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Our Next Chapter Meeting - July 10th

This month's chapter breakfast meeting will be held Tuesday, July 10, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center at 525 33rd Ave SW in Cedar Rapids. The Clarion Hotel and Convention Center phone number is (319) 366-8671.

Program: "Every PMP Can Implement OPM3" by Jamie Northrup

This month's topic is, "Every PMP can Implement OPM3". Since the inception of the Organizational Project Management Maturity Model (OPM3) in 2003 many organizations have shown interest in the model. However many of these same organizations get intimidated by the depth and complexity of the model, and there is very little guidance out there to help organizations with OPM3 implementations. This presentation gives internal and external practitioners and consultants "tried and true" tools, tips, and guidance that they need to implement OPM3 in any organization that manages work through projects. People leaving this presentation should resoundingly exclaim, "Every PMP Can Implement OPM3!"

Program Schedule:

7:30 - 7:45 Registration, breakfast, and social time

7:45 - 7:50 Opening by chapter president / chapter officers

7:50 - 8:40 Presentation

8:40 - 9:00 Final announcements and wrap-up

Our Breakfast Menu (subject to change):

- Scrambled eggs
- Sausage
- Hash browns
- Toast
- Regular / Decaf Coffee / Hot Tea
- Milk
- Fresh fruit

Cost: \$10.00 to chapter members and \$15.00 for quests.

Please note that the Chapter's attendance policy has changed to include a registration fee for all attendees. This is different from the previous policy of allowing attendees who were not eating to attend free of charge.

If you have not done so already, please RSVP no later than Thursday, July 5th to programregistration@pmieasterniowa.org. Once you send a RSVP, cancellations **must** be sent and received by noon, Monday, July 09 to avoid your being invoiced as a no-show for this chapter event.

Steve Sawyer, Director - Logistics PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter



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President's Corner - by Darin Hart, PMP

Chapter Members and Guests,

It is hard to believe that it is already the first of July. I hope that everyone is having a wonderful summer and has been able to enjoy the relatively cool summer we have had so far. The end of June also brings about the completion of the first 6 month's of my term as President for the Eastern lowa chapter. I have enjoyed serving as President and look forward to the next 6 months of my term and being able to continue to work on the goals I established at the beginning of the year.



Even though we still have 6 months left in the year it is already time for us to begin our annual process of elections to the Board of Directors. In the June Board of Directors meeting Bob Sanders, our current Past President, was appointed to lead the 2008 nominating committee. Over the next few months Bob will be establishing the nominating committee, looking for chapter members interested in running for a position, and over seeing the elections in September. Stay tuned for additional details about the elections coming from Bob and the nominating committee.

Our chapter is run by volunteers and wouldn't be where it is today without the tremendous volunteers we have had in the past. Whether you have thought about running in the past or not, I invite any chapter member who has an interest in running for one of the board of director positions to contact Bob at past-president@pmieasterniowa.org. Someone from the nominating committee will follow up with you to discuss your interest. If you are unsure about taking the leap into a Board position we are also looking for chapter members interested in filling one of the 14 director positions that are appointed each year.

Thanks in advance for your consideration in volunteering for a leadership role with the Eastern Iowa Chapter. If there is anything I can do to help with your decision or answer any questions please send me an email at president@pmieasterniowa.org.

Darin Hart, PMP, 2006 President, PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter

Kansas City Mid-America PMI Chapter - PDD September 10&11 2007

The 6th annual "Professional Development Days" is being planned by the PMI Kansas City Mid-America chapter. A wide array of professional development opportunities from traditional lecture-type training to workshops with exercises to networking opportunities with other project managers is offered. The event represents sixteen exciting speakers and thirty interactive workshops over two days in September. Fourteen PDU's are available for any PMP's attending the entire conference. The 2007 KC-PMI Professional Development Days web site is now up: http://www.kcpmichapter.org/pdd07.html.

Get Noticed — Eastern Iowa Chapter Shirts Are Available For Order



Our Eastern Iowa Chapter of PMI is pleased to offer chapter-branded shirts for sale to its members. The Shirt Order Form is available at the end of our 100's Nugget and on the chapter website, and provides the options and instructions for ordering the two styles of shirts being offered: a long sleeve woven shirt (\$30) and a short sleeve knit golf shirt (\$28). Options include Ladies and Unisex (male or female) cut, sizes from extra small to triple X, and many color choices to fit your current wardrobe. Embroidery design choices are PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter and PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter - PMP Certified.

Completed Shirt Order Forms and checks can be mailed to the chapter PO Box on the form. Comments and questions should be emailed to director.certifications@pmieasterniowa.org.



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Getting To Know Our Chapter Leadership Roles

Come back next month to learn more about our chapter roles.

Important Notice To Our Chapter Members

We need your help with your personal email addresses and other contact details!

As a member, you are requested to keep and update personal contact data within the PMI Global membership records. This contact data is made available to our Chapter so that we may update our membership records, including our email distribution listings.

At some point over the last several months, our email domain (pmieasterniowa.org) has been "blacklisted" by msn and hotmail as being a SPAM source. As a result, we are no longer able to successfully send our chapter email communications to msn and hotmail email addresses.

If you are (or intend on) using msn or hotmail for your PMI registered email address, we need for you to choose another provider. PMI members should login to the PMI Global membership site and adjust your membership preferred email address to an email address provided by someone other than msn or hotmail.

Thank you,

Doug Williams, PMP, VP of Communications and Publicity

PMI Passport Newsletter - June 2007 - Articles To Check Out

The following is are excerpts from the June 2007 PMI passport newsletter to be found on the PMI Global website at http://www.pmi.org/passport/june07/

Keep It Up

"To improve results, just add a boost of morale." by Janet Liao

A little motivation goes a long way, and it's up to project managers—particularly Project Management Professional (PMP®) credential holders—to take the lead.

"As a PMP, you are given the injunction by PMI to use that credential to let your customers and team members know you're excited about projects," says James Comstock, PMP, an instructor for Comstock Communication Concepts, Lone Tree, Colorado, USA. "You have to instill that same morale in your team members."

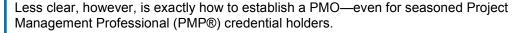


Check out the PMI Passport Newsletter to read the whole article.

Structuring for Success

"Establishing a PMO? Here are some things to think about first." by Malcolm Wheatley

It's obvious why organizations choose to establish project management offices (PMOs): They boost performance by monitoring the project portfolio and serving as a repository of best practices.



Check out the PMI Passport Newsletter to read the whole article.



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Chapter Meeting Program Recap - June 12, 2007

Round-Table Discussion – Topic "Risk Management" facilitated by Jacqueline Krain and Tammy Sweat, PMP

Jacqueline provided an overview of the basic needs for overall risk management: a risk register, common vocabulary, scheduling software and a communications plan. Groups were formed for open discussion and lessons learned were reported back to the audience.

Attendance: 42 Guests: 1 Walk-ins: 14 No Shows: 13



Chapter Meetings Schedule (subject to change)

55	Date and Time	Location	Topic and Presenter
	July 10 7:30 - 9:00 AM	Clarion Hotel & Convention Center, 525 33rd Ave SW, Cedar Rapids	"Every PMP Can Implement OPM3" by Jamie Northrup
	August 14 7:30 - 9:00 AM	Clarion Hotel & Convention Center, 525 33rd Ave SW, Cedar Rapids	"What your project team ISN'T telling: asking the right questions to get the right answers" by Timothy Johnson
	September 11 5:45 - 8:00 PM	TBD	"Develop a Healthy Project Plan from the Start" by Doug Williams

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) to learn more about PMI news items and events like the following:

- ISO/TC 223 announces PAS N036 is available for public review and comments.
- SeminarsWorld® project management courses coming to a city near you. Just added... Memphis, TN October 2007.
- PMI Calls for 2008 Other Board Committees.
- Are you part of an exceptional project management organization? Nominate them for PM Network®'s October 2007 Outstanding Organizations in Project Management feature.
- To learn about other project management events, view the 2007 PMI Professional Development catalog.
- Mark your calendars for the PMI Global Congress 2007 North America in Atlanta, GA.
- This year PMI Global Congress 2007 Latin America will take place in Cancun, Mexico.

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



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Membership Update

OH BOY!

We are so close to the 300 members count! Help us achieve 300 by asking just one friend to become a new member this month.

The PMI Eastern lowa Chapter membership stands at **299**, with **155 PMP®s**. Our chapter has representation from 60 companies. The top five are listed below.

- Pearson Educational Measurement, 97 members, 55 PMPs)
- Vangent, Inc (formerly Pearson Government Services, 22 members, 14 PMPs)
- Rockwell Collins (24 members, 11 PMPs)
- Intermec Technologies (17 members, 11 PMPs)
- Aegon (13 members, 2 PMPs)

An interesting chapter statistic - 52% of our members are PMPs.

New PMP®s:

No update to report.

New Members:

Welcome New Members: Todd Griffith, Color Web Printers; Subu Nagarajan, PMP, EDS; Josh Brodeur, Dan Levengood, Jill Jungs, Laura Walton, and Penni West, Geonetric; Laura Lightcap, Intermec Technologies; Joe House, Schneider Electric; Eric McClintock, Pearson; John Meyer, PMP, Rockwell Colllins; and Rick Russ, Yellowbook USA.

Welcome Back:

No update to report.

PMI Chapter Transfers:

If you have a need to transfer chapters because you have moved or relocated due to employment location changes, be sure to update your membership data at the PMI global website, www.pmi.org.

PMI Member Contact Updates:

Update your membership data at the PMI global website, www.pmi.org.

Membership Notices

PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter Email Address Changes

We have made changes to the email addresses for all of our director roles. Part of this is to work around the email command that prompts some email clients you may using to not like the period that existed within the old email address prefixes (i.e. director . newsletter). Our newsletter's Contacts page lists the updated email addresses.

Chapter Meeting PDUs Updated

The PMI global website is updated through May for the monthly chapter meeting PDUs. PMPs should remember to log their PDUs as soon as they earn them. This helps to remember what one may have done throughout the PMP earnings period.

Chapter's Attendance Policy Reminder

Please note that the Chapter's attendance policy has changed to include a registration fee for all attendees. This is different from the previous policy of allowing attendees who were not eating to attend free of charge.

We are also enforcing the meetings no-show policy for those that submit a RSVP. Once you send a RSVP, cancellations **must** be sent and received prior to the cancellation date and time indicated in the meeting notice in order to avoid being invoiced for the meeting.



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Chapter Sponsored Professional Development (subject to change)

The following chapter sponsored professional development opportunities are available.

Date	Time	Course ID	Cost	PDUs	Location	Title
07/16/2007	5-9 pm	C100-2900	125 PMI Member 150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	OPM3 Workshop
08/20/2007	5-9 pm	C100-3200	125 PMI Member 150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	Project Resource Management and Soft Skills
09/17/2007	5-9 pm	C100-3300	125 PMI Member 150 Non-Member	4	Kirkwood	Six Sigma Project Quality Management

Send questions to professional@pmieasterniowa.org.

Priority Management Training Schedule (subject to change)

The following Priority Management sponsored professional development opportunities are available.

Date	Course ID	PDUs	Location	Title
07/19/2007	1161-TN060100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
08/23/2007	1161-TN060100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
09/11/2007	1161-TN070100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Lotus Notes
09/20/2007	1161-TN060100	7	Web workshop at your desk	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
10/11/2007	1161-TN060100	7	Cedar Rapids, IA	Working Smart with Microsoft Outlook
10/23 - 10/25/2007	1161-PMB00020	21	Cedar Rapids, IA	Project Management Breakthroughs
10/26/2007	1161-TN061161	7	Cedar Rapids, IA	Working Smart with Microsoft Project

Please find more details at http://www.prioritymanagement.com/rsmith/workshop_schedule/ 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
07/09/2007	19.5	New Horizons	Project Management for Professionals Exam Preparation
07/13/2007	6.5	New Horizons	Project Management Fundamentals
08/6/2007	19.5	New Horizons	Introduction to Project Management
08/15/2007	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003 – L1
08/16/2007	6.5	New Horizons	Microsoft Project 2003 – L2

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



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PDU University Series

(Course Value: 4 PDUs)

Everyone Can Implement OPM3!

Course Description:

OPM3 Overview Training: This class was developed to give organizations a thorough understanding of the Organizational Project Management Maturity Model (OPM3®). The purpose of PMI's OPM3 is to provide guidance for improving organizational project management processes. The OPM3 places proven practices into a structure that helps your organization assess its organizational project management maturity in terms of industry best practices and capabilities. It establishes priorities for improvement and guides the implementation of these improvements.

Learning Objectives: To understand the importance of having standardized Project Management Processes within your organization. It gives participants a thorough comprehension of the OPM3 methodology (process framework, processes, best practices, capabilities, outcomes, and associated KPIs). The class ensures that participants apply OPM3 principles to meet the needs of their organizations.

Course Date & Location:

Monday, July 16 (5:00pm – 9:00pm) Kirkwood Community College Nielsen Hall Room 229 6301 Kirkwood Blvd. SW Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406

Instructor:

Jamie Northrup, PMP 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.

Cost:

The cost of the July 16 <u>"OPM3 Overview Training"</u> 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 make checks payable and mail to:

PMI, Eastern Iowa Chapter, P.O. BOX 1811, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401-1811.

This form must be completed, mailed, and received by COB July 09, 2007. In addition to sending in the form please send an e-mail to trainingregistration@pmieasterniowa.org so that we can reserve your seat. Please forward any questions or concerns to professional@pmieasterniowa.org.

Required Sign-up Inforn	nation	
Name, First, MI, Last:		PMI ID #:
E-mail:		Phone #:
Company:		

PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter

Shirt Order Form

(One [1] each shirt per form. Please check-off desired shirt options.)

Name:_____ Phone:_____ Email:_____

Long Sleeve, Woven Shirt \$30.00	or	Short Sleeve, Knit (Golf) Shirt \$28.00	
Unisex, Long Sleeve, Woven Shirt		Unisex, Short Sleeve, Knit Shirt	
Ladies, Long Sleeve, Woven Shirt		Ladies, Short Sleeve, Knit Shirt	
Color:		Color:	
Black		Black	
White		White	
Light Stone		(Dark) Stone	
Royal (Blue)		Faded Blue	
Light Blue		Light Blue	
Navy (Dark Blue)		Navy (Dark Blue)	
Classic Navy (Very Dark Blue)		Classic Navy (Very Dark Blue)	
Red		Sunset Red	
Burgundy (Red)		Burgundy (Red)	
Dark Green		Yellow	
Size:		Size:	
XS = Xtra Small		XS = Xtra Small	
S = Small		S = Small	
M = Medium		M = Medium	
L = Large		L = Large	
XL = Xtra Large		XL = Xtra Large	
XXL = 2 Xtra Large		XXL = 2 Xtra Large	
XXXL = 3 Xtra Large		XXXL = 3 Xtra Large	
Tall size - optional for Unisex L to XXXL		Tall size - optional for Unisex L to XXXL	
Embroidery Design:		Embroidery Design:	
PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter		PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter	
PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter, PMP Certified		PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter, PMP Certified	

Notes:

Tall size is optional for Unisex L to XXXL. Please ask for availability of additional sizes not listed.

Shirts will be delivered at chapter meetings following completion by shirt vendor. Prices are inclusive of taxes.

Payment must accompany order; make checks payable to: PMI Eastern lowa Chapter.

Mail check and this order form to: PMI Eastern lowa Chapter

Shirt Order PO Box 1811

Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1811