

Hello ASQ Palmetto Section Members,

Here we are again, starting a new year of ASQ activities. The 2011-2012 season should be another exciting year. The executive board has once again put together another great line-up of speakers, pre-meeting training, and of course our annual plant tour. The full listing is available on our website, www.palmettoasq.org.

Next, I want to mention the national ASQ initiative to enhance member retention. Our membership team chaired by Sharon Bartelt has led the effort to improve our section's member retention. You can be proud that our Palmetto Section was in the top tier of all ASQ sections for member retention. Thank you for being a part of achieving that goal. Please let us know your ideas on what else we can do to improve our section.

Our dinner meetings will continue to be on the second Tuesday of each month (except for the February meeting which will be February 7), at the Holiday Inn located at I-85/Augusta Road. Please remember to RSVP in advance, via our website, www.palmettoasq.org.

Special thanks go out to our outgoing chair, Mercedes Bartow. Mercedes did an outstanding job in leading our section's efforts last year.

I look forward to seeing each of you during the coming year, and I hope you will make every effort to attend as many of our monthly meetings as possible.

Best Regards,
David Roberts