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ASQ St. Petersburg-Tampa Section 1508

Dinner Meeting Monday, January 12th, 2015

Speaker: Jennifer Stepnioski
Communications Director at Pro QC International

Topic: "Develop & Manage Your Personal Brand with Quality Tools"

<u>Main Speaker:</u> Jennifer Stepnioski, Communications Director at Pro QC International

<u>Summary & Speaker Bio</u>: Jennifer J. Stepniowski is the Communications Director at Pro QC International, a third-party quality consulting and engineering firm offering services in over 39 countries. With more than 15 years of experience at Pro QC, Jennifer has played an integral role in the growth of the organization and continues to develop strategies and work with a team of professionals that are dedicated to reducing quality risks and cost.

As an Influential Voices blogger for ASQ and Education Chair for ASQ Section 1508, she is part of a growing group of individuals making a difference in the industry and "raising the voice" through online content and promotion.

Jennifer also enjoys sharing her experience and knowledge as an adjunct instructor for Hillsborough Community College and HCC's Institute for Corporate and Continuing Education. Topics for webinars, workshops, and credited courses include management, quality, marketing, social media for small business, networking, and personal branding. Her personal mantra is inspired by Peter Drucker, which includes "the best way to predict the future is to create it."

Pre-Dinner Speaker: Craig Williams, APICS Vice President of Education

Florida West Coast Chapter 2014-2015

Topic: "APICS Overview"

<u>Summary & Speaker Bio</u>: Craig's career as an operations management professional spans more than 25 years in multiple capacities, such as Materials Manager, Inventory Control Supervisor, Senior Buyer, Materials Planner/Analyst and Production Planner. Craig has implemented the inventory and purchasing functions for ERP systems such as SAP, Oracle and Sage 500, which has provided a lot of experience leading and participating in teams managing systems and operational changes. Craig's teambuilding experience has been leveraged in companies such as Honeywell, Coca Cola, General Electric and Yanmar America to optimize performance in supply chain, operations and planning systems.

Craig's education credentials include a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) from the University of Florida and Certification in Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) from APICS, the leading professional association for supply chain and operations management professionals. Craig is an APICS Associate Instructor for CPIM, is the President of the Florida West Coast Chapter of APICS, and has been an active member of APICS since 1985.

ASQ Section 1508 St. Petersburg/ Tampa DINNER MEETING

St. Petersburg Marriott Clearwater 12600 Roosevelt Boulevard, St. Petersburg, FL. 33716

Due to the board meeting running from 4:30-5:30, Registration for the meeting will not start until 5:30.

5:30 pm-6:00 pm Registration

5:30 pm-6:00 pm Appetizers/Networking ** (Before meeting) are provided at no cost to mem-

bers by the section. **

** Appetizers : Appetizers Cheese Display garnished with Vine Fruit and

Served with Crackers**

6:00 pm-6:30 pm Pre-Dinner Activity

6:30 pm-7:15 pm <u>Dinner</u>

Salad: Garden Green Salad with Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and House

Champagne Vinaigrette or Ranch Dressing . All served with Rolls and Butter Entrée: Chicken Marsala topped with a Marsala Wine & Mushroom Sauce

Vegetable/Starch: Chef's Selection of Vegetable, Starch and Dessert

Note: Vegetarian Meals available for vegetarian and low fat requirements.

Water and Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee also served.

7:15 pm-8:15 pm Main Speaker

Directions:

From St. Petersburg: Take I-275 N/SR-686/Roosevelt Blvd exit 30, toward Largo. Merge onto Roosevelt Blvd. N/FL-686W toward Largo-Clearwater/St. Pete-**CLWTR INT'L** Airport. Turn slightly right on Roosevelt Blvd. The Marriott is at the light.

From Clearwater: Take SR-686 E ramp toward I 275 S/St. Petersburg. Turn slightly right on Roosevelt Blvd. N/FL-686 E. The Marriott is on the right at the light.

From Tampa: Merge onto I-275 N toward St. Petersburg. Take the Roosevelt Blvd/SR 686, EXIT 30, turn right at the bottom of the ramp onto Roosevelt Blvd. Turn left at the first traffic light on to 28th St, the hotel is on the right.

Reservation Policy On-line Reservations: http://asqtampabay.org/Home/tabid/38/Default.aspx

Reservations must be made by 4:00 PM on the Wednesday before the monthly meeting. If you have a special dietary request (vegetarian or low fat), please indicate this when making the reservation. The price for the meeting with the meal is \$30.00 with advanced reservations or \$35.00 for walk-ins. The price for the meeting without meal is \$10.00. Cash and check payments are accepted during the check-in from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Cancellations Policy

Cancellations deadline is Wednesday before the meeting at 4:30 PM. Since we cannot guarantee cancellations made after the deadline, you may still be charged for late cancellations.

If you make a reservation and <u>do not attend</u>, the Section must still pay for the meal and administrative costs. Therefore, you will be required to <u>reimburse</u> the Section by sending a **check**, payable to ASQ, for **\$30.00** (**\$10.00** for reservation with no meal) to our Treasurer, **Brad Near**, **9355 92nd Ave**, **Seminole**, **FL 33777**.

Message from Chair

"One important key to success is self-confidence. An important key to self-confidence is preparation."

- Arthur Ashe

Greetings members of Section 1508 - Tampa, St. Petersburg, Clearwater ASQ.

This is our 1st meeting of 2015. Please join us on January 12th, our next meeting for 2015 to hear;

Dinner Speaker: <u>Jennifer Stepniowski</u>, <u>Communications Director</u>, <u>Pro QC international</u>.

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"Develop & Manage Your Personal Brand with Quality"

Pre-Dinner: Craig Williams, CPIM, Materials Manager, Mastry Engine Center, LLC

Craig has his BS in Business Administration for University of Florida. He has been an active member in APICS since 1987 and is Certified in Production and Inventory Management.

Crain is a recognized Associate Instructor for CPIM and Instructor Training. He has performed multiple leadership roles in the APICS Florida West Coast Chapter. Among them, Vice President of Education, President, and Vice President of Programs

"An Overview of APICS."

Welcome New Member Leaders!

January 1, 2015 marks the start of new terms for most ASQ member leaders. You have been identified as a new member leader. We appreciate your commitment to expand the global voice of quality!

As a member leader, you have access to the Member Leader Community of Practice (ML CoP), a site that serves as a critical tool as you begin—or continue—your role. To gain access, visit www.asq.org then log in using your ASQ member login and click on the "Member Leader" area.

Yeah, Team

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday, January 12th at the Marriott Hotel, St Petersburg, FL

Bob Mendenhall, ASQ Tampa Bay Chair rmendenhall@novaces.com Jobs Jobs Jobs

From The Placement Chair

Our tool for helping members find jobs has been picking up momentum. You can see jobs that are currently available on our website: asqtampabay.org. When on the site, go to the Member Services tab, and click on Career Development. There you will see listings of <u>Jobs Available</u> as well as <u>Members Who are Seeking Jobs</u>.

Please Help us with both categories:

If you know of openings in your company, please ask your Human Resources to send me a description of the job to: voiceofthecustomer@asqtampabay.org along with an e-mail contact for candidates to send their Resume. Also if you know of a Job that fits one of our members that is looking, please send them that knowledge through their email address.

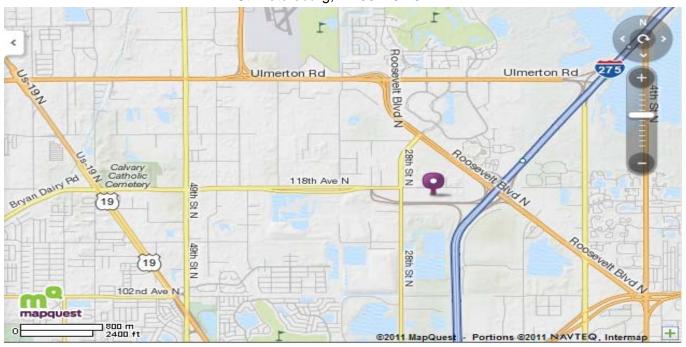
Thanks very much for your help!!!!

ASQ Certification for St. Petersburg/Tampa Section 1508

ASQ Section 1508 testing is held on the HSN campus in the auxiliary building directly across the street from the main campus. Signs are placed at the edge of the property and directly in front of the entrance on the morning of each exam day. Parking is located in front of and to the side of the building.

Address: 2400 118th Street, N.

St. Petersburg, FL 33716-1917



Registration begins at 7:15 AM. Please be sure to arrive by 7:50 AM to allow time for you to be checked in, your paperwork and books to be checked and to be seated to listen to instruction at 7:55 AM. **Exams begin promptly at 8:00 AM.**

Please be sure to remember to bring photo ID, pencils and approved calculator. Cell phones are not permitted, even in the off position, in the exam rooms.

We look forward to seeing those who will take their exams on March 7th. Registration for these exams ends on January 16th, so hurry and submit your application before the cut-off date!

Exams being offered in March 7th are as follows:

- BioMedical Auditor
- Certified Manager of Quality
- Quality Technician
- Six Sigma Black Belt

- HACCP Auditor
- Quality Inspector
- Reliability Engineer
- Master Black Belt

Please be aware that HSN is a tobacco free facility. You will not be able to smoke nor chew tobacco on the premises.

Board Members

Welcome New Member Leaders!

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Membership Statistics (as of January 2015)

 Regular
 277

 Fellow
 5

 Senior
 162

 Associate
 17

 Student
 36

 Org Member
 2

 Site
 4

Total 503