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**Mission:** ASQ Canada Edmonton Section adds value to ASQ membership and promotes quality in Northern Alberta through facilitating local access to information and education on quality principles, practices and experience, and by providing opportunities to share ideas and learning.

### Message from the Chair

### Dear Quality Professionals,

We plan to continue providing value to Quality community and also introduce new initiatives this year. As Chair of the Edmonton Section I would like to share some of our initiatives:

**Joint Event:** We have joined hands with 'Association for Advancement of Cost Engineers (AACE)' for the next Dinner Event on an excellent topic of "Cost of Poor Material Quality" (details follow in this newsletter) on February 19 – please mark your calendars.

**Study Groups:** We are planning on facilitating study groups for popular certifications with the help of certified members. Please contact our Education Chair - Atheer Jawad, if you are interested in participating or facilitating study groups.

**New member welcome package:** Based on feedback from new members joining us, we are developing a welcome package to provide information regarding ASQ, our section as well as important links. Our aim is to provide our new members with adequate and relevant information about Quality and how they can contribute. Please forward your suggestions to our Member at Large - Kim Belland.

We will continue to provide arrangement for certification exams locally and you may contact our Certification Chair - Vick Mehta for any information or assistance required.

We continue to reach out to our existing and new members through our website [ASQ Edmonton-LinkedIn](http://ASQEdmonton-LinkedIn). Please contact our Internet Liaison - Alma Siojo regarding our web presence.

Let us know if you have any concerns or suggestions for improvement. Our team looks forward to your participation and seeing you at our next event.

Sincerely,

**Puneet Manchanda**  
Chair ASQ Edmonton Section 0410  
Networking Opportunity

ASQ dinner events provide you an exciting opportunity to mingle with quality professionals including many working with some major market players in a variety of industries. The benefits of such interactions are not just limited to those looking for work or a career change in the field of quality. These events provide endless opportunities such as learning and exchanging ideas on topics related to career, Quality, recent trends in the field of Quality, etc. In a nutshell, ASQ Dinner events are the master key to open many locks you may be encountering!



### USEFUL LINKS

ASQ Edmonton Section 410  
[ASQ Edmonton Section 410 | LinkedIn](#)  
 Intro to quality, presentations, forums <http://elsmar.com/>  
 Society of Quality Assurance <http://www.sqa.org>  
 Intro to quality, quality standards  
<http://www.praxiom.com/>  
 ASQ's face book page, like us and join the posts.  
<http://facebook.com/ASQ>  
 Certified Quality Auditor Certification Preparation Course Offered by ASQ  
[http://asq.org/training/certified-quality-auditor-certification-preparation\\_COAASQ.html](http://asq.org/training/certified-quality-auditor-certification-preparation_COAASQ.html)

### Quality Quotes

Experience is simply the name we give our mistakes.

*Oscar Wilde*

If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.

*Murphys law*

Complexity creates confusion, simplicity focus.

*Edward de Bono*

The dumbest people I know are those who know it all.

*Malcolm Forbes*

Knowing is not enough; we must apply

*Goethe*

Try not to become a man of success but a man of value.

*Albert Einstein*

The starting point for improvement is to recognize the need.

*Masaaki Imai*

Change means movement.

Movement means friction.

*Saul Alinsky*

**Upcoming Event** Dinner meeting jointly with **Aurora-Edmonton Section of AACE** (Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering)

**When:** February 19, 2014

**Where:** University of Alberta Faculty Club, 11435 Saskatchewan Drive Edmonton, T6G 2G9

<http://g.co/maps/9h4xj>

**Cost:** \$ Student Members - \$10.00, Student Non-members- \$15.00, AACE & ASQ Members - \$20.00, Non-members - \$25.00

Registration - 5:45

Dinner - 6:15

Presentation - 7:00

Closing Remarks - 8:00

**Cost of Poor Material Quality:** Poor Material Quality has significant impacts on project cost through all phases of Design, Construction and Commissioning eventually shifting over to Operating budgets. Preventing quality issues early-on in a project through proactive and preventive measures assures the highest quality and lowest lifecycle cost. Quality can't be inspected into a project only planned in.

"The bitterness of poor quality is long remembered after the sweetness of low cost is forgotten"

**Guest Speaker:** Bill Forbes is currently Senior Manager for Enbridge's Major Project group located in their Edmonton, Alberta office and is responsible for overall Quality of Major Projects. A Professional engineer with over 30 years' experience in the Design Construction and Operation of pipelines and pipeline facilities

Bill completed a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon. Upon graduation worked for SaskEnergy joined Nova Gas Transmission in 1988 as a senior pipeline project engineer just prior to the extensive capital program expansion. Held extensive leadership positions within NOVA / TCPL / Enbridge, and at one point accountable for the project management of all Capital Projects within Nova involving pipelines from NPS-16 to NPS-48 and all Compressor Stations. Within Enbridge Bill led the Canadian portion of the Alberta Clipper, Southern Lights and Line 4 extension projects from preliminary development through to the submittal of the NEB application (\$2.6 billion project). In addition Bill was instrumental in creating the initial "Contingency" and "Escalation" models that are currently being utilized Enbridge wide for Major Projects. *Please preregister for the event by sending email to [Newsletter@asqedmonton.org](mailto:Newsletter@asqedmonton.org)*

### New study groups in Edmonton (SSBB & CMQ/OE)

Quality Professionals have shown keen interest in study group initiative.

Please contact Atheer Jawad [Education@asqedmonton.org](mailto:Education@asqedmonton.org) if interested.

### ASQ Training Resources

To support quality professionals worldwide in preparing their certification exams and day to day quality improvement activities, ASQ makes available various and methodologies at its on-line Knowledge Center at <http://asq.org/knowledge-center/index.html>. Also, ASQ provides on-site and web-based training on various quality topics and certifications at <http://asq.org/learninginstitute/index.html>. You can also order simulated ASQ Exams & Questions at (<http://cert.asq.org/certification/control/prepare>).