving Manufacturing, Health Care and the Service Sectors, Government and Education as potentials for employment in the future after graduation. The statistics for Northern Indiana and the region around Chicago bode well for the MSQA (Master of Science in Quality Assurance) graduate in seeking a job in this region. The Market needs analysis consists of four parts: (A) market identification, (B) a demographic assessment, (C) an industry assessment, and (D) a competitive analysis. It looks as if the Quality Leadership Program can be something we can all think about. Dr. Lowery distributed cards asking for general information which can be forwarded to him and his staff for evaluation and follow-up.

I graduated from St. Josephs Calumet College in 1972 with a B.S. Cum Laude in Business and eventually obtained my Master Degree from Governor State University in 1976. I highly recommend visiting Calumet College and check out their programs for those considering higher education.

As I stated in my "Special Message" this is my final term as Chair for Illiana and would hope that a Chair can be appointed by the start of the 2006/2007 Session in September. The Illiana Board information will be updated at the end of June 2006. If there is any additional information between now and September we will get to you by Email.

Hope to see all of you in September.

Cordially,

Charles M. Schmidt – Chair, ASQ Illiana Section 1213

A Special Message

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If you have any comments
or questions, please feel
free to contact your
Board Members or ASQ.

Illiana has just wrapped up its Meeting Agenda for the 2005/2006 session.

It has been a great year for Illiana as we have had great success in member turnout. We just had a great meeting on Tuesday, May 22nd at Glenwood Oaks Restaurant, I'll include details in my "Message From The Chair".

I will be at the end of my second term as Chair for Illiana and it has certainly been one that I have totally enjoyed. As a volunteer official for Illiana I, along with other members of the Illiana Board have had an excellent year for good attendance, excellent programs and just plain making it happen. When I say volunteer I mean just that because each Board member gives his/her time in assuring that Illiana has good programs and the membership realizes the effort through their attendance, There are new Board members and of course the veterans who have given their all in being successful and as this session comes to an end I want to thank Pam Hale who has given Illiana 4 years as the Program Chair and has been outstanding; we will miss her in the Program Chair position. Larry Sprengel has been the Illiana Treasurer for 4 years and has more that ably controlled the purse strings as can be attested by our healthy fiscal showing. Larry also serves as Co-Chair Proctor so look for him when you take that next certification test at the local colleges. You can be assured that as Chair I valued the commitment of these two individuals with the highest values. Just as important are the other positions on the Illiana Board and they are Mike Boothe who did a great job as our Newsletter Editor and website Data Base Coordinator; Mike will be available for other duties in the months to come. Bill Blackmon has assumed the duties of Newsletter Editor and we will be looking for great things from his future efforts. Mike Orr has held down the position of the Membership Chair and continues to greet new members into the Illiana organization through his personal calls and letters welcoming them to enjoy the offerings of Illiana programs, Q (Quenten) Tracy Sims has taken over as Treasurer and is no new face since he has been a member of Illiana for quite some time and we know he can do an outstanding job as watchdog for our funds. Steve Schuelke has been our Secretary for the last year but has had a busy schedule for the last 6 months as a consultant. Steve believes he'll be devoting more time to the Secretary position, Our Historian and Deputy Director Mike McGrath has been a long time member of Illiana. Mike believes that the Historian title is really a misnomer that was placed on him by some undisclosed character. Mike continues to help in the historical area and he has held the position of Chair at one time in the past. Lloyd Welch has served as Recertification Chair for quite some time helping members who need help in certifying or recertifying when taking tests for their disciplines. He is always ready to give a hand when help is needed. Because of the lack of visibility from the Education Chair Illiana has been fortunate to have Dan Lowery, Ph.D to join the Illiana Board as our Education Chair representative. Dan has recently been appointed to Executive Vice President and heads up the Quality Masters Program at Calumet College of St. Joseph. Dan will work closely with Illiana in giving us insights to educational programs at Calumet College.

Because of timing there currently is no candidate for the Illiana Chair position. There are two qualified candidates for the Chair position but because each of the individuals has current commitments I will continue on in the Chair position until this situation is rectified and the Chair position is designee is named.

On Wednesday June 7th I asked the Illiana Board members for suggestions as to where and when we could hold a special outing for the Board members, their wives and invite the Illiana membership to a special no-charge outing as a thanks for their membership in Illiana Section 1213. I'll poll the replies and decide the way we could possibly plan to have the outing. I'll be in contact with the entire Illiana Section as to what the plans for the outing will be.

Cordially,

Charles M. Schmidt
Chair – ASQ Illiana Section 1213



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Meeting Agenda for 2006

<u>Date</u>	<u>ASQ Contact</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
9/26/2006	Mike Boothe	Accredited Calibration - Did you get what you asked for? - Pre-mtg Selecting an Accredited Lab - Understanding accreditation scopes and calibration results.	Glenwood Oaks 106 N. Main Street Glenwood, IL 60425 (708) 758-4400	J. Brent Snoddy
10/24/2006	Larry Sprengel	PRECONTROL - statistical subject	White Rose Inn 19400 Torrence Avenue Lynwood, IL 60411 708-418-8700	Randahl (Randy) Hulina
11/14/2006	Mike Boothe	Calibration Procedure Writing - How to write + validate procedures	CIAO'S\ 3613 West 216th Street (216th + Main St.) Matteson, IL 60443 708-481-6510	J. Brent Snoddy
12/12/2006	Lloyd M. Welch	Bitzer's Products - Plant Tour Small precision machined parts for hydraulic pumps and valves.	Bitzer's Products 2714 S. Ninth Avenue Broadview, IL 60155	Bill Sturgeon 708-345-0795 Limit 25

Plan to attend Illiana 1213 Dinner Meetings

Mission Statement

Illiana Section 1213—ASQ is dedicated to advancing the principles and practices of quality control for the benefit of its members, the Society, local business and industry, the education sector, and the community.

Certification Tests

<u>Exam List</u>	<u>Exam Date</u>	<u>Appl. Deadline</u>
2006		
CQT/CRE/CMI/CHA/Biomedical/Six Sigma Black Belt CMO/OE (Certified Manager of Organizational Excellence)	October 21	August 18
CQE/CQA/CSE/CQIA/CCT/CQPA	December 2	October 6

The location for the 2006 June test has been confirmed for Section 1213 at:

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IMPORTANT UPDATES FROM YOUR SECTION.**

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OF THE SECTION NEWSLETTERS !!**

ILLIANA SECTION 1213 UPCOMING EVENTS



SPECIAL OUTING