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ASQ Section 1508 St. Petersburg/Tampa

JUNE MEETING
Monday, June 12, 2006

Speaker: Ms. Debbie Baker
London Baker Group

"Ground Rules for G.R.E.A.T.N.E.S.S"

It's often very hard for people to recognize and realize their own greatness. Many are good at recognizing it in others – not so good with themselves. In this workshop, you'll learn how to utilize a formula for success that is easily remembered, shared and duplicatable in your life. This nine-step process has been developed by Deborah London Baker, an executive and team coach and trainer who is committed to people consciously choosing their lives and achieving their own, unique greatness.

Debbie Baker

With more than 20 years of business and management experience, Deborah London Baker brings a wealth of creativity, knowledge and ideas to client challenges. Debbie is president of London Baker Group, a Tampa, Florida firm specializing in organizational and individual performance improvement.

Submitted by Steve Babb, Programs Chair

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CHAIR

“I walk slowly,
but I never walk backward.”
- Abraham Lincoln

Our Speaker on May 8 was Mr. Stephen Spratt, who is Pinellas County Administrator. Steve provided us with a fascinating insight into how the Pinellas County government is evolving to meet the continuously growing needs of its citizens. One concept being utilized is the comparison of the cost of government services to equivalent commercial services and the incorporation of best commercial practices into government services. The creation of County Connection Centers (727-464-3000) was also discussed. These centers provide personalized assistance to solve a wide range of problems including traffic safety, stormwater drainage, code enforcement, land use and public safety. There are five centers located throughout the county. Thanks, Steve, for an informative and entertaining evening.

A pre dinner presentation of the results of the March survey was also made. Our thanks to Paul Racine for his collection and summary of the survey data. The pre dinner presentation allowed us to award .6 recertification points for the meeting.

We have two workshops left in our 2005-2006 ASQ year. The last couple of workshops have resulted in more reservations than we have space for so if you are interested in the June workshop, we encourage you to sign up now. The workshops are described in the “News Flash” area of our web site and were included in the January newsletter. Be sure to make a reservation with Alain Gaumier, our Education Chair for any workshop that interests you. Don’t let this opportunity to attend a free workshop pass you by.

We are still in need of new board members. The board meets each month at 4:30 prior to the regular meeting. The operation of our section would be impossible without our board volunteers.

No reservation for the Board meeting is required.

If you have a suggestion for a speaker or subject, or would like to assist with the meeting programs, please contact Steve Babb our 2006-2007 Chair elect and Programs chair. Section 1508 will provide a free dinner for anyone who presents a pre dinner or after dinner topic at our meetings.

As the June 12 meeting is the last one of the 2005-2006 year, I will become the Past Chair as of July 1 2006. I would like to express my sincere thanks to all who have made my tenure as section chair most enjoyable and personally rewarding. I look forward to continued participation in the section and the board. Have a safe and enjoyable summer and I hope to see you all next September.

Congratulations again to ASQ on its 60th (not 50th) birthday!

Ed Pagnott
Section 1508 Chair for 2005 / 2006

ASQ Section 1508 St. Petersburg/Tampa
Next Meeting: *Monday, June 12, 2006*
Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore
2225 North Lois Ave
Tampa, FL.

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

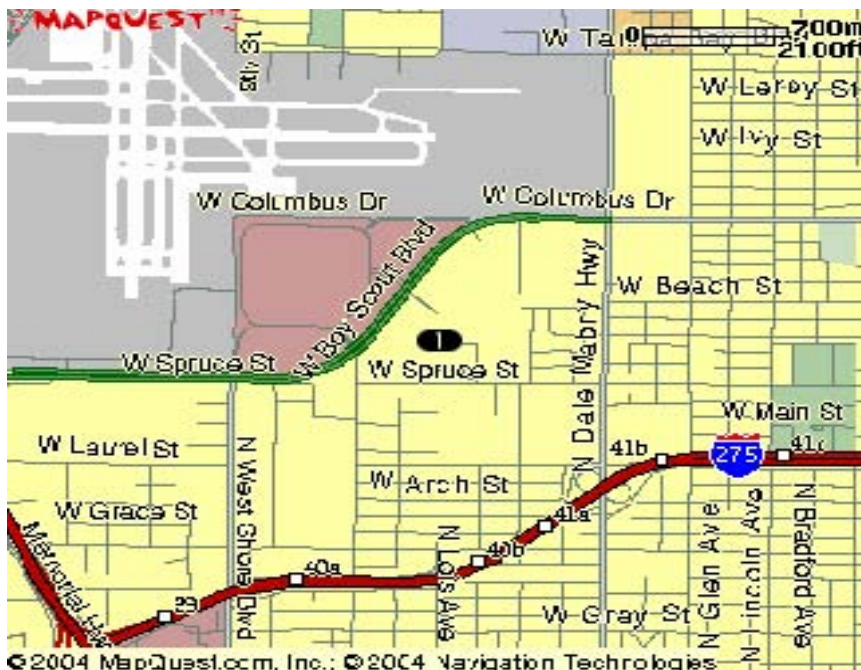
- 5:30pm Registration**
5:30-6:00pm Appetizers/Networking **
6:00- 6:30 Pre-Dinner Topic
6:30pm -7:30 Dinner
Salad - Greek Tomato and Olive Salad
Entrée -Rosemary Seared Pork
Dessert -Tiramisu
7:30pm-8:30 – Speaker

**** Appetizers are provided at no cost to members by the section. ****

Directions :

.FROM 275 NORTH TAKE EXIT 40B/LOIS AVE. WHEN EXITING TURN LEFT ONTO LOIS AVE. HILTON IS LOCATED 1/2 MILE ON RIGHT.

FROM TPA - FOLLOW AIRPORT EXIT TO SPRUCE STREET TO THE THIRD LIGHT- LOIS AVENUE. TURN RIGHT AND THE HOTEL IS ON THE LEFT.



On-line Reservations: www.time2meet.com/asq1508/index.shtml

Reservations should be made by 4:00PM, Thursday, June 8, 2006

If you experience a problems using the website for making a reservation, send an e-mail with your phone number, company name and address to Heike.

[Heike @ e-imagestudios.com](mailto:Heike@e-imagestudios.com)

Cancellations should be made by noon on the Friday before the meeting but every effort will be made to accommodate late cancellations. If you have a special dietary request - vegetarian or low fat. - please indicate this at the time you make your reservation. \$20.00 per member with a reservation or \$25.00 at the door for guests and members without a reservation. **Only cash or check accepted at the door.**

If you make a reservation and do not attend, the section must still pay for your meal.

In this event you should reimburse the section by sending a **check**, payable to ASQ, for \$20.00 to our treasurer,
Glen Cavanaugh, 9212 Rustic Pines Blvd. W, Seminole, FL. 33776

Recertification

Recertification Chair: Heike Johnson

Please send all recertification packets to:
Heike B. Johnson, ASQ 1508 Recertification Chair
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2106 Climbing Ivy Drive
Tampa, FL 33618-1709

To contact Heike for questions, her e-mail address is as follows: Heike@e-imagestudios.com

CERTIFICATION EXAM DATES 2006

<u>EXAM</u>	<u>EXAM DATES</u>	<u>APPLICATION DEADLINE</u>
CQE, SSGB, CSQE, CQA, CQIA, CCT, CQPA	June 3, 2006	Past
SSBB, CBA, CRE, CQT, CMI, CHA, CMQ/OE	October 21, 2006	August 18, 2006
CQE, SSGB, CSQE, CQA, CQIA, CCT, CQPA	December 2, 2006	October 6, 2006

CBA - Biomedical Auditor Certification
CCT - Calibration Technician Certification
CHA - HAACP Auditor Certification
CMI - Mechanical Inspector Certification
CMQ/OE - Manager of Quality / Operational Excellence
CQA - Quality Auditor Certification
CQE - Quality Engineer Certification
CQIA - Quality Improvement Associate
CQPA - Quality Process Analyst Certification
CQT - Quality Technician Certification
CRE - Reliability Engineer Certification
CSQE - Software Quality Engineer Certification
SSBB - Six Sigma Black Belt Certification
SSGB - Six Sigma Green Belt Certification

Meeting Survey Results

The surveys that were completed Monday evening March 13th, 2006 contained abundant information for the board to consider.

The satisfaction portion of the survey results for the speaker and topic measured between 82 & 83.8%.

The meal and overall meeting experience received an 82.7% grade.

The top three reasons for attending are:

Networking (28.8)
Recertification points (23.8%)
Topic (31.4%)

The top three benefits received are:

Education/training (31.5%)
Recertification points (27.4%)
Networking (26.0%)

Suggestions for strengthening the Section and the Membership were varied and here are some of the recommendations:

- Bring your boss night
- Consider a listing of Companies with their major Product or Service listed as a handout, when reservation documents are distributed.
- Consider beginning the 'Speaker' during dinner. Some members have obligations and the meeting is rather long
- Post the Speaker's Power Point presentation on our web page

We appreciate the sincere effort made to provide meaningful information for the Board. We wish to enhance the Membership experience of the Section.

Summary provided by
Paul Racine
Membership Chair

The following workshop is being offered free of charge to ASQ members.
Contact Alain Gaumier at Algaumier@aol.com for more information or to sign up.

**Workshop will take place at the STAR Building,
7887 Bryan Dairy Road, Suite 120, Largo, FL 33777.
Tel: 727 541 8942.**

Workshop	Instructor	Day	Date	Time	Deadline to Register
Overview of Statistical Process Control	TBD	Thursday	6.22.2006	5PM to 7PM	6.05.2006



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Membership Statistics

Regular	409
Fellow	4
Senior	168
Associate	16
Student	10
Sustaining	3
Forum	1
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Total	611