

October 4, 2011 American Society for Quality Columbia Basin Section 614



## Tuesday, October 4, 2011

NOTE LOCATION:

Parsons TDFC 2926 East Ainsworth Street Pasco, Washington

Safety Requirements: No high heels or open-toed shoes (above the ankle footwear is preferred); no dresses/skirts. Safety glasses will be provided as needed.

Due to current work activities, all attendees must be U.S. Citizens. Photos are not permitted.

For this special site visit, we'll be having PIZZA and soft drinks.

5:30 p.m. - Check in/Networking

6:00 p.m. – Pizza!!

Tour starts at approx 6:30 p.m.

Cost: \$10 members/non-members

For planning purposes, reservations must be received by September 30. E-mail <u>dscoffey01@aol.com</u> with your name, phone number, company affiliation, or call Deborah at 375-5011.

**Note:** All no shows will be billed unless cancelled 48 hours in advance.

Directions to Parsons: In Pasco, from I-182 take Oregon Avenue southbound to Ainsworth Street, then take Ainsworth east to 2926 E. Ainsworth. If coming from Kennewick, cross the Cable Bridge northbound to E. Ainsworth Street (the first light after the cable bridge). Take Ainsworth eastbound to 2926 E. Ainsworth. The facility is on the right. (This is their new building – not the warehouse.)

For more information about ASQ and other upcoming events, please check our website at www.asq614.org/

## SPECIAL SITE VISIT

## PARSONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND FABRICATION COMPLEX



## Hosted by John Verderber, QA Manager

Many of you will remember John Verderber being our featured speaker at our section dinner meeting in March of this year. Now we have a great opportunity to tour the Parson's facility in Pasco, Washington and learn even more!

With an integrated system of design, engineering, fabrication, and testing, the Parsons Technology Development and Fabrication Complex (TDFC) excels in delivering first-of-a-kind products from concept to reality. Their one-stop shop designs, develops, and fabricates technology for high-end, small-lot production runs that result in unique fabricated items, systems, components, and equipment. They are also proficient in prototype technology development, systemization, and testing of systems to operational readiness.

Parsons' TDFC meets the requirements of NQA-1, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Section VIII, ISO-9001, and the Voluntary Protection Programs (VPP) Star status. The company prides itself on being a leader in providing first-class engineering, fabrication, and prototype services that meet rigorous safety and quality requirements.

Join us on October 4 for a tour of the Parson's facility in Pasco and to hear more about Parsons' quality philosophies, technologies and ground-breaking methods that have earned a number of awards, including the 2007 "Manufacturer of the Year" award from the Tri-City Industrial Development Council.

<u>About our Host:</u> John Verderber is currently the QA Manager for the Parsons Technology Development and Fabrication Complex, located in the Port of Pasco. His responsibilities include development, implementation and management of the overall QA/QC program at this facility. He is also responsible for ensuring that all fabrications are complete and have satisfied customer requirements. John joined Parsons in 2004 as a Senior QA Engineer and became the QA Manager in 2009. During that time, he also worked overseas in Baghdad, Iraq as QA Manager for the USACE Building, Health and Education Project, and in Amman, Jordan, in support of project closure for several US AID contracts.

Prior to his QA career, which included working with several Hanford contractors, John worked as a Mechanical Engineer for 11 years at various nuclear power facilities, including four years at the Columbia Generating Station. John holds a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Manhattan College and is a Parsons certified Lead Auditor. He has been an ASQ member for over seven years.