



## Inside This Issue

### SPECIAL INTEREST:

Chair's Message

RAMS® Upcoming  
Events

Section 304 Spring  
Quality Conference

Scholarship Award  
Recipients.

### INDIVIDUAL HIGHLIGHTS:

#### Inside

RAMS – 3 –

Spring Quality  
Conference – 4 –

Scholarship Award  
Recipients – 5 –

Meet our New  
Team – 5 –

# Chair's Message

As your 2017-2018 Electronics and Communication Chair, I welcome all of you to our division.

My goal is to help other people achieve their goals.

Making our members satisfied and helping them to stay in our division is very important to make our division the best in this world!

Today I would like to recognize some of my teammates, mentors and advisors,

Thank you, Marion Bize, immediate past chair for being my mentor. Marion is amazing and she is there when I needed her. I can call her, text her and email her. Because of her leadership, we received the Silver award recognition for 2016 Performance Award and recognition (PAR). This level was achieved by meeting the good standing requirements as well as meeting or exceeding the Member Leader Engagement, Member Value and an increase in member growth.

As recognition of our team's achievement, our leadership team are invited to attend the Member Leader Events prior to the 2017 World Conference on Quality and Improvement in Charlotte, NC. The Member Leader Events will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2017, from 8AM – 8PM and consist of the Ideas to Action Gathering (ITAG), Concurrent Training Sessions and the Member Leader Dinner.

Thank you, Charlie Plotkin, past chair, who never stop inspiring me to submit my ASQ Fellow for the third time.

Thank you to Sandy Liebesman, past chair, who encouraged and mentored me to apply for the ASQ Fellow and showing me how to apply. He is also a member of the 304 North Jersey Section

Most of all to David Fernald who welcome me to ECD with a very personal welcome letter that I still kept as a remembrance of my being part of ECD.

You are all great leaders and role models!

# CONTINUITY NEWSLETTER

---

2017 is a year of leadership change in our division, my goal is to help other people achieve their goals. Mel Downes has been elected as our Chair Elect, Marc Kelemen our Treasurer and Gertrude Martin our secretary.

Members are very important. Tell us your goals and how you want to contribute to our division.

Members are our foundation and making them satisfied to our service will increase our member retention.

We are here to mentor everyone every day and make all ASQ member matters.

We have a team of quality professional that are committed and ready to serve. We can all make a difference.

We are here to serve our member first, and help them fulfill their dreams to become quality professional.

We want to see all of you at WCQI on 1-3 May 2017 at Charlotte, NC. We are giving away some prizes. Come one come all and meet us at our booth # 723.

Together we can make ASQ the global voice of quality.

We have to keep moving forward and inspire everyone.

Lucy Kahn,

2017-2018 ECD Chair

## RAMS®

Plans are in full swing for the annual Reliability and Maintainability Symposium (RAMS®), which will be held at the Reno, Nevada on January 22-25, 2018.

RAMS® is the premier event in the reliability, availability, and maintainability engineering disciplines.

Make plans now to attend this exciting conference in Nevada. Registration opens in July, and one of your benefits as an ECD member is a discount on registration for RAMS conference.

All members of ECD are welcome to submit an abstract to the RAMS 2018.

Abstracts are due April 15<sup>th</sup>. Go to <http://www.rams.org/2017-call-for-papers-tutorials> for more details. ECD members that receive acceptance of an abstract and finalize the presentation papers are eligible for further opportunities such as a Best Paper Award. Contact [cplotkin@ameritech.com](mailto:cplotkin@ameritech.com) should you have any questions.

As you all know the General Chair for the RAMS conference is David Fernald and he would like to see more ECD Best papers submitted.

Please go to RAMS.ORG

# 39<sup>th</sup> ASQ North Jersey Annual Spring Quality Conference

39th ASQ North Jersey Annual Spring Quality Training Conference April 13, 2017 Conference is organized by the ASQ 304 North Jersey Section: <http://springqualityconf.org>

Location: Marriott Hanover, Whippany, NJ 1401 Route 10 east, near I-287.

Theme: "Quality Takes More Than Luck". You are going to like this conference. There will be approximately 17 speakers, four tracks, a keynote address, vendor area, continental breakfast, four-course lunch, ice cream break, and plenty of networking opportunities.

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Maurice E. Dawson Jr.**

**Featuring: Harry S. Hertz, Donald Wheeler, Eileen Newman Rubin, Jim Bowie, Kemi Sorinmade,**

**Irwin Silverstein, Stan Cherkasky, Eli Gordon, Dr. Margery Rose, Bill Reiss, Linda Herzog, James August, Ben Zhou,**

**Conference Brochure:** You should receive your brochure by January 28, 2017. If not, contact Conference Chair: Ms. Lucy Kahn at: [lkahn3@verizon.net](mailto:lkahn3@verizon.net) or Program Chair: Mr. Mike Parrillo at: [parrillosr@aol.com](mailto:parrillosr@aol.com)

**Exhibit:** For information about having an exhibit at the conference, contact Mr. Carl Perini via e-mail at: [cperini@njit.edu](mailto:cperini@njit.edu)

Registration: Contact Steve Becker at [swbecker3@comcast.net](mailto:swbecker3@comcast.net)

**For up-to date Information and Registration visit our Website at:**

[www.asqnorthjersey.org](http://www.asqnorthjersey.org) and [www.springqualityconf.org](http://www.springqualityconf.org)

**0.8 RUs WILL BE EARNED BY ATTENDEES**

**Mark Your Calendar Now.** Please share with other quality professionals at your company.

# Scholarship Award Recipients

We are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2017 ECD scholarship award.

Congratulation to our three scholarship recipients:

Sophie Fox, from Maplewood, NJ

Hannah Ayer, from Pickerington, OH

Kevin Spichiger, from Stamford, CT

Press releases for the three scholarship recipients are coming soon from our Scholarship Chair, Mr. Jim Spichiger.

If you missed this year's scholarship deadline, check the website and newsletter this fall for the 2018 scholarship.

## Meet our New Team

The elected officers for ECD for the next two-year term, January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018:

Immediate Past Chair: Marion Bize  
Chair: Lucy Kahn  
Chair-Elect: Mel Downes  
Treasurer: Marc Kelemen  
Secretary: Gertrude Martin

Immediate past chair and chair positions are automatic move-up roles within the office of the chair.

If additional candidates for the remaining positions are identified by submission of petition signed by 10 regular paid members, then an election will be held. Such petitions, if any, shall be submitted to Marion Bize, current immediate past chair and Nominating Committee chair at [mbize.tl9k@gmail.com](mailto:mbize.tl9k@gmail.com) no later than September 30, 2018.

### ECD Leadership Roster

Immediate Past Chair: Marion Bize Fujitsu Network Communications Richardson, TX  
Phone: 972-479-2157  
Email: [mbize.tl9k@gmail.com](mailto:mbize.tl9k@gmail.com)

Chair: Lucy Kahn North Bergen, NJ  
Phone: 201-861-2369  
Email: [lkahn3@verizon.net](mailto:lkahn3@verizon.net)

Chair Elect: Melvin Downes  
Phone: 973-216-0070  
Email: [mcscam@optonline.net](mailto:mcscam@optonline.net)

Treasurer: Marc Kelemen Avon, OH  
Phone: 440-567-6276  
Email: [nanomarc@wowway.com](mailto:nanomarc@wowway.com)

Secretary: Gertrude Martin Eules, TX  
Phone: 404-645-5077  
Email: [Mgertrude67@gmail.com](mailto:Mgertrude67@gmail.com)