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SECTION 1506 AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR QUALITY

From the Section Chair Dan Ratliff

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Many thanks to Professor Peter Wludyka, a member of ASQ and an Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at the University of North Florida, for visiting our Section last month and discussing the Analysis of Means and his upcoming book. Professor Wludyka's presentation is posted on our Section website for those unable to join us (www.asq1506.org).

Next Year Election Is Here!

The election year runs from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. This is the best opportunity for anyone to get involved in the Section. The hours are short and the demands on your time are minimal, as long as we have enough people to support the programs. Consider taking that next step in Section involvement. Three positions are mandatory for the Section: Chair, Secretary and

Treasurer. If you are interested in one of the open positions (refer to table page 3), those positions may be filled by Executive Committee appointment, so please let your interest be known.

Next month's meeting

On April 21st the main topic will be highlighted by a presentation from Amy Erickson of the Jacksonville Lean Consortium. Ms. Erickson is a Master Black Belt and a Lean Facilitator. She brings an extensive background in successfully leveraging a combination of 6Sigma and Lean philosophies to help organizations achieve continuous improvement results.

Understanding that waste is not confined to the manufacturing floor, Ms. Erickson has developed many techniques for using traditional improvement approaches in very non-traditional ways. She has facilitated many events and improvement initiatives in areas including procurement, information systems, finance, human resources, engineering and marketing. Working with people from all functions of organizations, she has a talent for making continuous improvement "user friendly."

See you there

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**Ron Sedlock
Education Chair
will have a surprise
topic during the
meeting**

Please let us know if you have a topic in mind for future presentations.

**‘Jeff Lackey’
Quality Scholarship**

The Jeff Lackey Quality Scholarship is new for our Section this year: a \$1000 scholarship to be used in a course of study in any undergraduate or graduate degree program at an accredited college or university. Please see <http://www.asq1506.org/education.htm> for more information and the application form.

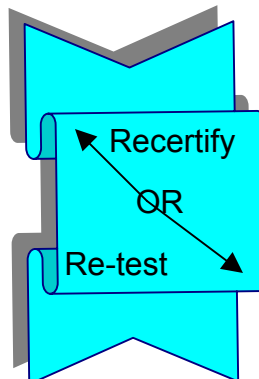
**Mark your MAY 19, 2005
Calendar for the ASQ
1506 Recognition Event**

April

Date: April 21st
Time: 5:30 – 8:30 PM
Cost: \$15
Location: Holiday Inn,
Baymeadows



Ms. Erickson has been involved in manufacturing process improvement for 15 years. She has been the local coordinator for the First Coast Manufacturers Association Jacksonville Lean Consortium since August, 2004. Prior to this assignment, she spent 5 years with the Crane Corporation. In 2000, Ms. Erickson was selected to attend the company’s first wave of Black Belt Certification that incorporated both 6Sigma and Lean methodologies. In 2003 she completed requirements for both Master Black Belt and Kaizen Facilitation Certifications. Her most fulfilling duties as a Master Black Belt were the development and mentoring of other Green and Black belts.



Important Information

For re-certification, send your document to the Recertification Chair
Elwood A. Nelson new address:

**145 Moses Creek Blvd.
St. Augustine, FL 32086
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**For ALL reservations call Jeff Lackey at (904) 443-3981 or email jlackey@visus.inj.com
If you require special diet, please let us know.**

Make Your Vote, and Your Contribution, Count!

This year, ASQ requires that each Section submit its next year's Section Executive Committee no later than May 1st. In order to meet that timeline, nominations for all board and committee chairs were held at our last meeting on Mar 17th. Elections and acclamations will be held at the April 21st meeting.

The following table lists the current chair holder, plus the nominees for next year. Those positions with only a single name will be selected by acclamation. For those positions with two or more names, we will have an election at the April 21st meeting.

ASQ Nominations – Section 1506

	Current (2004-2005)	Nominees (2005-2006)
Chair:	Dan Ratliff	Ron Sedlock, Brad Lovik
Secretary:	Joyce Holland	Joyce Holland
Treasurer:	Jose Ochoa	Jose Ochoa
Vice-Chair:	Brad Lovik	Brad Lovik
Arrangements:	Donna Acors	Donna Acors
Membership:	Jeff Lackey	Richard Wilcox, John Faison
Audit	Clara Edwards	Clara Edwards
Certification:	Mary Jon Peterson	Mary Jon Peterson
Recertification:	Woody Nelson	Woody Nelson
Education:	Ron Sedlock	OPEN
Programs:		Stephen Correll
Internet Liaison:	Robb Reynolds	Robb Reynolds
SMP:	Steve Clapp	Don Richards
Newsletter Editor:	Amna Stili	Stephen Correll
Placement:		OPEN
Publicity:		Steve Clapp
Student Branch Counselor:		Phillip McDowell
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