

# Alaska Section 0608 American Society for Quality Newsletter

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## Meetings through May

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## Welcome to our website!



Our next meeting will be at SGS.

Join us on Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. 5:30 to 6:00 is a light dinner and networking time, 6:00 to 6:30 is Section business, 6:30 to 7:45 is the presentation. AT – 200 W Potter (near C street).

See more information at [www.asq-ak.org](http://www.asq-ak.org)

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*If you are interested in becoming a member, attending training classes, or requesting a specific type of training please contact Tom Sheffrey.*

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## The Alaska Section Goals

One of our first priorities as officers was to establish a mission and vision statement for our section.

### Vision:

- ◆ To obtain and deliver world class quality practices.

### Mission:

- ◆ To provide quality improvement through education, certification, goal setting, sustainability, and ethics.

Everything we planned for this year is based on these premises.

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## Educational Opportunities

We started a CMQ/OE study group on January 5 to study for the exam. There were 6 in the initial group, 2 opted out thinking to take the exam in September, 2 more dropped as work interfered with the test date. So that left 2 people to take the exam on March 5. Both Larry Blachut and I passed the exam.

## The next study group for this year is the CQA exam.

If you are interested in joining the CQA study group contact Tom Sheffrey as soon as you can. I am thinking the group will get together 4 times before the exam. **First meeting will be Tuesday April 19 contact me at [tom.sheffrey@bp.com](mailto:tom.sheffrey@bp.com) to sign up for the group.**

Also, we are designing a Performance Score Card Seminar to be held this spring as well. Peter Lang and Dr. Steve Wang will be coordinating that. More to come in future newsletters.

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## It is time to think about becoming an officer for the next year (July1 through June30)

If you would like to run for one of the three offices – which are: Chairman-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. Please let me know.

There are a number of appointed positions available as well if you did not want to run for one of the three offices above but wanted to be apart of the board.

Elections will be held in early May.

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## 2010-2011

### Officers:

- Chairman – Peter Lang / Lang Consulting
- Chairman Elect – Tom Sheffrey / Fircroft at BP
- Vice Chairman – Sherri Trask / SOA DEC
- Treasurer - Alan Muise/Holy Spirit Center
- Secretary – Teresa Lang / Lang Consulting

### Committee Leads:

- Arrangements – Joe Furrer / USAF Retired
- Auditing - Robby Robinson / Friendship in Serving Humanity (FISH)
- Certification – Anna Cline / CH2MHILL
- Database – Anna Cline / CH2MHILL
- Education – Dr. Steve Wang / University of Alaska Anchorage
- Education Co-Chair – Mike Engblom-Bradley / State of Alaska
- Examining – Steve Wang
- Historian – Robby Robinson / Friendship in Serving Humanity (FISH)
- Immediate Past Chairman – Robert Bowlus / BP
- Internet Liaison – Carla Williams / AES
- Membership – Robert Bowlus / BP
- Newsletter Editor – Tom Sheffrey / Fircroft at BP
- Nominating – Larry Blachut / CH2MHILL
- Program – open
- Publicity – Teresa Lang / Lang Consulting

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recertification – Anna Cline / CH2MHILL</li><li>• QMP – Maureen Pedigo / Blood Bank of AK</li><li>• Student Branch – open</li><li>• Webmaster – Urban Enkvist / CTG</li><li>• Community Liaison – Dick La Fevor / Crossroads Leadership</li><li>• Community Liaison – Shaune O’Neil / Public Works, Mat Su Borough</li></ul> <hr/> |
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