



Join Us For our February Meeting

ASQ La Crosse-Winona Section 1216 Meeting: February 17th at 5:30 PM

Where: Fastenal Test Lab and Calibration & Repair Tour

Address: 1801 Theurer Blvd. Winona, MN 55987

Website: <https://www.fastenal.com/web/en/13/a2la-accredited-calibration-and-lab-testing>

Dinner: Ground Round after the tour for social time and networking

Address: 405 U.S. 14, Winona, MN 55987

Cost: \$20 for members and/or guests (\$10 for Students)

Fastenal has been doing internal calibrations for almost 25 years and became A2LA Accredited to ISO 17025 in 1998. Since then they have developed an internal process that manages roughly 23,000 gages located in 30 different facilities all over the globe. Of those 23,000 gages, about 18,000 are sent back to Winona, MN to be calibrated and/or repaired annually. Since 2013 they began offering these same Calibration & Repair services for external customers.

This presentation with tour will touch on all of the capabilities that the Fastenal Test Lab has to offer that includes their Calibration & Repair services.

[Brief slideshow on Fastenal and the Quality role of the Test Lab & Calibration](#)

Tour of Testing & Calibration Labs

- Testing
 - Mechanical Property Testing
 - Charpy Impact
 - Chemical Analysis
 - Plating Thickness/Failure Analysis/Salt Spray
 - Torque Tension Equipment
 - Dimensional Testing Capabilities
 - Fatigue Testing
- Calibration
 - Basic Hand Tools
 - Torque Equipment

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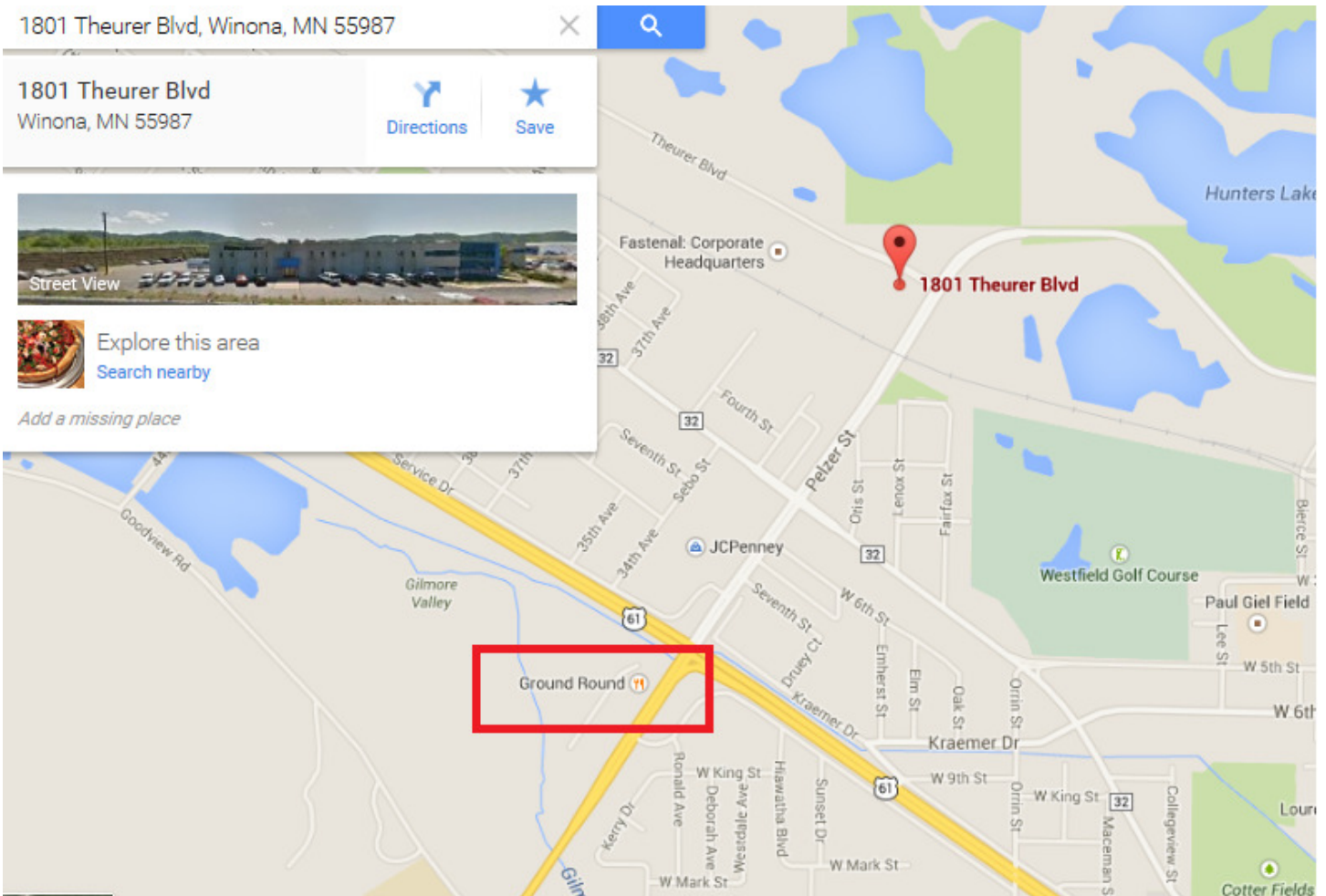


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Future Meetings

March 17 meeting will be a speaker

Presentation by:

Erick Wink

Owner of Lean Innovators LLC

“Successful Structure of a Lean Management System.”

Eric will share his lessons learned and the values associated with lean, and how improvement can be attained through a structured lean management system.

Eric received both his Bachelors and Masters degrees at UW-Stout. In 1995 he worked for a year at a stainless steel manufacturing plant (BUTTING Edelstahlrohre in Germany). He is an ASQ Certified Six Sigma Black Belt, and a Certified Manufacturing Technologist through the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME). Eric has worked with the following industries: Plastics, Food, Steel Fabrication, Electronics, Research, and Healthcare.

Probable location Elmaro Winery in Trempealeau WI

April 21st will be a Tour of Hal Leonard

A Print Publishing Company founded in 1947 of band and choral music with more than 200,000 available titles. Hal Leonard products are sold in more than 65 countries.

**Have Ideas for future Events? Please feel free to contact Tom Drackley,
Programs Chair**

Eastern Michigan University Lean 5S Tool

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LEAN-5S>

Introduction

The purpose of this study is to identify the factors impacting each of the phases of the lean 5S tool in manufacturing suppliers to the U.S. automotive industry and to determine if these factors vary according to selected key independent and organizational variables. The information gathered will be used to guide the development of strategies to improve the implementation of the lean 5S tool in the United States.

Confidentiality and Risks

Survey respondents will not be identified and will remain anonymous. Any reports of this research will only include information in aggregate form which will ensure confidentiality. There will be no risks for the participants.

Voluntary Participation

Participation in this survey is voluntary and respondents can opt out at any time.

Human Subjects Review Board

The research protocol and informed consent document has been reviewed and approved by the Eastern Michigan University Human Subjects Review Committee (UHSRC).

Incentive

All respondents are eligible to be included in a random drawing for a \$100 VISA card. To be included in the drawing, please follow the instructions at the conclusion of the survey. In addition, respondents may request a copy of the final research results by completing the information requested at the end of the survey

If you have any questions or concerns about this survey, please e-mail me at rkazmier@emich.edu or call me at 989-295-4210.

Certifications

<http://cert.asq.org/certification/control/index>

Why become ASQ certified?

Maybe the better question is to ask yourself why you would not become certified.

Benefits to you:

Provides Objective Evidence of Training and Competence
Source of professional and personal pride
Investment in career
Mark of technical excellence
Assurance that you are current with emerging technologies
ASQ certification is endorsed by more than 125 corporations
Better Position Yourself for Changes During Your Career.



ASQ certified professionals earn more money than their uncertified counterparts.

Examples:

Quality Manager / OE
Salary Non-certified \$86,909
Salary Certified \$94,846
Increase of \$7,937



Quality Engineer
Salary Non-certified \$73,085
Salary Certified \$78,644
Increase of \$5,559

Certification allows the time spent within ASQ to be effectively aligned and leveraged to the benefit of your career. The process of gaining certification exposes you to areas of quality tools and principles you may not have ever used or knew existed.

Benefits to your Company:

Investment in the company's future
Allows individual to perfect and share new techniques in the workplace
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Customers recognize ASQ certification as a plus to their supplier's ability to perform.

What it buys you

A Competitive Advantage
Peer Recognition
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Career Advancement
Demonstrated Proficiency in Quality



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Enhanced Career Opportunities
Enhanced Problem Solving Skills
Marketable and Transferable Skills

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Can be an one-time only examination for each certification by staying active in the Quality profession.

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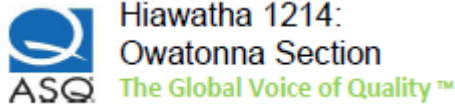


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To see what current meetings/events the Performance Excellence Network (formerly the Minnesota Council for Quality) is offering please visit <http://performanceexcellencenetwork.org/whats-happening/>



To see what current meetings/events the ASQ Minnesota Section 1203 is offering please visit <http://mnasq.org/events-calendar/>



ASQ 1216 Section Members receive a 10% discount on the below classes offered. Information and registration at [Classes: Business: ASQ](#)

COURSE NAME	DATE	TIME	HOURS	LOCATION	COST

















ASQ Lacrosse - Winona Section is excited to announce our Fall Class Schedule:

www.alphatc.com

Career Opportunities

If your company has current openings and would like to be listed please contact the newsletter editor Samuel Liesch

Company	Employment Website
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	http://www.bench.com/careers/Pages/Job-Search.aspx
	http://watlow.hrmdirect.com/employment/careers.php?
	http://www.hgst.com/company/employment/
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	http://www.inlandcareers.com/
	http://www.trueline-inc.com/Home.aspx
	http://www.duratech.com/employment.asp
	https://www.healthcaresource.com/logistics/index.cfm
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	http://www.oemfab.com/careers/

IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING!

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