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Welcome to our  
2007 chapter  
directors!

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## Our Next Chapter Meeting - December 12th

The December dinner meeting will be held Tuesday, December 12, 5:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Quality Inn & Suites Highlander Conference Center, 2525 North Dodge Street, Iowa City. The Quality Inn phone number is (319) 354-2000.

### Program: "Risk Management" by Jim Landis

Jim Landis is VP of Investment Management at Aegon. Jim has worked with several project managers and is well versed in the Risk Management arena. Jim has presented to several organizations and project managers on the need for a well defined Risk Management Plan and mitigation factors.

### Program Schedule:

5:45 - 6:15	Registration and social time
6:15 - 6:50	Dinner
6:50 - 7:00	Opening and announcements by Bob Sanders
7:00 - 7:45	Presentation
7:45 - 8:00	Wrap-Up

### Our Dinner Buffet Menu (subject to change):

- Grilled chicken breast
- Sliced baked ham
- Potatoes with butter & chives
- Green beans almandine
- Cottage cheese
- Tossed salad w/dressings
- Oriental salad
- Cheesecake dessert
- Dinner rolls & sweet rolls
- Coffee, tea or milk



### Cost:

\$20.00 to chapter members and guests.

Please RSVP no later than Friday, December 8th to  
[programregistration@pmieasterniowa.org](mailto:programregistration@pmieasterniowa.org).

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VP of Operations,  
PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter

## President's Corner - by Bob Sanders, PMP

Greetings,

I would like to personally introduce and welcome our 2007 PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter Directors. The following PMI Members have graciously agreed to dedicate their valuable time to be a leadership volunteer within our Chapter.



- Kristi Burkle, PMP – Director of At-Large
- Glenda Dixon, PMP – Director of Member Relations
- Barry Ehrig, PMP – Director of Professional Development
- George Hollins – Director of University Outreach
- Jim Nicoll, PMP – Director of Certifications
- Bhaskar Pulikal, PMP – Director of Individual Outreach
- Steve Sawyer, PMP – Director of Logistics
- Sandra Spengler – Director of Technology
- Brian Tompkins – Director of Website
- Sean Williams – Director of Corporate Outreach
- Jamie Winders – Director of Marketing
- Angie Zimmerman, PMP – Director of Volunteers

The 2006 and 2007 PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter Board of Directors appointed these individuals into their roles during the November Board Meeting. Their one-year terms will begin on January 1, 2007.

We are still in an immediate need for members to volunteer for the Director of Newsletter and the Director of Programs for 2007. All these volunteers will gain local professional exposure along with helping make the PMI chapter experience richer and more meaningful. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please contact a chapter officer (see our newsletter contacts page) to make your interest known.

Thank you for sharing your time and talents with us.

Bob Sanders, PMP  
President  
PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter

### A PDUs Reminder To Our Chapter's PMPs...

The calendar year 2006 is quickly coming to a close. Our chapter PMPs should review the Continuing Certification Requirements to correctly post their prior years' eligible activities for Professional Development Unit (PDU) credits. The following text is excerpted from the PMI Global website as a reminder to the Continuing Certification Requirements program.

#### What is the Continuing Certification Requirements program?

The PMI Continuing Certification Requirements program (CCR) supports the ongoing educational and professional development of individuals who have attained the PMP and/or PgMP credential(s), hereafter referred to as "certificants". The purpose of the CCR program is to:

- Enhance the ongoing professional development of certificants
- Encourage and recognize individualized learning opportunities
- Offer a standardized and objective mechanism for attaining and recording professional development activities, and
- Sustain the global recognition and value of PMI's credentials

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## Chapter Meeting Program Recap - November 14, 2006

**Program: "Conflicts in Project Management" by Brian Irwin**


Brian is the owner of PM Team Dynamics and presented the topic "Conflicts in Project Management." Brian identified how conflicts can hinder a project from moving forward. As he described, conflicts can range from personalities to different objectives, etc.

Total Attendance: 40

Guests: 4



## Chapter Meetings Schedule (subject to change)

	Date and Time	Location	Topic and Presenter
	December 12 5:45 - 8:00 PM	Quality Inn & Suites Highlander 2525 North Dodge, Iowa City	"Risk Management" by Jim Landis
	January 9 TBD	TBD	TBD
	February 13 TBD	TBD	TBD

## Check Out The PMI Global Website

Do you sometimes desire to know what is going on at the PMI Global level? Consider investing some time on the PMI global website ([www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org)) to learn more about PMI news items and events like the following:

- Open Call for Volunteers to for the PMBOK® Guide – Fourth Edition, Program Management and Portfolio Management – Second Editions project teams.
- Call for papers for the 2007 North America Global Congress is now open. The site will close December 31, 2006 at 24.00 GMT.
- PMI Global Board of Directors election results announced.
- Two new surveys are now online – strategic maturity and the effects of org culture and PM maturity on business performance.
- CEO questions and answers about strategy.
- The PMI Annual Report 2005, "Common Bonds" is now available online. Look for a print copy with the August issue of PM Network®.
- PMI Professional Awards 2006 Call for Nominations now open.

## Guess when PMI's 250,000th member will join.

PMI's 250,000th Member Race is underway and anyone may enter! The individual (member or nonmember) who guesses closest, without exceeding, the date and time that the 250,000th member joins PMI will be the winner. If no one guesses correctly, then the contest winner will be the individual who guesses closest without exceeding the actual time the 250,000th member joins. Visit the contest web page for information on rules, prizes, incentives and information on how members and non-members may enter the race. The sooner you enter, the better your chances to win.

<http://www.pmi.org/prod/groups/public/documents/info/250KMemberRace.asp>



## Membership Update

PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter membership stands at **297**, with **157 PMP®s**.

Our chapter has representation from 60 companies. Our top five companies by member count are Pearson (132 members, 76 PMPs), Rockwell Collins (22 members, 8 PMPs), Intermec Technologies (13 members, 9 PMPs), Aegon (10 members, 2 PMPs), and FPL Energy (9 members, 7 PMPs).

### New PMP®s:

Data update not available for this newsletter.

### New Members:

Data update not available for this newsletter.

### PMI Chapter Transfers:

If you have a need to transfer chapters because you have moved or relocated due to employment location changes, contact [componenttransfer@pmi.org](mailto:componenttransfer@pmi.org).

### PMI Member Contact Updates:

Contact the Director of Member Relations at [director.memberrelations@pmieasterniowa.org](mailto:director.memberrelations@pmieasterniowa.org).

## Web Site Statistics - Top Ten Most Active Pages

Pages by URL	Viewed	Average size	Entry	Exit
/index.htm	274	2.80 KB	218	129
/calendar.htm	54	23.79 KB	2	16
/courses.htm	48	10.31 KB	2	9
/pdu.htm	39	25.42 KB	9	18
/jobs.htm	30	4.66 KB	1	7
/contacts.htm	29	12.81 KB	2	13
/Membership.htm	27	15.25 KB	2	5
/documents.htm	23	3.08 KB	1	6
/TestTips.htm	23	2.22 KB	1	6
/newsletter.htm	21	11.96 KB	1	2

## A PDUs Reminder To Our Chapter's PMPs...

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In order to satisfy the CCR Program and maintain an active credential status individuals who have attained the PMP and/or Program Management Professional credential(s) must accrue and report a minimum of 60 professional development units (PDUs) during each CCR cycle, which is typically 3 years, complete an Application for Certification Renewal and payment of the renewal fee, and reaffirm PMI's Code of Professional Conduct.

### How do you keep your certifications current?

You can be certain that PMI's credentials will maintain their prestigious standing worldwide. This is due in part to PMI's tireless commitment to enforcing the highest standards and practices of its credentialed members. The Continued Certification Requirements (CCR) program is a vital part of that commitment. It ensures that individuals holding the PMP and/or PgMP credential demonstrate ongoing commitment to professional growth and development, a criterion of all high-end professional organizations.

Requirements and procedures for the Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR) program are outlined in the CCR Program Handbook, which is available on the PMI Global website - [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org).

## Chapter Sponsored Professional Development (subject to change)

The following chapter sponsored professional development opportunities are available.

Date	Time	Course ID	Cost	PDU's	Location	Title
12/11/06	5:00-9:00 PM	C100-2400	\$125 PMI Member \$150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	Introduction to Project Management
01/15/07	5:00-9:00 PM	C100-2500	\$125 PMI Member \$150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	OPM3 Workshop

Send questions to [director.professional@pmieasterniowa.org](mailto:director.professional@pmieasterniowa.org). Descriptions most courses above are available on the chapter website at <http://www.pmieasterniowa.org/courses.htm>. Registration form for December 11 class is available at the end of this newsletter. Note that registration is due December 4.

## Priority Management Training Schedule (subject to change)

The following Priority Management sponsored professional development opportunities are available.

Date	Course ID	PDU's	Location	Title
12/11/06	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
01/25/07	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
02/20/07	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
03/20/07	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
01/25/07	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Lotus Notes
02/22/07	1161-TN060100	7	Cedar Rapids, IA	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
03/27/07 – 03/29/07	1161-PMB00020	21	Cedar Rapids, IA	Project Management Breakthroughs

Please find more details at [http://www.prioritymanagement.com/rsmith/workshop\\_schedule/](http://www.prioritymanagement.com/rsmith/workshop_schedule/) or send questions to [rsmith@prioritymanagement.com](mailto: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	PDU's	Location	Title
12/04/06	19.5	New Horizons	Project Management for Professionals Exam Preparation
12/04/06	19.5	New Horizons	Project Management for Professionals
12/04/06	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003 – L1
12/05/06	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003 – L2
02/13/06	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003 – L1
02/14/06	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003 – L2

Visit [www.newhorizonscr.com](http://www.newhorizonscr.com), email [events.cedarrapids@newhorizons.com](mailto:events.cedarrapids@newhorizons.com), or call 319-294-9035.

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**Note that our 2007 officers and directors contact details will be updated in our January 2007 newsletter.**



**Course Description:**

**Introduction to Project Management Workshop:** The class introduces and provides participants a detailed understanding of the project management framework and concepts including the project management process areas, and the 9 knowledge areas. It details organizational structures and leadership / management principles necessary to form the project team. Participants will “understand through use” all 44 project management processes through a series of class exercises and case studies. Participants will initiate, plan, execute, control, and close a project plan. They will perform scenario based integration management with scope, time, cost, and quality management. They will understand how resource management best practices must be in place for a project team to function successfully. Participants will review the professional responsibility domain, code of conduct, and cultural sensitivity in International Project Management. Repeated use of scenario based project management cost formulas will ensure that participants have much more than a “classroom” understanding of these foundational costing methods. Participants will also have a “hands on” understanding of critical path.

**Learning Objectives:** Understand the breadth of Project Management! Each student will understand the concepts necessary to formally manage projects and pursue the Project Management Professional certification. Attendees who are Project Management Professionals (PMPs) will receive 4 Professional Development Unit (PDU) credits with the PMI under category 4. For those who are not PMP certified, this class carries 4 Contact Credit hours with the PMI.

**Course Date & Location:**

December 11 (5:00pm – 9:00pm)  
Kirkwood Community College  
Nielsen Hall Room 212  
6301 Kirkwood Blvd. SW  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406

**Instructor:**

**Jamie Northrup, PMP** is a Program Manager at NCS Pearson in Iowa City, Iowa. A graduate of the University of Iowa, Jamie holds a BA Degree in Business Administration: Management Information Systems. He is certified as a PMP through the Project Management Institute, and is trained in CMMI through the Software Engineering Institute at Carnegie Mellon University. Jamie has also taught technology classes as an adjunct professor with Kirkwood Community College.

**Cost:**

The cost of the December 11 “Introduction to Project Management Workshop” class is \$125.00 for chapter members and \$150.00 for non-chapter members. There are no prerequisites to this course and all of the materials will be provided. Please make checks payable to: PMI, Eastern Iowa Chapter.

Please mail checks to: P.O. BOX 1811, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401-1811.

This form must be completed, mailed, and received by COB December 4<sup>th</sup> 2006. In addition to sending in the form please send an e-mail to [trainingregistration@pmieasterniowa.org](mailto:trainingregistration@pmieasterniowa.org) so that we can reserve your seat.

Please forward any questions or concerns to [director.professional@pmieasterniowa.org](mailto:director.professional@pmieasterniowa.org).

Required Sign-up Information		Introduction to Project Management Workshop	
Name, First, MI, Last:		PMI ID #:	
E-mail:		Phone #:	
Company:			