

ASQ Youngstown-Warren Section 0805

April 2007

Membership Meeting – April 9, 2007

Join us for the April meeting of the 2006-2007 year. The meeting will be held, as usual, on the second Monday of the month at Café 422. All members are invited and anyone else interested in the quality field. This month's meeting is a roundtable discussion of standards. Please feel free to invite your associates.

Attend the presentation and the technical meeting at no charge. Dinner is just \$15.00 for members with prior reservations, and \$17.00 for non-members and those not making a prior reservation; with the following menu choices: Italian Sampler, Grilled Chicken, Pork Chops or Broiled Cod (or attend the presentation only at no charge). To make your reservations, please e-mail jwwaid@earthlink.net **before 5:00 p.m. on Friday April 6th**. This can be fast and easy if you just click on the address and when your e-mail form comes up, just put in your reservation(s). Please note there has been a change to our dinner format from previous years. You no longer need to pre-select your choice.

5:00 – 6:00 PM Pre-Meeting Technical: April's topic begins at the Pre-meeting with a presentation of the multiple standards and the questions for the roundtable discussion.

Dinner will be at 6:00 – 7:00 PM.

Presentation at 7:00 PM: Roundtable Discussion of the Standards This session continues on from the pre-meeting technical session, where members will participate in a roundtable discussion. Hear what professionals have experienced in upgrading/converting or implementing standards from different industry perspectives. This is your opportunity to ask questions of your peers and share your experiences. Some questions for consideration include:

- How well has the standard been embraced by your organization?

- Has the revised standard influenced any of your processes? (e.g. design control, internal auditing, training, customer processes, etc)
- How well are your suppliers doing in giving you what you need to demonstrate compliance with the standard?
- What are some of the things that supplier's are not giving you?
- For companies just considering registration to a standard, what pitfalls would recommend avoiding?
- How would you characterize a company that benefits from registration?
- What process did you find most helpful, when applying the revised standard?
- Are there any trends creating a quandary for you?
- Are you a small or large company? How much did this have an effect did this have on you in terms of being prepared?
- What were the obstacles you had in achieving compliance?
- What do you see happening in terms of future revisions? What issues will be facing in the next (10) years?
- What exemptions did you claim? Why?
- What are the highest priority standards issues facing your company?
- What efforts were made to educate personnel about the importance of standards and registration? Were they successful? What more needs to be done?
- A phenomena called "fad of the month" can create problems? (where the interest moves onto another interest). How did you handle this?
- "Funding" may be an issue; what changes were made or resources applied to address implementation and maintenance?
- What issues have arisen with your registrar?
- How much testing or inspection do you perform?
- How easy is it for you to declare compliance with a new product?
- The revised standard is not a "check sheet". Have you taken it and established your own criteria to make it into a check sheet?
- In terms of process validation, has the standard caused you to change the way you do things?

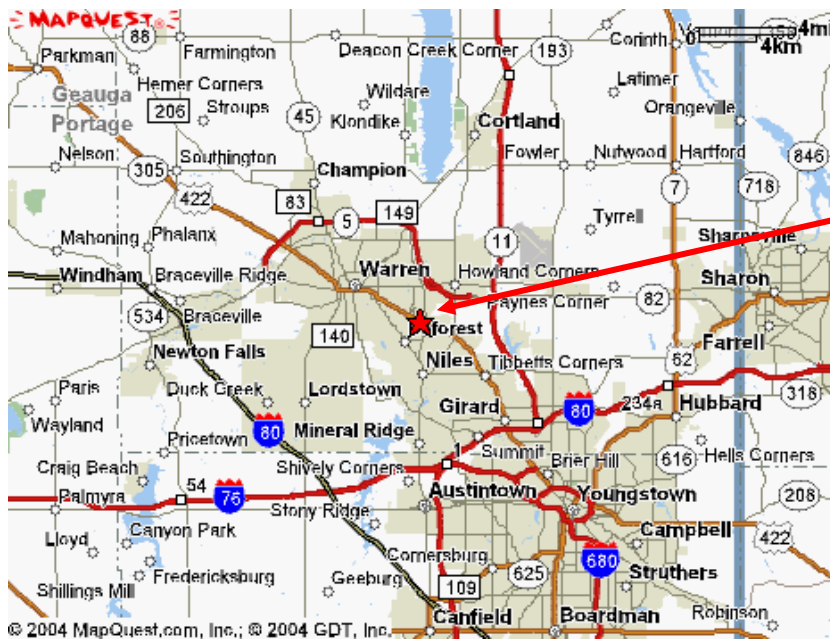
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Mark your calendar for our upcoming meetings:

Meeting Date (Monday)	ASQ Mtg. type	Pre-Meeting Topic 5:00 PM	Dinner Topic 6:00 PM
4/19/2007	Dinner	ISO / TS / AS	ISO TS / AS
5/14/2007	Dinner Joint w/ ASM	NONE	Scholarship Awards presented [Meeting topic TBA]

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