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ASQ St. Petersburg-Tampa Section 1508

Dinner Meeting Monday, April 13th, 2015

Speaker: Marnie Schmidt

Topic: 8 Week Boot Camp – Building a Robust Quality System

Main Speaker: Marnie Schmidt, Marnie Schmidt Consulting

Summary & Speaker Bio:

Marnie is a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt with over 20 years of diverse, hands-on experience in management, sales & marketing, strategic planning, consulting, training and quality process improvement. She helps management teams create high powered business systems integrating quality, environmental and safety as well as improving traditional “ISO” quality systems by incorporating lean and Six Sigma to reduce waste and variation.

“8 Week Boot Camp – Building a Robust Quality System”

Robust management systems start with a robust infrastructure. To incorporate lean and Six Sigma into a high performance management system, a simple set of information (and documents) should be created. Marnie Schmidt will present a repeatable and high intensity blitz method used to design this infrastructure, where keeping things simple meets setting the stage for continuous improvement. Classic quality tools are coordinated and arranged into a high impact quality system. This method takes into account today’s organizations’ need to maintain compliance to industry standards (ISO9001, SQF, etc), while leveraging gains from lean and Six Sigma for optimal process performance.





Pre-Dinner Speaker: Steve Babb, VP Product Technology,
BioDerm Inc.

Topic: “Strategic Planning and Lean Six Sigma”

Summary & Speaker Bio: Steve is a leader with 30-plus years of experience in medical devices, aerospace, management consulting, and other industries. He excels at creating value and quality chains extending from suppliers through customers. Since joining BioDerm in 2007, he created and patented several new consumable medical products, and released them to market using Design for Six Sigma (DFSS) and Lean Six Sigma.

As one of General Electric’s first Six Sigma Master Black Belts, Steve led the complete Lean Six Sigma initiative in a global information technology business during his 15 years with the company. He authored Lean Six Sigma, the Financial Impact, trained hundreds of employees and suppliers in Lean Six Sigma, and served as a Vice Chair of the ASQ Quality Management Division. A Professional Engineer, Babb holds ASQ certifications in Quality Management, Engineering and Auditing, and has ten patents and patents-pending, primarily in medical products.

Steve earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology, and his Masters in Chemical Engineering from the University of Florida.

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 members 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 Dinner
Salad: Garden Green Salad with Tomatoes, Cucumbers, and House Champagne Vinaigrette or Ranch Dressing . All served with Rolls and Butter
Entrée: Chicken Fiesta topped with Corn and Tomato Relish
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 do not attend, the Section must still pay for the meal and administrative costs. Therefore, you will be required to reimburse 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

“A cardinal principle of Total Quality escapes too many managers: you cannot continuously improve interdependent systems and processes until you progressively perfect interdependent, interpersonal relationships.”

Stephen Covey

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

This is our 4th meeting of 2015.

Please join us on April 13th, our next meeting for 2015 to hear;

Dinner Speakers: **Marnie Schmidt, Marnie Schmidt Consulting**

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Message from Chair

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Special Student Rate for World Conference

Member units can promote an opportunity for student members to attend the 2015 World Conference on Quality and Improvement for \$95. Student members can take advantage of the career development content, network with attendees from around the world, and learn more about ASQ at the Annual Business Meeting. Students are also invited to a special student welcome and orientation event.

Yeah, Team

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday, April 13th at the Marriott Hotel, St Petersburg, FL

Bob Mendenhall, ASQ Tampa Bay Chair
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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 [Jobs Available](#) as well as [Members Who are Seeking Jobs](#).

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!!!!

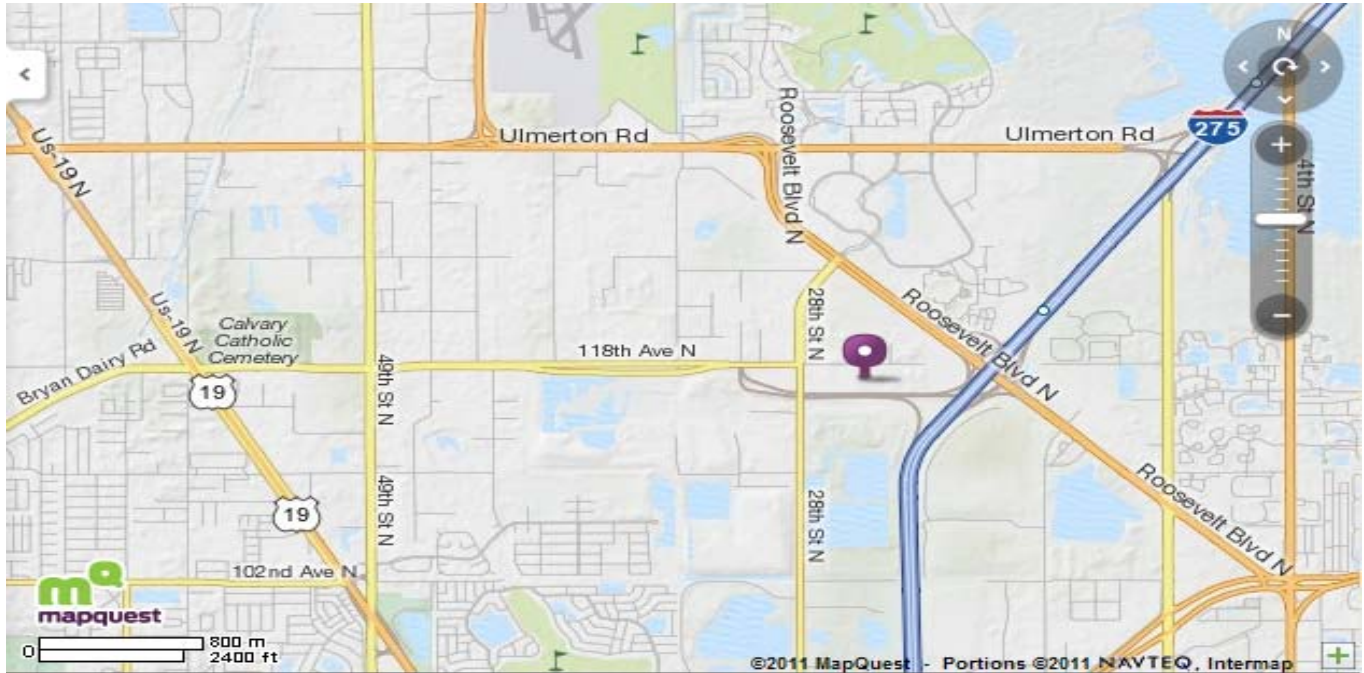


ASQ Certification for St. Petersburg/Tampa Section 1508

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 June 6th. Registration for these exams ends on April 17th, so hurry and submit your application before the cut-off date!

Exams being offered in June 6th are as follows:

- Calibration Technician
- Quality Auditor
- Quality Improvement Associate
- Six Sigma Green Belt
- Pharmaceutical GMC Professional
- Quality Engineer
- Reliability Engineer
- Quality Process Analyst

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

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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
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	Total 503