



QUOTE(S) OF THE
MONTH FROM ASQ
QUALITY QUOTES:

“WHEN THE WHOLE
WORLD IS SILENT, EVEN
ONE VOICE BECOMES
POWERFUL.”

MALALA YOUSAFZAI,
NOBEL LAUREATE

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Newsletter Chair

Paul Suffredin

General Meeting Information

Welcome

The safety of our members is our top priority. Due to the national COVID-19 emergency, the Fox Valley Section of ASQ will **not host a section meetings or senior leadership meetings in-person and will continue to be held online. If this changes, we will inform members as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience, understanding, and support.

The next general meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 8th, 2022. -note meeting on Thursday instead of Tuesday.**

via:

WebEx Conference Bridge (Webinar)

Please REGISTER on our website: <https://asq-foxvalley.org/meetinginfo.php?id=263>

Only people who have registered will be sent the meeting link.

Important Notes regarding Registration:

- **Registration closes end of day (midnight) Saturday, September 3rd, 2022**

- The meeting link will be sent to all registrants **after** registration closes. You will **not** receive a link to attend without prior registration.

- Attendees will earn **0.5 RUs**. **Note: RU letters are issued during on-site meetings and via e-mail, normally the next day for Virtual meetings. If the letter does not arrive the next day. Members should contact us right away and not wait until recertification deadline to request the letters. You must attend a minimum of 50% of the meeting to receive your RU credit.**

- There is no fee for this meeting.

Etiquette on the call/during the webinar (Online):

- If possible, join the meeting using the link so that you can see the presentation.

Thursday September 8th Program

To check Quality of connection.

Log in: 5:45-6:00pm

Presentation: 6:00-7:00pm

Presenter: Anna Gillespie

“MakerSpace-Library Partnership with Business”



TITLE - MakerSpace –Library Partnership with business

ABSTRACT

Join us as we explore how makerspaces can benefit businesses . We will tour Aurora’s Mak-erspace and look at examples of other library makerspaces and education can benefit both businesses and the community."

Bio : Anna Gillespie is the Assistant Manager of Digital Services at the Aurora Public Library District. Anna has recently joined the staff at Aurora Public Library District and came from Fountaindale Public Library. While at Fountaindale she worked in the libraries digital media studio and helped develop the Makerspace there. Now that Anna is at Aurora, she is helping the Makerspace at Santori Library grow. Anna grew up in Warrenville nearby and has enjoyed being able to participate in the community. Anna’s hobbies include all types of crafting .



Letter From The Chair

September 2022

Dear Fox Valley Section 1208 Members,

Amazing! What a Summer! We all had so much fun, and enjoyed so many activities!

I hope everyone reading this can relate to having a really great Summer. And I am sure we are all looking forward to having a great Fall and enjoying the rest of this year. So much can happen in just a few short months.

Well, our Fox Valley Section 1208 is planning a great set of member meetings, all virtual on-line, for the rest of this year—see details elsewhere in this Newsletter. Chuck Gates, our Educational Chair is planning and putting together the Fall schedule of classes—access our Fox Valley Section 1208 website at: asq.foxvalley.org/education for the current set of offerings and on-going updates.

Your Section Leadership is starting the Fall program cycle and the planning for the next year, 2023, now. This means we are planning and budgeting and working on Nominating next year's elected officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary during September. In addition, there are a few additional appointed Chair positions open for those who would like to become more involved with your careers in Quality and who would like to "get in the flow". Please see the note from our Nominations Chair in this Newsletter. And please contact our Nominations Chair to discuss your interests in contributing to the leadership of our Section 1208.

I know many in the technical world are extremely smart with years of practical experience and who have skills in critical problem-solving and trouble-shooting—but are just a bit reluctant to apply their skills in organizational leadership activities. This quality organization, ASQ Fox Valley Section 1208, offers a low risk opportunity to help develop your teaming and leadership skills. This type of experience definitely expands our "comfort zones".

Please consider these offered opportunities and act by contacting our Nominations Chair.

I have been actively involved in the leadership of this Section for many years, and this is now my second cycle serving as this Section's Chair. I have not yet met anyone who has regretted being involved in our Section Leadership and, if you ask—most will tell you that it is a really great experience.

Get in the flow.

Best Regards,

Bob Kutter, Section 1208 Chair



SLC VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED

We currently have some openings on the Section Leadership Committee due to members moving out of state, retiring, etc..

This is a great way to give back to the section, as well as earn a large number of RU credits toward your recertification. It usually requires a couple of hours per month of your time and looks good on your resume. Position openings as follows.

Social Media Chair

Vice Chair

Treasurer

Programs Chair

Networking Chair

Planning and Budgeting Chair

Please contact me to discuss any of the openings that may interest you.

Best Regards,

Chris Gay-Nominations Chair

Fox Valley ASQ Section 1208



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Workshops, Certificate Programs, and Certification Prep Web Interactive

ASQ Fox Valley Section Web Interactive Exam Preparation Courses

This is still the perfect time to receive customized, flexible, and virtual ASQ Training for your next certification! More and more people are getting ASQ certified in the Fox Valley Section! Now may be a great time to invest in your career development with a flexible Prep Course taught by our own Education Chair, Chuck Gates. Chuck brings over 40 years of experience in various quality management roles, and he teaches Quality Management and ASQ Certification courses to several colleges and businesses in Illinois. Reach out to the Education Chair for more details.

Please review the Training Catalog or visit <https://www.asq-foxvalley.org> and select the Education tab for more information regarding the schedule of courses and workshops. See list of training at end of newsletter.

Web Interactive Courses can be scheduled on flexible dates and times. Participants must purchase the study materials and pay for Certification Exams.

The Fox Valley Section of ASQ welcomes you and anyone interested in volunteering their time, to attend one of our **Section Leadership Committee (SLC)** meetings. It is during these meetings where decisions and updates are managed for the section. All feedback and participation are appreciated. For more information or if interested in attending a meeting, please contact help@asq-foxvalley.org.

| Date 2022 6:30pm | Location |
|------------------------|----------|
| September 20th | webinar |
| October 18th | webinar |
| November 15th | webinar |



Networking Leads for Members in Transition

- **WAG (Winfield Accountability Group)** meets at 8:00am on Monday mornings at the NM/CDH Hospital Café. Contact 630.212.1568 or drmsbb@gmail.com for details and invitation.
- **TUG (Tri-Cities Unemployment Group)** meets 6:30 p.m. on Mondays in St Charles, IL. Contact: TUGCareerServices.org or email: WeCanHelp@TUGCareerServices.org.
- **Mfg. Pros Networking Group** meet on the last Tuesday of the month in Lombard, IL. Contact Juan at: mfgpros@att.net.
- **JDNG (Jobs Driven Networking group)** meets the 3rd Thursday every month 12:00 – 12:50pm at the Wheaton Masonic Lodge to discuss networking tactics and search strategies. Meetings are FREE to attend in person. Contact: <https://drivestaff.com/jdng>
- **North Suburban Cook County- American Job Center-** WWW.NORTHCOOKJOBCENTER.COM
- **Linda Employment Transition –Elgin Community College** lbrubaker@elgin.edu



Manufacturers Upbeat Working Remotely

Nearly 74% of manufacturers said they are optimistic about the future, and adapting and rebounding in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a recent survey.

Manufacturers said they are also adopting new technologies and processes for managing production and controlling quality, including 75% who noted more of their workers are now working remotely using cloud-based computing, reported InfinityQS International Inc., a U.S. software developer.

“The impact of coronavirus has been a massive wake-up call for all industries and manufacturing is no exception, particularly as a sector still heavily dependent on manual processes and legacy technologies,” said InfinityQS’s Jason Chester.

For more from the survey, visit <https://tinyurl.com/manufacturers-upbeat-future>.

*Sanders, S. (2020, October). The Progress Report: ASQE. Quality Progress: The Official Publication of ASQ, 53(10), 8-9

Job Submissions

Job submissions should be sent to ASQ.org for distribution to a much larger audience than what the Fox Valley ASQ Section 1208 can provide.

If you want to network a local Quality position, send contact and basic job description to help@asq-foxvalley.org.

LinkedIn Profiles

LinkedIn is a career networking site that also has social aspects. A career searcher’s LinkedIn profile is significant in an effective career search. There is high demand for quality skills in this current career environment. Are you being contacted about opportunities? Are recruiters looking at your LinkedIn profile? For future career networking your long term LinkedIn career network needs to be expanded and maintained. Talk to people in local job clubs for help with LinkedIn.



Job Fair

If you are looking for a new position or to change, your job-there is a Job Fair at Elgin Community College on September 8th, 10AM-12PM.

Call 331-465-9661 or visit repmaura49.com for more information.

Building E 1700 Spartan Dr. Elgin, IL.

Speaking of Jobs make sure to check out the open positions our committee currently has.

“Many hands makes the work easier.” Not sure who the author to credit.

2022 Future Meeting Dates and Locations

| DATE | Location | Speaker | Topic |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------|--|
| October 4th(Tuesday) | Webinar | Rachel Cipriano | Trauma and resilience- 5 secrets o becoming stronger in the Broken places. |
| November 3rd (Thursday) | Webinar | Mary Erlain | 5 generations in the Work- place. |
| December 6th (Tuesday) | Webinar | Emma McGinnas | Preventing workplace injuries. |
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Section Scholarship

The chapter awards two Scholarships each year in the spring.

The chapter will award the Richard A. Maass Scholarship to a graduating high school or grand child of an active section member. Applications will be sent out in October.

Tours Hopefully during this next year we can do one.

Fox Valley ASQ Section 1208 is looking for opportunities to sponsor Quality Tours in the Fox Valley Area.

**Due to circumstances surrounding COVID-19, planned tours for 2022-2023 have been postponed. However, we are still looking for leads for future tours. We want to offer the benefit of Quality professionals available to offer fresh eyes and ideas to help companies with their Quality challenges.*

What are we looking for?

Companies that would like to have 25-30 pairs of fresh Quality eyes visit their operations for networking and dialogue on Quality applications, tactical ideas and new exposure of the great companies in the Fox Valley Area.

What do we need?

Fox Valley Section members that can sponsor a tour at their company or business site. Contact help@asq-foxvalley.org to pursue this opportunity.



UPCOMING CERTIFICATION EXAM DATES

Please check exam dates & deadlines carefully as we will not make exceptions for late applications. All deadlines are at 11:59 p.m. US CST on the date specified.

Computer-Based Testing Dates

ASQ certification examinations are delivered by ASQ's testing partner, Prometric. The examination scheduling instructions in your eligibility letter will direct you to a section of Prometric's website, where you can select and schedule your examination date and location.

ODD-MONTH EXAMS

CQT, CQI, CRE, CFSQA, CMDA, CMQ/
OE, CSSBB, CSSYB, CSQP

| Testing Window | Application Deadline |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| *September 1 - 30, 2022 | Deadline Passed |
| November 1 - 30, 2022 | October 5, 2022 |
| January 1 - 31, 2023 | December 5, 2022 |
| March 1 - 31, 2023 | February 5, 2023 |

*The new CSSBB BoK and new CSSYB BoK will be tested in this window

EVEN-MONTH EXAMSEVEN-MONTH EXAMS

CQA, CQE, CQIA, CSQE, CSSGB, CQPA, CCT,
CPGP

| Testing Window | Application Deadline |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| *August 1 - 31, 2022 | Deadline Passed |
| *October 1 - 31, 2022 | September 5, 2022 |
| December 1 - 31, 2022 | November 5, 2022 |
| February 1 - 28, 2023 | January 5, 2023 |

*The new CSSGB BoK will be tested in the August 2022 window

*The new CQE BoK will be tested in the October 2022 window