



Saginaw Valley Quality Source

Saginaw Valley Section 1004 Meetings, Events, & Announcements

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Dinner Meeting Notice

Date: *Wednesday, November 14th*
Location: **Fire Mountain Restaurant**
4200 Miller Rd.
Flint, Michigan

Agenda:	6:00 - 6:30 pm – Social/Pre-meeting
	6:30 - 7:30 pm – Dinner
	7:30 - 8:30 pm – Speaker

Dinner Information:

Buffet dinner, including choice of beverage (coffee, hot tea, or soft drink) and gratuity.

Cost is **\$17.00** for members and **\$19.00** for non-members. Please RSVP using Section website page (<http://www.asq1004.org/forms/dinnermeetingreservationform.html>) or call and leave a message at 989.837.2610 by Monday, November 12th. Timely reservations ensure that the Section can continue providing value-added member programs within budget. **Recertification Units (RUs) available! Pre-meeting (0.1) and Main meeting (0.3)!**

Topic: The New Chrysler Quaat Program

Speaker: Mr. Damon Davie

About the Speaker ...
(ASQ)

Damon Davie has helped manufacturers and component suppliers think differently about Quality Systems for more than 15 years. Along with holding executive positions in Quality Engineering, Manufacturing and Purchasing, Damon is an experienced trainer and team leader within automotive and non-automotive sectors.

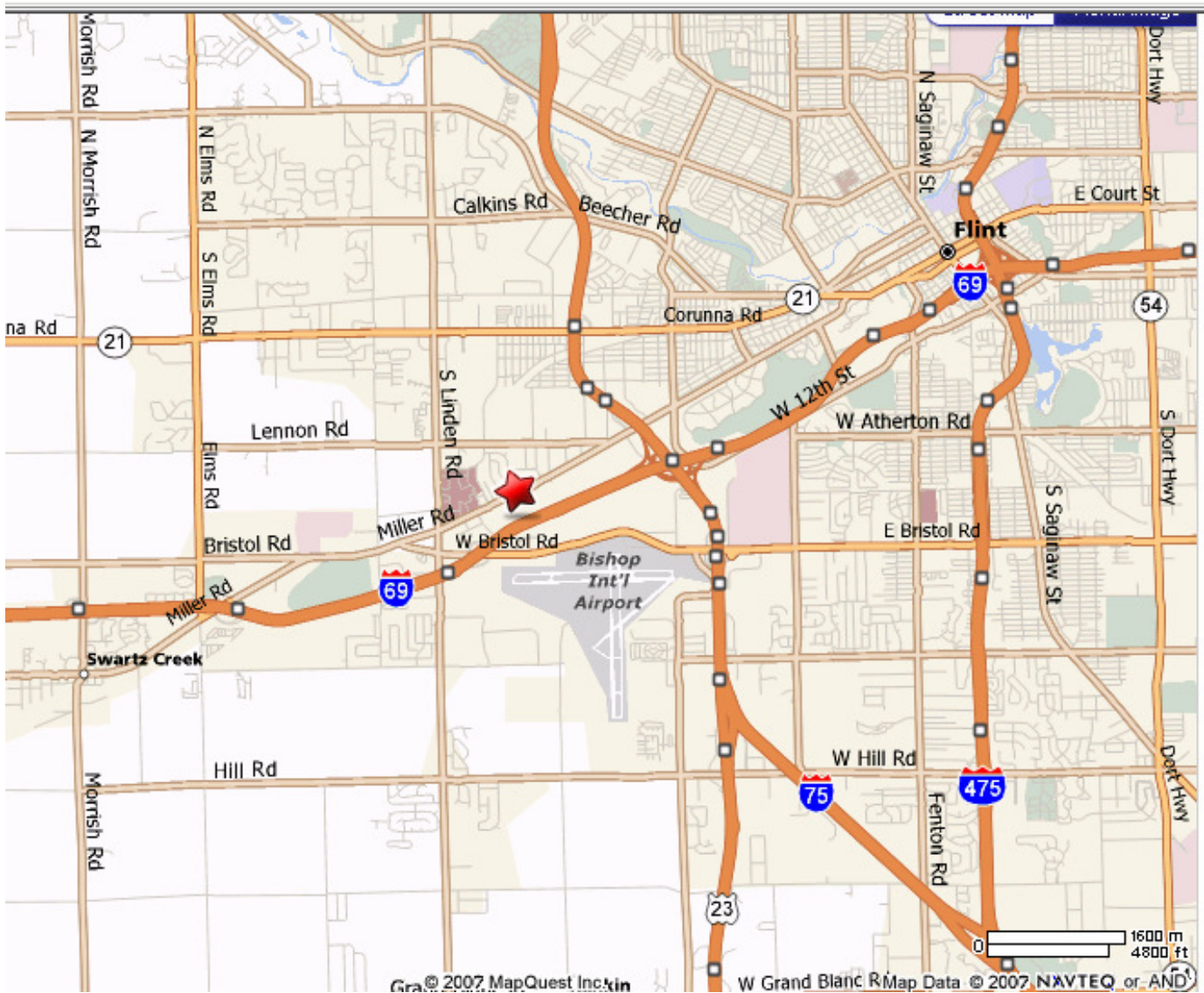
Abstract

Learn about Chrysler Group's Quality Assessment and Audit Team -- QAAT. This program is focused on working with suppliers to achieve broad-based improvement, the kind that gets to the root of the problem.

The process involves sending in three or four QAAT specialists, who form an integrated group with leaders from the participating supplier. This joint team conducts a detailed operational assessment and then develops a plan that addresses systemic issues. The QAAT project leader remains on site and begins working with the supplier to create improvement teams and work plans. This person is experienced in these areas, which expedites the improvement phase and adds a resource to the supplier organization. The troubles might eventually be traced to any number of areas, including product development, operations, procurement, material handling, or supply chain management.

The entire focus of QAAT is to improve quality and delivery. Chrysler Group invests its own resources and skills, and in turn asks the suppliers to provide support, from the assessment process right on through implementation of improvements.

Damon Davie, QAAT member, will review the Circle of Success, Most Common root Causes and the advantages of Layered Process Audits.



Fire Mountain Restaurant

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The New Vision of the American Society of Quality (ASQ)

By Cary Black

The world is changing. The elements of politics, culture, business, and global economics have evolved into a culture never before experienced.

ASQ leadership has recognized that in the face of this continuous change that ASQ must change as well. If ASQ is to remain the guiding light for Quality in the United States and even globally, a critical look at how we, as an organization currently function, as well as a visionary look ahead and how we need to function differently is required.

As part of efforts to embrace our future, and recognizing that it is necessary for our continued success, ASQ launched the Ideas to Action Gathering effort. The purpose of the effort was to glean ideas, perspectives, input, and direction from the whole chain of ASQ leadership. Section leaders, Forum leaders, Division leaders, and ASQ Headquarter leaders have met four times in the Ideas to Action Gatherings. The first meeting was held in October of 2004. The key premise of the Gathering was to pull section/forum/division leaders together from across the country to participate in and define the future direction of ASQ. I have attended the last three Gatherings on behalf of our chapter.

As the world changes so will ASQ's Membership.

Twenty years ago, 95% of the ASQ members were in the US, 95% were male, and 95% came from the manufacturing sector. Today 13.4% of the members are from the global community, 74.4% are male, and 25.6% are female.

Today, manufacturing comprises 48.8% of the member base. 19.5% hail from the Services Industries. Sectors from healthcare, education, and government are increasing in numbers and significance.

The mission statement of ASQ is as follows:

By making Quality a global priority, a business imperative and personal ethic, ASQ becomes the community for everyone who seeks quality concepts, technology, and tools to improve themselves and their world.

As part of the visionary goal, ASQ has defined the acronym: MOC1, where,

MOC1= 1 million members of the ASQ Quality Community.

The Ideas to Action Gathering now has become a vehicle by which communication at all levels can occur to drive the goal forward.

As part of our strategies at the section level to which we are aspiring are:

- 1) Participation in the national initiatives.

- 2) Striving for excellence.
- 3) Providing fundamental value to the members.
- 4) Benchmarking our progress.
- 5) Engaging our members through causes!
- 6) Providing resources for our members.
- 7) Reach out to other sectors as a resource for the Quality Sciences.

Part of what you will see at the Saginaw Section level is a renewed thrust to reach out to communities outside of the automotive/manufacturing sectors. We will be participating in the first revenue sharing based ASQ seminar covering the Cost of Quality. We have also been invited to participate in an ASQ based beta test for improving and providing quality within the educational arena. Additionally, we are actively seeking to expand our role as a Quality resource for the local Healthcare community. All of these efforts are being done while still retaining and expanding our key resource base in support of the manufacturing and the automotive sectors.

We are fortunate to have many talented members within our chapter. We invite every one of our existing members and potential new members to come participate in this exciting time for ASQ and the Saginaw Valley chapter. Help us evolve to become a key resource for our community.

If you have an idea for a good dinner meeting topic, or know of an organization that may benefit from our resources, let us know. Feel free to call any of us on the board with comments, suggestions, ideas and so forth. We want to hear from you!

Let's explore this awesome future vision together!

Sincerely,

Cary Black

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DINNER MEETING SCHEDULE 2007-2008

Date	Location	Theme	Speaker
September 12, 2007	Damon's of Saginaw	Systems Engineering	Jack Stein
October 10	Golden Dragon, Bay City	Healthcare Quality Improvement	Molly TerBush
November 14	Fire Mountain, Flint	The New Chrysler QUAAT Program	Damon Davie
December	<i>***No Meeting***</i>		
January 16, 2008	Damon's of Saginaw	Nanotechnology	Christine Eckerle
February 13	DoubleTree	TBD	TBD
March 12	TBD	TBD	TBD
April 9	Damon's of Saginaw	TBD	TBD
May 14	Tuscany Hall	Recognition	NA