



ASQ Youngstown-Warren Section 0805

Monday, September 11, 2017

Please join us on Monday, September 11th for an evening of sharing, learning, and networking. ASQ Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at Kent State Trumbull, 4314 Mahoning Avenue NW, Warren, Ohio 44483, in the Workforce Development/Student Services building, Room 203. ASQ members and non-members are welcome to attend free of charge. **Please invite your associates.** RSVP's requested.

Please **RSVP** by noon on Friday, September 8 to: 330.402.2187 or lisa.modispaugh@complog.com

5:30 – 6:00 pm: The 7 Main Principles of Beyond Continuous Improvement; Part 1

By Robert Skillman

6:00 – 6:15 pm: Break / Refreshments Light meal and refreshments will be served (\$5.00 per person)

6:15 – 7:15 pm: The 7 Main Principles of Beyond Continuous Improvement; Part 2

By Robert Skillman

The 7 Main Principles of Beyond Continuous Improvement (abstract)

The most important business of any business is to stay in business. Yesterday's model of "Continuous Improvement" is inadequate in today's business world. Continuous Improvement is evolutionary by its very nature. Although this is necessary and foundational, the evolution must be disrupted with revolutionary leaps in business and process innovation.

The most one can expect from Continuous Improvement is just to keep up, you don't get ahead by keeping up you get ahead by leapfrogging the competition.

Biography – Robert Skillman

Having a degree in metallurgy and extensive graduate studies in statistics, Mr. Skillman has 35 years of engineering and management experience in areas such as aerospace, automotive, nuclear and various service sectors including healthcare. During his career as a metallurgist he developed expertise in forging, casting, heat treating, machining, failure analysis, and new alloy development. He has authored two books, one on statistical methods for controlling manufacturing systems and a commissioned book regarding Geometric Dimensioning & Tolerance. He is a frequent speaker and author of many technical articles and papers.

His career went from various engineering and quality positions to Vice President. Mr. Skillman's corporate career was generally with large fortune five-hundred companies. In 1997 he left the corporate world to begin a second vocation as teacher and consultant. He has worked through and taught at Cleveland State, Tri-C, Lakeland Community College, Kent State University, Kavon International, ERC, and Excel Partnership.

Not limited to, his credentials include: Six Sigma Master Black Belt, CQE, CQA, RAB Certified, Lean Master Sensei and Statistical Analyst

Since beginning his consulting career he has worked with many corporations including Harley Davidson, Coca Cola, Parker Hannifin, L'Oréal, Colgate Palmolive, Northrop Grumman, University Hospital System, Altman and Summa Hospitals and many more.

Mr. Skillman developed and teaches the Lean / Six Sigma Black Belt and Master Black Belt Programs for Kent State University. His primary focus is to help companies reduce their production and service costs. This is accomplished through an exhaustive program of carefully connecting the Corporate Strategy to the tactics of Beyond Continuous Improvement.