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"Presidents Corner"
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recap of the 2005
successes for the
chapter.**

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Our Next Chapter Meeting - January 10th

The program for January, "Project Cost Management using Earned Value" will be presented by Jamie Northrup, PMP.

As a project management professional, it is critical to know the answers to questions such as; Are we ahead or behind schedule? Are we under or over budget? What is the remaining work likely to cost? Identifying issues such as these are critical to a project's success. It is also critical as a project manager to be able to identify where problems are occurring, how critical problems are, and what it will take to get the project back on track? (*PMI 2005) Earned Value Management Methodology can help you answer these questions!

Jamie has served as a Sr. Manager, Program Manager, and Project Manager in the Aerospace Engineering, Telecommunications, and Academic Industries. He is an original OPM3 team member and OPM3 Second Edition Core team member. He is trained in CMMI through the Software Engineering Institute at Carnegie Mellon University and has taught technology classes as an adjunct professor with Kirkwood Community College.

* denotes adapted from the PMI Practice Standard for Earned Value Management.

Our Buffet Dinner will include:

- Assorted chilled fruit juices
- Golden scrambled eggs with Cheddar Cheese
- Crisp bacon & sausage links or Ham
- Breakfast potatoes
- Assorted Fresh Pastries with butter and preserves
- Fresh Sliced Fruit

Cost: \$10.00

Please RSVP no later than Friday, January 6th
to ProgramRegistration@pmieasterniowa.org.



Program

7:30 - 7:45 Breakfast/Social time
7:45 - 7:50 Opening by President Bob Sanders
7:50 - 8:40 Presentation by Jamie Northrup
8:40 - 8:50 Final Announcements and Wrap-Up

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VP of Operations
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President's Corner by Bob Sanders, PMP

I hope everyone enjoyed their Holiday's with family and friends and are ready to begin a new year. I am very excited about working with this year's PMI Eastern Iowa Leadership volunteers. We will meet for the first time as a group on January 21st to set goals and objectives for 2006 and to develop a roadmap so we can successfully accomplish them.

Last year was a very busy and productive year. I would like to thank the 2005 PMI Eastern Iowa Board for their dedication and hard work as a volunteer. In 2005, membership grew, financials were strong, and many individual and group accomplishments were achieved. The following information was presented at our Annual Business Meeting in December and I wanted to share it with all of our membership to show how your elected volunteers respectfully served you last year:

Membership (As of November 2005)

- 255 Members (19.2% increase)
- 133 PMP's (84.7% increase)
- Top Companies by Count:
 - Pearson - 102 (14.6% increase)
 - Rockwell Collins - 21 (50% increase)
 - Intermec - 15 (15.4% increase)
 - Aegon - 14 (180% increase)
 - Iowa Health Systems - 5
 - Perot Systems - 5 (150% increase)

Financials (As of November 2005)

- Exceeding income by 15%
- Spent only 55% of planned budget
- On pace to have a positive revenue vs. a planned negative revenue
- Improved cash flow by 12.4%

Drivers:

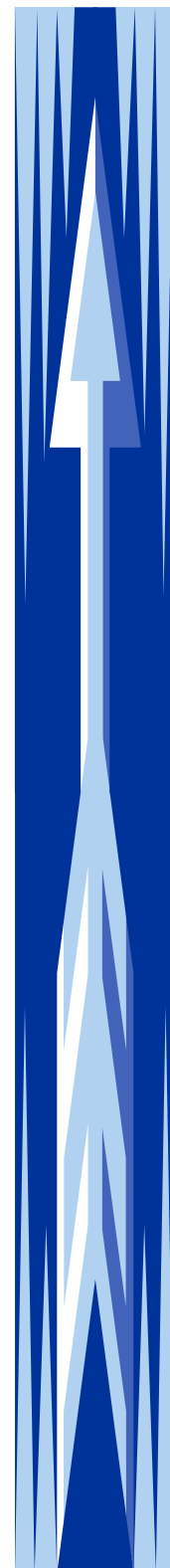
Income – Membership Growth and Professional Development

Budget – Website Development, Strategic/Leadership Initiatives, Programs

Accomplishments (As of November 2005)

- Restructured Board of Directors for 2006 and increased number of volunteers
 - 2005 – 10 volunteers (8 board members, 2 committee volunteers)
 - 2006 – 21 volunteers (7 board members, 14 directors...12 currently appointed)
- Rewrote the Chapter By-Laws
- Board Member attendance at PMI Leadership Conferences:
 - Regional Leadership Meeting in Chicago (Spring) – 2 board members
 - Leadership Congress in Toronto – 1 board member
 - Regional Leadership Meeting in Minneapolis (Fall) – 2 board members
 - OPM3 Leadership Meetings (Several) – 1 board member
- Offered Educational Courses:
 - Risk Management (2)
 - Project Planning and Execution using MS Project (2)
 - Introduction to Project Management (1)
 - Pipeline Planning and Resource Management using MS Project (1)
 - OPM3 for Organizational Execution (1)
- Arranged for 7 people to attend PMP prep courses with Pearson
- Offered monthly programs and networking opportunities:
 - Project Management relating to the University of Iowa's Kinnick Stadium Renovation by Hugh Berry
 - "Troubled Project Analysis - Common Project Failure Triggers" by Dugger Williams, PMP
 - "What does your business look for in a

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Web Site Statistics

Pages-URL (Top 20) - Full list - Entry - Exit					
46 different pages-url					
	Viewed	Average size	Entry	Exit	
/index.htm	196	4.08 KB	158	93	
/calendar.htm	76	16.76 KB	36	36	
/courses.htm	73	9.31 KB	30	30	
/pdu.htm	55	28.18 KB	37	45	
/Dixon.htm	34	9.44 KB	34	34	
/newsletter.htm	29	9.07 KB		5	
/docs/Resource+Management+Class+Flier+November+2005.pdf	26	25.38 KB	8	18	
/Dendurent.htm	24	3.10 KB	19	17	
/Membership.htm	19	12.56 KB	2	4	
/contacts.htm	19	3.65 KB	1	5	

December Program Recap

Nineteen brave souls thumbed their noses at the winter weather and managed to slip and slide their way to the Highlander in Iowa City to listen to Ted Garnett, the founder of Performance Resources Consulting LLC speak on the topic of "Ethics in Project Management".

Ted spoke about a principled basis for ethics in business.

He pointed out that 1 out of every 3 employees observe misconduct at work...that's the difference between what we say is common sense and what we see people commonly doing. Ted even quoted our own PMI Eastern Iowa by-laws to us. Does anyone know what pecuniary means?

Membership Update - by Glenda Dixon, PMP

PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter membership stands at **267**, with **137 PMP@s** and **1 CAPM@s**. Our top companies by member count are Pearson (102), Rockwell Collins (22), Intermec (16), and Aegon (15), Iowa Health Systems (5), and Perot Systems (5). Overall we have representation from 51 companies in our chapter.

New PMP@s: None.

New Members: We welcome: Kevin Baker (Pearson); Frank George (Nuclear Management Co); Ramona Heller (Pearson); Brian Wohlers, PMP (Duane Arnold Energy Center); Dan Zwack (Featherlite, Inc). . We are glad to have you in the PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter!

Renewing Members: Don Hartman (MCI); Rich Smith (Priority Management); Tammy Sweat(Pearson). Thank you for renewing your membership for another year.



Want to join PMI and/or our Chapter: Check out: <http://www.pmieasterniowa.org/Membership.htm>

Chapter transfers: If you have a need to transfer to another chapter because you have moved or relocated due to changes in employment or work locations, please contact componenttransfer@pmi.org.

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- Project Manager", Panel Discussion
- Gazette Print Plant Tour by Steve Schmitz and Ken White
- "Scope, Schedule, and Resource challenges of the Freedom Festival Community Event" by Nancy Wendler
- "Attitudes Towards Change, adapted from Who Moved My Cheese by Spencer Johnson, MD" by Bob Lohr
- "PMP Exam Changes and PMI Eastern Iowa Board Restructure Plans" by Jamie Northrup, PMP and Bob Sanders, PMP
- "2006 BOD Elections and Fun Night" hosted by New Horizons Learning Center
- "Identifying Project Goals and Objectives" by Rich Smith
- "Leadership from A to Z" by Debra Salz
- Developed Chart of Account to track/align costs with budget
- Changed financial institutions
 - No monthly fees
 - Doubled savings interest
 - Purchased CD at 4.0% interest
- Established a standard format for training publication submissions for the monthly newsletter as well as re-named the monthly newsletter to "100's Nugget."
- Added minor automation to the chapter website and currently have a new website in Beta Testing
- Established and implemented a Branding Guidance

Policy

- Established and implement a record retention policy
- Scanned all stored paper records and saved in PDF format
- 99% of records are financial records

Happy New Year to all of you and I hope to see each one of you soon at one of our upcoming events!

Sincerely,
Bob Sanders, PMP
President, PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter



Date	Time	Location	Topic
Jan 10th	7:30 am - 9:00 am	Clarion Cedar Rapids	Jamie Northrup, PMP will be presenting: "Project Cost Management using Earned Value"
Feb 14th	TBD	TBD	TBD
Mar 14th	TBD	TBD	TBD

Priority Management Training schedule

The following Priority Management sponsored professional development opportunities are available.

- Working Smart With Ms Outlook
- Working Smart With LotusNotes (NOTE: WEB Workshops are two 2 hour sessions)

Date	Course ID	PDUs	Location	Title
01/12/06	1161-TN060100	7	Web workshop	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
01/26/06	1161-TN060100	7	Cedar Rapids, IA	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
03/15/06	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop	Working Smart with LotusNotes
02/09/06	1161-TN060100	7	Web workshop	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
03/16/06	1161-TN060100	7	Web workshop	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook

Please find more details on our website at http://www.prioritymanagement.com/rsmith/workshop_schedule/ or send questions to rsmith@prioritymanagement.com.

New Horizons Training schedule

The following courses are available at New Horizons Cedar Rapids in the coming months.

- ILTL Foundations
- Project Management for Professionals
- Microsoft Project 2003- L1
- Microsoft Project 2003- L2
- Microsoft Project Management Scheduling Seminar Series: II of III- Contouring
- Project+
- PMP Exam Preparation for Project Management for Professionals
- Microsoft Project Management Scheduling Seminar Series: III of III- Things that make you go "Hmm"?

Date	Course ID	PDUs	Location	Title
1/17-1/18		-	New Horizons	ILTL Foundations
1/23-1/27		35	New Horizons	Project Management for Professionals
1/23/06		6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L1
1/24/06		6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L2
1/26/06		2	New Horizons	Microsoft Scheduling Seminar Series: II of III -Contouring
2/2006		19.5	New Horizons	Project+
2/13-2/15		19.5	New Horizons	Project Management for Professionals Exam Preparation
2/14/06		6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L1
2/15/06		6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L2
3/9/06		2	New Horizons	Microsoft Scheduling Seminar Series: III of III Scheduling Gaps, Fixed Duration, Things That Make you go Hmmm?
3/13/06		6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L1
3/14/06		6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L2

Please find more details on our website at <http://www.newhorizonscr.com> or send questions to

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