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Section 0401

NEWSLETTER

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Our objective: To increase awareness, interest, and involvement in Section activities and quality-related subjects.

Six Sigma & Lean Manufacturing



DATE: Wednesday, May 12, 2004

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: Hilton Hotel - Dorval Airport

SPEAKER: Dr Wolfgang J. Schmitz

COST: Members \$25 Non-members \$30

And, we pay the Parking !!

Some of the topics that will be covered:

- "Lean Sigma" implementation at ALCAN, worldwide
- Case studies and application of improvement techniques
- Support structure and sustainability requirements
- Critical success factors and lessons learned

and answers to many more questions !

More details on the speaker on page 2.

For reservations or information contact:
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Congratulations to our Section Vice Chair Inteaz Alli for his recent book "Food Quality Assurance : Principles and Practices" which presents the principles and practices of food industry GMPs, HACCP, and ISO 9000 !

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The Editor's Corner


By Raymond E. Dyer, ASQ CQMgr & CQA, Newsletter Editor

2003/2004 CLOSES!

What a year! Excellent events, many changes, fellow executives getting recognition for ISO 9000 expertise and authoring books, nine newsletters, etc. I'll have to ask our historian Jean-Pierre Amiel if I hold the record on

the latter, he would know!

In closing the 2003/2004 season, I wish you all a great Summer, a wonderful May 2004 event, and a fulfilled Quality career. Keep up the networking, it's the heart of what we stand for!

Raymond E. Dyer 



A word from your Section Chair

By Isabelle Lemieux, Section Chair

2003/2004 coming to a close !

Summer is at our doorstep. Year 2003/2004 is going to close soon. We accomplished so much this year and, most important, our satisfaction rate has gone up to more than 83%! We also established contacts with the chamber of commerce of Ville Saint-Laurent. My main objective this year was to go out there and show the business community that we exist, that we represent opportunities for them. Our section has one of the biggest pool of quality professionals. Hopefully, in the near fu-

ture, we will develop beneficial partnerships with our community.

My year was one of great achievements and I thank you all for your support. Your newly elected Section Chair, Bernard Doiron, whom is an inspiration for us all, will be carrying the flame. Under his guidance, our section will grow stronger and bolder.

Thank you all for your support, ... Bernie, ... the floor is yours!

Your 2003/2004 Section Chair,

Isabelle Lemieux 

Details of next event

By Marjaneh Pourmand, Six Sigma & Change Management Chair

Dr. Wolfgang J. Schmitz

Dr. Wolfgang J. Schmitz is Director, Continuous Improvement Project, for Alcan Inc.. He is based in their corporate headquarters in Montreal. In this role, Dr. Schmitz is responsible for the development of a corporate-wide improvement model and its implementation. He reports to Brian Sturgell and Dick Evans in the Office of the President.

Prior to this, Dr. Schmitz was based in Markt-Schwaben, Germany, and was Vice President and General Manager of the Automotive Engineered-Shaped Products business unit. He was also Managing Director of the Alcan BDW die-casting plant.

Dr. Schmitz is an experienced business manager

with expertise in operations, sales, and development in the automotive and industrial market. Prior to joining Algroup in 1999, he worked as Plant Manager and later as Managing Director for an international automotive supplier in Germany. From 1991-1995, as the Manager, Technology Management Group of Fraunhofer IPT, Germany's largest research company, he led and conducted various planning, strategy, cost reduction and improvement projects for several international corporations.

Dr. Schmitz studied at the University of Technology in Aachen, Germany, and at the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland. He has a masters in production engineering, a masters in business administration, and a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering.

ASQ Certification & Recertification

By Norman Dickinson, Certification & Recertification Chairs

ASQ Certifications	EXAM DATES	APPLICATION DEADLINE
CQE, CQA, CSQE, CQIA, CCT	June 5, 2004	April 23, 2004 (extended)
CQT, CRE, CMI, CHA, CQA-Biomedical, Certified Quality Manager, Six Sigma Black Belt	October 16, 2004	August 20, 2004
CQE, CQA, CSQE, CQIA, CCT	December 4, 2004	October 1, 2004

Please bear in mind that these exam dates were correct at the time of posting. They may be revised by ASQ at any time. For the latest dates, please contact ASQ directly at 1-800-248-1946.

For members interested in preparing their journals for recertification, please contact Norman Dickinson, Recertification Chair, at Tel: (514) 334-6102 or e-mail: n.dickinson@alumni.concordia.ca .

Welcome to our new members

By Bernard Doiron, ASQ CQA, Membership Chair



We welcome new members
**Nadeem Akhtar, Zhisheng Chen,
 Dr. Mokhtar M. El Homossani,
 Abdelghani EL Imrani, Jennifer
 J. Hong, Dr. Kevin Laframboise,
 Andrus Lattik, Hakim Makhoulouf,
 Ganesh S. Pandey, Ovidiu
 Petrisor Stanescu, and Caroline
 Thellend to our section !**

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The **Montreal Section**, was accepted as the 43rd Section of the *American Society for Quality* in 1950 and designated **Section 0401**. 

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« To promote and enhance the quality profession by providing support to our Section membership, offering information, educational programs and events, and promoting the awareness and value of quality in the community. »

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