



## American Society for Quality Blue Ridge Section



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# Kaizen Blitz Half-Day Workshop

**Wednesday, April 22, 2009 – 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Plecker Workforce Center, Room P126-A**

**Blue Ridge Community College, Weyers Cave, VA**

### Workshop Description

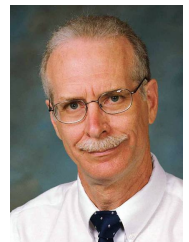
*Kaizen*, which literally means “change for the better”, is a process used for breakthrough improvement implemented as a project or event, using Lean tools and the Plan Do Check Act (PDCA) improvement cycle.

In this half-day workshop, instructor Tom Zbell will help attendees learn the Kaizen process and how it can help drive out waste and improve operational efficiency in your facility.

This practical, hands-on workshop will teach participants how to run a Kaizen event. Course content will cover:

- The Kaizen Concept
- The process for implementing Kaizen.
- Application of Lean tools.
- Interactive games demonstrating the value of 5S and standard work.
- How to conduct a simple time study
- The use of various forms before, during, and after a Kaizen event, including: Time Task Matrix, Kaizen Event 5S Audit Checklist, Kaizen Newspaper, Standard Worksheet, Time Observation Form, and Standard Work Combination Sheet.

**Tom Zbell** is a project manager based in VPMEP's Richmond office and serves as VPMEP's practice manager for Lean Enterprise. He is certified by NIST MEP (National Institute of Standards and Technology MEP) to deliver lean manufacturing techniques. Tom has almost 30 years of manufacturing experience leading to consulting expertise in areas such as process engineering, environmental health and safety, plant maintenance supervision, finishing, and tooling. Tom has an Associate in Science in Manufacturing Engineering from Waterbury State Technical College, a Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing Engineering from Utah State University, and a Master of Science in Organizational Management from Central Connecticut State University.



**Cost:** Working with VPMEP and Blue Ridge Community College, ASQ is able to offer a special price of \$40 for the first person attending from a company or organization, and \$30 for each additional attendee. Cost includes continental breakfast and snacks.

**Registration:** To register, contact Don Roderick at [don.roderick@mcquay.com](mailto:don.roderick@mcquay.com) or (540) 248-9428 no later than **Wednesday, April 8**. Cash or check payments (sorry, no credit or debit cards) will be accepted at the workshop registration. Checks should be made out to “ASQ, Section 1108”. Registration begins at 7:30 AM.

### Directions

The Weyers Cave Campus is located halfway between Harrisonburg and Staunton on Interstate 81. Take Exit 235 off Interstate 81. Turn west at the top of the exit ramp (Route 256). In a very short distance, Route 256 terminates onto U. S. Route 11. Turn left (south) on U.S. Route 11. BRCC Weyers Cave Campus is about a half-mile on the left.

Parking for the Plecker facility may be accessed by using the south entrance, beside the Criminal Justice Training Academy. [Directions](#)

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