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SECTION 1407 April 2017 Newsletter

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PLEASE JOIN US ON **TUESDAY April 11th**, 2017 at Red Lobster in NORTH Little Rock located at 3707 McCain Blvd, North Little Rock, AR 72116 (**directions below**). Meeting begins at **6:00 PM**. Please RSVP Chris Moore at cmooretile21usc@gmail.com

Topic:

Lean Manufacturing Philosophy – What is the future?



Joel Kuhens
Continuous Improvement Program Manager
Dassault Falcon Jet

Joel Kuhens has over thirty five years of manufacturing experience in pursuing continuous improvement of process efficiency, organizational growth and development of management strategies for increased business performance based on his career experience with The Pillsbury Company, Johnson Controls, General Motors, and Dassault Falcon Jet. His knowledge base includes multiple levels of operations management having held positions from front line supervision to facility manager. Joel has a demonstrated career history of effective problem solving and developing winning business strategies by coaching others to win.

In his current role, Joel is the Continuous Improvement Program Manager for Dassault Falcon Jet Little Rock Assembly. A role defined as a business improvement consultant to the organization serving in a broad range of

roles from facilitating, coaching, and teaching, to providing leadership consulting focused on the support of the organization's goal of completing and delivering the best corporate jets in the world. Joel earned his management degree from Missouri Western State University and an MBA from Park University. Outside the office Joel and his wife Cathi own and operate Kstar Ranch in Mt. Vernon, AR, where they breed, show, and market Egyptian Arabian Horses and maintain a herd of beef cattle. In 2017 Joel is focused on two main goals, to complete the certification process for becoming a foster parent and provide help to the Arkansas children in need and to earn his Lean Bronze Certification through SME/ASQ.



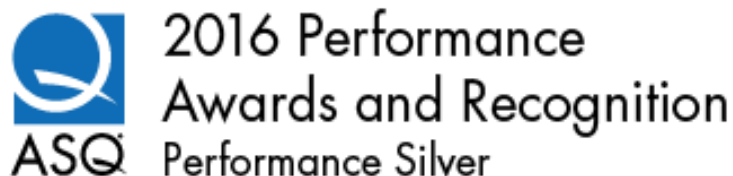
March 2017 Meeting

Steve Schafer, Quality Engineer at Welspun Tubular in Little Rock presented at our March meeting at Corky's in West Little Rock on Tuesday, March 14th. Steve manages the quality activities of large diameter / thick wall pipe manufacturing for the gas and petroleum industry. He has over 30 years of experience in quality engineering and has worked for Molex, Coleman Cable, Delphi and Delco. Steve presented on the manufacturing process and quality control systems used by Welspun in the manufacture of spiral pipe for oil and gas pipelines.



Central Arkansas Section 1407 Receives PAR Award

On March 31, 2017 the ASQ Performance Awards & Recognition (PAR) committee recognized our section with the Silver award for 2016. This level was achieved by meeting the good standing requirements, as well as, meeting or exceeding the Member Leader Engagement and Retention & Growth metrics.



2016/2017 Program Schedule

Month	Schedule of Events	Location
April 11	Joel Kuhens Continuous Improvement Program Manager Falcon Jet	Red Lobster North Little Rock
May 9	Last Meeting of 2016/2017 Schedule: Membership feedback, social gathering & gift card drawings	Larry's Pizza off Bowman West Little Rock
All Meetings Begin at 6 PM.		



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ASQ – 2017 Section Officers and Committee Chairs

Beginning, January 1, 2017 the following is our new list of officers and committee chairs.

Chair:	Chris Moore
Vice Chair:	Connie Satzler
Secretary:	Open
Treasurer:	John Denney
Membership Chair:	Lee Wright
Audit Chair:	Sarah Story
Nominating Chair:	Larry Parker
Past Chair:	Cathy Webb
Certification & Recertification:	Lee Wright
Arrangements & Program:	Larry Parker
Recognition:	Larry Parker
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