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### ASQ Message from the Chair Fall 2021

Wow, I am looking at my last message saying, “Spring is Here”, and it is already Fall!!!

I hope everyone had a good summer! I can’t believe it went so fast!

We had a great first half of 2021!

We hosted two virtual meetings with great presentations from Ed Biernat on Bullet Proofing your Supply Chain and Hiloni Bhavsar on Never Let a Crisis go to Waste. Thank you, Franklin Allen, for developing the methodology to deliver these programs virtually!

We offered a Python for Quality Professionals course aimed at our data professionals seeking to enhance their skills. Thank you, Paul Yacci, for a superb job developing and delivering this valuable program!

This year we are excited to offer grant support to S.T.E.M (Science. Technology. Engineering and Math) for school programs. The communication has gone out, and we are looking forward for the applications to arrive. Thank you, Ted Skomsky and your team for initiating this program!

We are also offering our traditional scholarship programs to students in their college years. See the website for application information. James Bongard has graciously offered his expertise once again in continuing this program.

Our website has made significant strides in maintaining its accuracy, relevancy, and ease of navigation. Thank you, Bakir Bibezic for all your efforts!

An Impromptu Networking Session was held in June during a short-lived respite from the pandemic. It was great to finally meet many new and regular faces again in person at Jerimiah’s Tavern.

Now for the disappointing news. Our long-anticipated conference will have to be cancelled this year again due to Covid 19 resurgence guidelines from our National Organization. Rasa Clair and her committee have done an outstanding job selecting the venue, soliciting speakers, and organizing the agenda. Thank you to all on the conference committee who had everything ready to go! Stay tuned for more information as there is talk of potential virtual learning sessions as an alternative.

Many thanks also to Lori Cohen, Frazier Pruitt, and Virginia Carr for their crucial roles in keeping our organization running smoothly!



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Stay tuned for upcoming information on events for this fall! Please join us, we have a great team going, and there is always room for more!

And most importantly, Stay Safe!!!

Thank you so much!

Eric Alden