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### **Our Next Chapter Meeting - February 14th**

Our next chapter meeting will be held Tuesday, February 14th from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. at the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center at 525 33rd Ave SW, Cedar Rapids.

The February program, "How PM Experience Helped Me Become a Business Owner", will be presented by Laura Walton.

Laura was a former project manager at Rockwell-Collins. After being caught in the layoff process, Laura decided to make lemonade out of lemons. Laura's dream to become a business owner, coupled with her project management background, allowed her the ability to turn her vision into reality.

Laura's vision to open a spa, where both men and women could come for complete relaxation, began to emerge in the winter of 2003. In the summer of 2004, Laura opened the doors of Solace Spa in Cedar Rapids.

Laura engaged project management processes as she watched her dream turn into reality. Today, hundreds of satisfied customers continue to visit Solace Spa to find the tranquility they need after a hectic day.

Laura and her husband Craig have four children and 2 grandchildren. They reside in Cedar Rapids. In the summer of 2005, they bought the local magazine, City Revealed, which highlights local businesses and towns in the area.

Program Schedule

7:30 - 7:45 Breakfast/Social time

7:45 - 7:50 Opening by PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter President, Bob Sanders

7:50 - 8:40 Presentation by Laura Walton

8:40 - 8:50 Final Announcements and Wrap-Up



Our breakfast buffet will include:

- Assorted chilled fruit juices
- Golden scrambled eggs with cheddar cheese
- Crisp bacon & sausage links or ham
- Breakfast potatoes
- Assorted pastries with butter and preserves
- · Fresh sliced fruit

Cost: \$10.00

Please RSVP no later than Friday, February 10th to programregistration@pmieasterniowa.org.

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VP of Operations, PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter



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# President's Corner - by Bob Sanders, PMP

We had another excellent attendance number at our January Program Meeting!! Over 50 members and guests joined us for a wonderful breakfast meeting and networking opportunities. We were very pleased to see the number of guests at the meeting. I thank you for your attendance and hope to see you again at the February Chapter Meeting.

As a reminder to those attending the Chapter Meetings, it is very important that you register ahead of time. If you cannot make the meeting after registering, please cancel your registration. We make the necessary arrangements based on the number of registrations we receive and we can not recover the additional costs when a member or guest registers and then does not attend. Additionally, we can only accommodate a limited number of walk-ins. Although we do not want to turn anyone away at the door, those that have registered do have first priority on seating. There is a cost to the Chapter to accommodate the walk-ins and we could be charged each time a new table is set-up to handle the additional attendees.

Our 2006 PMI Eastern Iowa Board of Directors met in January to finalize our goals and objectives for 2006 and we approved the operational budget. The March Newsletter will outline the established goals for 2006 and a synopsis of all the networking and training opportunities that we plan to offer.

I hope everyone is enjoying this warm winter and has had the opportunity to get off to a good start in 2006!

Bob Sanders, PMP President PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter

# Membership Update - by Glenda Dixon, PMP

PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter membership stands at **269**, with **133 PMP®s** and **1 CAPM®s**. Our chapter has representation from 51 companies. Our top five companies by member count are Pearson (106), Rockwell Collins (25), Intermec (15), and Aegon (15), and Iowa Health Systems (7).

#### New PMP®s:

None to report.

#### **New Members:**

We welcome: Derric Duesenberg and Prakash Hanumaiah, PMP (MCI); Joyce Brophy and Michael Ingram (Pearson Government Solutions); Michael Hellman, Susan Ray, Heather Sprung and Jamison Winders (Pearson Educational Measurement); Ken Davis, Rajagopalan Raghavan, and Bob Clark (Schneider Electric). We are glad to have you join the PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter!

#### **Renewing Members:**

None to report.

Want to join PMI and/or our Chapter? Click through to our membership page located at <a href="http://www.pmieasterniowa.org/membership.htm">http://www.pmieasterniowa.org/membership.htm</a>

#### **PMI Chapter Transfers:**

If you have a need to transfer chapters because you have moved or relocated due to employment location changes, contact <a href="mailto:componenttransfer@pmi.org">componenttransfer@pmi.org</a>.



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# **Chapter Meeting Program Recap**

January 10, 2006 - "Project Cost Management using Earned Value" presented by Jamie Northrup.

Fifty-six people attended the first PMI meeting of the new year. This was an excellent turnout as Jamie presented Project Cost Management based upon Earned Value techniques. Jamie delivered a PowerPoint presentation and then challenged the audience with an exercise to help with the understanding of cost management.



### Chapter Meetings Schedule (subject to change)

	Date and Time	Location	Topic and Presenter
	Feb 14 - 07:30am		"How PM Experience Helped Me Become A Business Owner" by Laura Walton
	Mar 14 - TBD	TBD	TBD
	Apr 11 - TBD	TBD	TBD

#### **Web Site Statistics**

No update available this month.

### Chapter Sponsored Professional Development (subject to change)

The following chapter sponsored professional development opportunities are available.

Date	Time	Course ID	Cost	PDUs	Location	Title
03/20/06	5-9pm	C100-1500	\$125 PMI Member \$150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	Project Cost Management
04/17/06	5-9pm	C100-1600	\$125 PMI Member \$150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	Project Scope / Requirements Management and Change Control
05/15/06	5-9pm	C100-1700	\$125 PMI Member \$150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	Project Quality Management and Defect Detection / Prevention
06/19/06	5-9pm	C100-1800	\$125 PMI Member \$150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	Project Communications Management and Performance Reporting
07/18/06	5-9pm	C100-1900	\$125 PMI Member \$150 Non-Member	4	Tippie College Cedar Rapids	Project Procurement and Vendor Management

Send questions to <u>director.professional@pmieasterniowa.org</u>.

**Reminder!** North American congress call for presentation proposals ends 26 February. The call for presentations for PMI Global Congress 2006—North America is now open until 24.00 (GMT) 26 February. The 2006 congress will take place in Seattle, Washington, USA, from 21–24 October. The presentation submission page can be accessed through the PMI Global Congresses Web site. Due to several major changes in the submission requirements, please read the information on the introductory pages. Follow submission requirements carefully to avoid delay or preclusion of your proposal. Be sure to verify the information in your personal profile and add your cell phone number (if applicable) to your record. E-mail any questions to congressspeakers@pmi.org with the subject line: "Submission Question."



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# Priority Management Training Schedule (subject to change)

The following Priority Management sponsored professional development opportunities are available.

Date	Course ID	PDUs	Location	Title
02/09/06	1161-TN060100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
03/16/06	1161-TN0601000	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
03/15/06	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Lotus Notes
05/16/06	1161-TN060100	7	Cedar Rapids, IA	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook

Please find more details at <a href="http://www.prioritymanagement.com/rsmith/workshop\_schedule/">http://www.prioritymanagement.com/rsmith/workshop\_schedule/</a> or send questions to rsmith@prioritymanagement.com.

## New Horizons Training Schedule (subject to change)

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

Date	PDUs	Location	Title
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
4/27/06	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L1
4/28/06	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003- L2

Visit www.newhorizonscr.com, email events.cedarrapids@newhorizons.com, or call 319-294-9035 for more details.



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