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SECTION 1407

April 2016 Newsletter



We hope you are able to JOIN US ON **TUESDAY April 12th**, 2016 at Corky's Ribs & BBQ 12005 Westhaven Dr.(off Bowman Rd.) Little Rock for our April Member Meeting. Our guest speaker is Dr. Jackie Elliott: President of North Ark Community College

Topic: 2015 Governor's Quality Award

The presentation will provide an overview of the process that Northark undertook to become a 2015 Governor's Quality Award winner. It continues the Sections support of the Governor's Quality Award Program and hopefully will help our members to continue to learn about the program and how it benefits quality in Arkansas.

About the Speaker:

Dr. Jackie Elliott started as President of North Arkansas College on July 1, 2011. Before coming to Northark, she served for five years as the Vice President of Student Affairs at Northwest Missouri State University. Before moving to Missouri, Dr. Elliott served in various administrative positions at Barton Community College in Great Bend Kansas, Creighton University in Omaha Nebraska and Highland Community College in Highland Kansas.

Earning a Doctor of Education degree in Educational Leadership and Higher Education from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, her dissertation topic was "The Effect of Involvement in Co-Curricular Activities on Community College Student Success and Development."

Dr. Elliott also serves as a Peer Corps Reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission and an Examiner for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. Please come join us for an interesting presentation and help the section continue to support the Governor's Quality Award Program.

March 2016 Meeting



If you missed the March meeting, you missed a presentation on “**Certification and Re-certification with ASQ**” by Lee Wright from Harbor Environmental. The presentation provided an overview of the ASQ Certification/Re-certification process. It included information about several of the ASQ Certifications that are available to our members and talked specifically about how Section 1407 helps its members through the Certification and Re-certification process including the different types of activities that can be counted as RU’s and the common errors that he sees on Re-certification applications. If you have any questions about this topic and couldn’t make the meeting, please contact Lee at recert1407@gmail.com . He will be happy to answer all your questions.

May Meeting

Looking ahead to our Membership Meeting in May at Larry’s Pizza in Bowman Road in Little Rock, Joel Kuhens, Lean Program Manager from Dassault Falcon Jet will join us again for a presentation in the importance of human interactions for LEAN programs. If you missed Joel’s presentation last year, please go ahead and plan to attend this presentation. Joel is a great speaker and is extremely knowledgeable. Besides, who doesn’t want some Banana Pudding Pizza! We hope to see you there!

Section 1407 Has a New Website!

Checkout the Section’s New Website at www.asqcentralark.org . If you have any news or information that you think should go in the website, please let a member of the leadership team know. It’s been a while since we had a website that was modern and functional, so we want to keep it updated and valuable to our membership now that it is again. Thanks again for everyone that helped with getting this up and running.

2016 ASQ World Conference on Quality and Improvement

The ASQ World Conference in May 16 – 18 this year in Milwaukee, WI. Regular registration started March 26th at a cost of \$1,095 for ASQ Members. Follow the link below for more information and on-line registration:

<https://prdweb.asq.org/ecommerce/conference/>

If you haven’t been to an ASQ conference before, it is a worthwhile experience and will give you a better sense of what ASQ is as an organization. This year should be really good because it is in Milwaukee, where the ASQ global headquarters is located. Check it out!

Upcoming 2016 Program Schedule

Month	Schedule of Events	Location
Apr. 12	Jackie Elliott: North Ark Community College – 2015 Governor’s Quality Award Winner	Corky’s Ribs & BBQ 12005 Westhaven Dr. (off Bowman) Little Rock
May 10	Joel Kuhens, Lean Program Manager, Dassault Falcon Jet: Importance of Human Interactions for LEAN Programs	Larry’s Pizza 801 S. Bowman Rd. Little Rock
All Meetings Begin at 6 PM.		

UPCOMING TOUR

In an effort to provide Members with tours that they will be interested in, we want to get your feedback. The Section has been in contact with Caterpillar about doing a tour for the section. Caterpillar only does tours during the day. Section 1407 would like to know the memberships interest in doing a tour of Caterpillar between 12:30 PM and 3:00 PM on Monday, July 25, 2016. If there is enough interest, we will schedule the event and will confirm the members that will be attending prior to that date. If interested, please send me a note at ldparker@uams.edu . I’ll compile a list of those interested and the Leadership Team will make the final preparations. Thanks to Connie Satzler from Dassault Falcon Jet for reaching out to Caterpillar and getting us this far! Great Job Connie!!



Central Arkansas ASQ Section 1407 LinkedIn page:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=3978669&mostPopular=&trk=tyah&trkInfo=tarld%3A1422420341302%2Ctas%3ACentral%20Arkansas%20ASQ%2Cidx%3A1-1-1>

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