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May is a month for remembering and celebrating. We remember our fallen heroes and celebrate our mothers, summer is just around the corner, and everything is starting to grow and bloom.



Remember and honor those who paid the ultimate price serving our country on Memorial Day.

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## 2009-2010 Elections have begun – VOTE NOW!!!

### Online – In Person – Via Mail

What an exciting election year for the Portland Chapter! There are so many great people in our chapter wanting to be a part of the next PMI year serving as elected board members. Your help is needed to determine the board of directors that will ably serve you and bring the superior level of programs and events that you have come to expect.

All positions have a named candidate with many having more than one which is the reason we need your vote. Click [here](#) to view each candidates profile. There is space for each board position to write in a different candidate if you choose. All write-in votes for candidates not currently on the ballot must be chapter members in good standing to count.

Vote now for the Board of Directors serving in the upcoming term which starts July 1, 2009. There are several options available to assist in the voting process:

- [Print](#) the ballot included in this newsletter, cast your vote, and mail it in or bring it to the May Chapter dinner meeting.
- Cast your vote [online](#).
- [Pick up](#) a ballot at the May 19, 2009 Chapter Dinner Meeting and place completed ballot in ballot box at dinner meeting

**The election closes at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 2009.**

The newsletter and the electronic ballot provide links to a voter's pamphlet to let you meet the candidates and learn of their portfolio responsibilities. Candidates must be members in good standing of the Portland Chapter of PMI.

Voters must be members of PMI. Your PMI membership number is required on the ballot for validation.

As next year's President, I want to personally thank you for taking the time to determine the leadership for the 2009-2010 PMI Portland Chapter.

*Rachel Paulson, PMP, President-Elect*

## Chapter Meeting

May 19, 2009

### [Keynote Presentation:](#)

Take Time to Smile, by Perry Gruber

### [Educational Presentation:](#)

"Living" with Sponsors and other Stakeholders, by Pat Garrett, PMP

[Register online](#) by Mon. 05/18/2009 (10 am)

### [Sponsored by:](#)



[Click here for meeting logistics](#)

## The President's Corner

Wow, it is May already. This board year is winding to a close very quickly and we have a lot of activities planned to wrap up the year.

First and foremost are the elections for the next board year. Nominations are in and elections are open. Vote!! We have a good turnout for elections this year with several positions with two candidates—this is your chance to participate in selecting the chapter leadership and show support for those who volunteer their time and energy to ensure the chapter stays active and relevant.

Marketing has organized a special Taking the Work out of Networking event for May 12. Come out and enjoy an evening of good company networking with project managers and staffing professionals. Be sure to bring your resume to get some immediate feedback from recruiters.

Neal Whitten's No-Nonsense Advice for Successful Projects focusing on leadership and soft skills is scheduled for May 28. See the website for details. For those at the dinner meeting in April, you will know that Neal Whitten comes very highly recommended by our own Jeff Oltmann, VP At Large.

The spring PMP Prep course finished up May 16. Congratulations to all of you who have worked hard over the past weeks to further your career and knowledge of project management. Good luck with your PMP test! Thank you to the instructors who have volunteered their time to share their expertise to help others further their project management careers.

We continued to keep the bar high with our recognition of Volunteer of the month for April. Kevin Nichols has done an

outstanding job as our Director of Registration for the last two years. His responsibilities include setting up the registration table for each of the chapter meetings, training the volunteers who work the table at each of the chapter meetings, creating the name tags and attendance lists each month. Thank you Kevin for your unfailing warm welcome to the members attending the dinner meetings.

Take care and I hope to see you at our May 19 Dinner Meeting. Perry Gruber will be presenting the key note address: Take Time to Smile. Pat Garrett, PMP will present the pre-dinner education presentation: "Living" with Sponsors and other Stakeholders. We will also provide a short annual business meeting reporting on the state of the chapter.

Be sure and set a reminder in your calendar for the June dinner meeting. The date is changed to June 9 and you will want to be there for the Excellence in Project Management Awards (EPMA) presentations.

Check the website for more interesting information and details on any of the activities I have talked about: [www.pmi-portland.org](http://www.pmi-portland.org). Don't forget to check the May schedule for roundtables in your area.

Happy Mother's Day!

Thank You,

*Dianne Johnson, PMP*

*President*

### Looking for dinner meeting presentations?

Go to our website and select **Member Resources > Meeting Handouts** from the menu bar.

## Our Meeting Sponsor

PMI-Portland extends a heartfelt "Thank You" to **Portland State University, Professional Development Center** for its recognition of the importance of professional development for project managers and sponsorship of this month's chapter meeting.

The **Professional Development Center at Portland State University** offers Oregon's leading program of project management courses designed for working professionals. We have an established reputation for high quality programs and student satisfaction. Our instructors teach from real-world project management experience to provide a highly interactive and engaging classroom experience to accommodate the diverse backgrounds and job descriptions of our participants. The skills, knowledge, and tools are immediately applicable and are drawn from a variety of approaches to project management in order to fit the various needs and sizes of organizations our students represent.



## Events Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat / Sun
4	5 Board Meeting	6 <b>ELECTIONS-</b> Balloting Open!	7	8 NW Roundtable	9 10
11	12 PMI Pdx Networking Event	13 <b>VOTE !!!</b>	14 PMF Breakfast Central Oregon Roundtable	15 Corvallis Meeting	16 17
18 <i>Online reg. closes for Chapter Mtg.</i>	19 <b>ELECTIONS-</b> Balloting Closed! NE Roundtable <a href="#">PDX Chapter Meeting</a>	20 Salem Lunch Meeting	21 WEST Roundtable PMF Luncheon Eugene Meeting	22 NORTH Roundtable	23 24
25 <b>Volunteer !!!</b>	26	27 DOWNTOWN Roundtable	28 <b>WORKSHOP-No</b> Nonsense Advice for Successful Projects	29	30 31
1	2	3	4	5 SOUTH Roundtable	6 7
8	9 PMF Seminar—Working Effectively w/ China	10	11	12 NW Roundtable	13

For details, click here for the [PMI PDX Web Calendar](#)

### Earn Portland State University's Project Management Certificate

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Oregon's leading program of project management courses designed for working professionals. The program provides:

- Crucial balance of soft and hard skills to lead and manage projects effectively
- Credentials employers have recognized for 20 years
- Quality training with a reputation for a high degree of student satisfaction
- Practical content for immediate application
- Expert instructors and interactive curriculum
- Convenient locations with complementary parking available



Learn more at [www.pdc.pdx.edu/projman](http://www.pdc.pdx.edu/projman)



## Keynote Presentation

## Chapter Meeting

### Take Time to Smile

Chances are when you were in school you didn't say to yourself "Wow, I'm going to be a project manager!" Instead it was a series of unexpected and likely unplanned events that led you to where you are today. In Take Time to Smile, Servant Leader Perry Gruber will share thought provoking new perspectives on how you got to where you are, keys to creating high performing teams, the role what we call "coincidence" plays in our lives and how these new perspectives can increase joy, passion and vitality at work and other life areas. Told with compelling examples and real-life stories, Perry makes a compelling argument that connecting with one's deepest, truest self can open up unexpected and expectation-surpassing possibilities.

#### About the Presenter

Perry Gruber is the founder of Perry Gruber Limited, a socially responsible company that delivers stunning, content-rich and memorable keynotes presentations and events on consciousness, leadership, optimism and how to create high performing work teams to create lasting competitive advantage. A devoted student of spirituality, consciousness and leadership,

Perry has developed a unique and inspiring, optimistic view of why people exist, and how they can consciously co-create a continuously unfolding universe to their individual and collective benefit. An MBA graduate from George Fox University, Perry continues his personal spiritual journey and deep personal introspection spanning more than 35 years. Perry's career includes an eight year stint at Intel Corporation, nine years at the Bonneville Power Administration and nine years in the United



States Marine Corps. He is an award winning speaker who presents to universities, conferences, associations and businesses. Perry is available to speak at your organization. Contact him at [www.perrygruber.com](http://www.perrygruber.com).

### Did you know?

Chapter Meeting pre-registration is preferred, but you can always register the night of the event. There is an additional \$5 fee for walk-in registration. Contact [registration@pmi-portland.org](mailto:registration@pmi-portland.org)

### May Menu

Traditional London Broil: Thin Sliced Flank Steak with Rich Peppered Demi-Glace, Buttermilk Fried Walla-Walla Onions and Red Potato Mash

## Professional Development News

### PMI-Portland Mentoring Helps Shift Happen

Perceptions play a large part in our daily activities. Our perceptions of our colleagues, clients, tasks, and work performance can enhance or cloud our judgment. This impacts our decisions greatly. Confiding with a mentor can give a twist on perceptions, and help us make the right decision.

My favorite part of a business trip is the take off from Portland. I've usually spent a lot of time to get the house and pets in order before leaving, and wrapped up tasks with clients to give some breathing room. To soar above the landscape and experience the aerial view gives me a new perspective to everything. I think differently when out of my routine at the office. I see things in a new way and it seems easier.

Having a mentor gives that same change in perspective. Do you have you an experienced and trusted advisor? PMI-Portland is just completing our first pilot of a formal mentor program with stunning results.

*"The Mentoring program helped me find someone who I could support their professional development and show them a little bit about my perspective. The experience has been and will continue to be rich for the both of us."* - Matthew Horvat, Mentor

A small group was selected for the pilot - 6 pairs of people. The plan for the fall is to have at least 10 pairs, but with the interest 15-25 seems reasonable. Typically the mentor/protege team meets every other week for an hour or so. Kay Pexa, the director of the program has provided a structure (with the professional guidance of Jean Richardson) to help assist with facilitating the conversation. The relationships have proven useful by everyone involved. Allocating time has been a challenge - mentors are usually very busy people.

*"I think once the hour is scheduled and the call or visit is accomplished, the outgoing smiles, laughs or lighter shoulders is doubly worth the sacrifice we made to make it happen."* - Pam Banning, VP of Professional Development

Anyone interested in joining should download the application at the volunteers section of the website and contact [mentor@pmi-portland.org](mailto:mentor@pmi-portland.org).



## March \* Membership News

### Thanks Chapter Renewals

Acosta, Nattpan	Kinningham, Robert
Allen, Christine	Kitchin, Roger
Anderson, Susan	Klein, Bruce
Avery, Lisa	Lanier, William
Balachandran, Aparna	Leatherwood, John Paul
Barnes, Cindy	Lodhia, Promod
Beddow, Francesca	Mathers, Brandon
Beres, Jennifer	McLennan, Andrew
Bidstrup, Melissa	Melton, Phillip
Blake, Bryan	Minor, Earl
Bronson, Scott	Mullany, Patrick
Brower, Gary	Murray, Jacquie
Brown, Derrick	Nelson, Gerard
Brown, Randall	Newkirk, Oliver
Calonge, Gay	Nicholson, Elise
Carpenter, William	Nutt, Angela
Carr, Kathleen	Perkins, Thomas
Carstens, Jay	Pfeifer, Janine
Caton, Jeffrey	Philipp, Andreas
Charles, Curtis	Phillips, Sheryl
Chin, Bill	Plowman, Kathryn
Chyau, Randall	Reid, Pam
Codron, Jack	Riel, Cheryl
Coleman, Jeanelle	Roberts, Charles
Coleman, Thomas	Rose, Deborah
Connolly, Kimberli	Rosenblatt, Bruce
Cooksey, Cheryl	Sathler, Carlos
Cunningham, Sheri	Scantlebury, Brett
DePalma, Joan	Schmidt, Echo
Dieter, Robert	Schotthoefler, FNU
Dunn, James	Schumm, Susan
Franzen, Sheila	Sharratt, Tanya
Freeman, William	Spack, Eric Micheal
friel, james	Stewart, Teresa
Gibbons, Jeannette	Stoltenberg, Kathleen
Girsberger, Robert	Sullins, James
Gist, Karen	Taylor, Kathy
Gonzales, Loida	Ternes, Duane
Grasle, Kelly	Tillery, David
Gregoire, Mary Jo	Turner, Robert
Hackett, Julie	Vingerud, Jon
Hall, Matt	Wagner, Shelley
Harris, Gregory	White, Garrison
Heffner, Patricia	Whitehead, Nyla
Henderson, Carrie	Wilcox, Christine
Hickey, Joseph	Wilson, David
Hill, John	Wright, Sarah
Iliyn, Paul	
Jarrett, Jeff	
Johnson, Dale	
Jones, Jerrie	
Jorgensen, Teri	
Kaczmarek, Patricia	
Karsten, Ronald	

### Congrats New PMPs

Anderson, Michael PMP  
 Chin, Gladys PMP  
 Coleman, Jeanelle PMP  
 Foreman, Sandra PMP  
 Godhana, Kamal Rajesh PMP  
 Hensler, John PMP  
 Latto, Linda PMP  
 Martocello, Adrienne PMP  
 Patange, Pravin PMP  
 Prochaska, Darrell PMP  
 Rossman, Michael PMP  
 Updenkelder, Matthew PMP



### Welcome New Members

Alderman, L.  
 Anderson, Scott  
 Arnason, Philip  
 Aust, Ken  
 Calora, Jose Martynov  
 Chirdon, Paul  
 Chow, Peter  
 Cobb, Eva  
 Crawford, Ian  
 Galland, Melissa  
 Gilchrist, Michael  
 Haladay, Scott  
 Hinds, Melanie  
 Hodge, Dennis  
 Howard, Holly  
 Kirkpatrick, Brady  
 Krostoski, Kelley  
 Langston, Mark  
 Law, Marco  
 Lazarus, Jon  
 Lindstrom, Robert  
 McMahon, Liam  
 Meador, Maureen

Moriarty, Liam  
 Oster, Jami  
 Philips, Sheldon



Rainey, John  
 Ruiz-Osuna, Jose  
 Saltares, Laura  
 Saripalli, Ravi  
 Short, James  
 Srivastava, Payal  
 Taggart, Phil  
 von Euen, Peter  
 Wenneson, Greg

\* Membership information is provided to the chapter monthly by PMI Headquarters. There may be a 1 to 2 month delay due to newsletter publishing constraints. Contact PMI Headquarters at (610) 356-4600 or [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org) to change or manage your membership information.

### New Member Meeting

Held during the Chapter Dinner meeting.  
 We meet directly after the Educational Presentation (5:35-same room) so attend it, stick around and meet some new folks!

## Educational Presentation

## Chapter Meeting

***“Living” with Sponsors and other Stakeholders***

As Project Managers, our lives would be much improved if our sponsor and other stakeholders simply said (and meant), “Build whatever you want, at whatever cost and schedule, and we will be happy with it”. But that is not our reality. Instead, we have to “manage” the desires and fears of our sponsor and other stakeholders. Join us for a discussion of what we want our sponsor and other stakeholders to do, what we don’t want them to do, the barriers we may encounter, and some suggestions on how to break through those barriers.

**About the Presenter**

Pat Garrett has over 25 years of experience managing and consulting on Information Technology projects and programs. During her career she has worked primarily in the healthcare, manufacturing, retail sales, telephony, transportation, and law enforcement industries. For the last ten years she has also been developing and teaching project management, business analysis, and MS Project courses, plus volunteering her services as a

speaker on project, program, and portfolio management.

Pat has been a certified Project Management Professional (PMP®) since 2000, is the Director of the Enterprise Project Management Office for COMSYS. She was selected by PMI® to serve in the role of Component Mentor for 2008-2010 for all PMI® Chapter Presidents in the northwest (Alaska, Western Canada, Oregon, Idaho, and Northern Utah). In previous years she has served as President, Past President, VP Certification, and VP Professional Development for the Puget Sound Chapter. She served as one of five members of the PMI® Congress Participant Action Team for the 2006 North American Congress and is currently a member of the ANSI Technical Advisory Group that is participating in the development of the ISO standard for Project Management.



A professional photographer will be on-site to document Chapter Meeting events and activities. Photos are the sole property of PMI Portland. By registering for or attending these events, attendees understand that all photos may be used for promotional purposes.

***Upcoming Chapter Meetings***

**JUNE 9 (DATE CHANGE)  
SEPTEMBER 15**

***Chapter Meeting Logistics***

- 4:00 Registration Table Opens
- 4:30 [Educational Presentation](#)
- 5:30 Networking
- 6:30 Dinner and Announcements
- 7:00 [Keynote Presentation](#)



**Map**

**Doubletree Hotel**—Lloyd Center

1000 NE Multnomah

Portland, OR 97232

(503) 281-6111

**Free Parking -  
request a pass at  
the Reg table**

- **PMI Members** - Keynote Presentation \$25, Educational presentation \$10, Both for \$35
- **Non-Members** - Keynote Presentation:\$30, Educational presentation \$10, Both for \$40
- **Student Members** - Keynote Presentation \$10
- **Student Non-Members**—Keynote Presentation \$15
- **Keynote Presentation only** (without meal) - \$12

**Pre-register for best price!** Price is \$5 more at the door.

**No refunds within 24 hours of the meeting**

Contact the [Director of Registration](#) for registration questions.

***Mastering Program Management - 2 day******Workshop! June 3-4, 2009***

Instructor/Authors:

Russ Martinelli

Jim Waddell

***Getting Great Requirements – 1 day******Workshop! June 5, 2009***

Instructor/Facilitator:

Debra S. Lavell

Early Bird until May 1 - Group Discounts Available.

Read more about these interactive workshops and

Sign up now at:

[www.innovationframeworks.com](http://www.innovationframeworks.com)

*Earn 1 PDU for attending!*

## Portland Area Roundtables

### NW Breakfast Roundtable

#### Con-Way

2055 NW Savier, Portland

Ask at desk for room

2nd Friday 7:15-8:45 am

### NORTH Breakfast Roundtable

#### Clark Public Utilities

1200 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver

Community Room

4th Friday 7:15-8:45 am

### Roundtable Sign Up Process!

It only takes 3 minutes—  
see website for details.

### NE Breakfast Roundtable

#### The Portland State Office Building

800 NE Oregon Street, Portland

Room 1C-30

3rd Tuesday 7:30-8:30 am

### WEST Breakfast Roundtable

#### Nike World Headquarters, Beaverton

Nolan Ryan Bldg,

Air Huarache, 1st Floor

3rd Thursday 7:30-9:00 am

### DOWNTOWN PDX Roundtable

#### Unitus Plaza

1300 SW Sixth Ave., Portland

Community Room, 4th floor

4th Wednesday 7:30 am

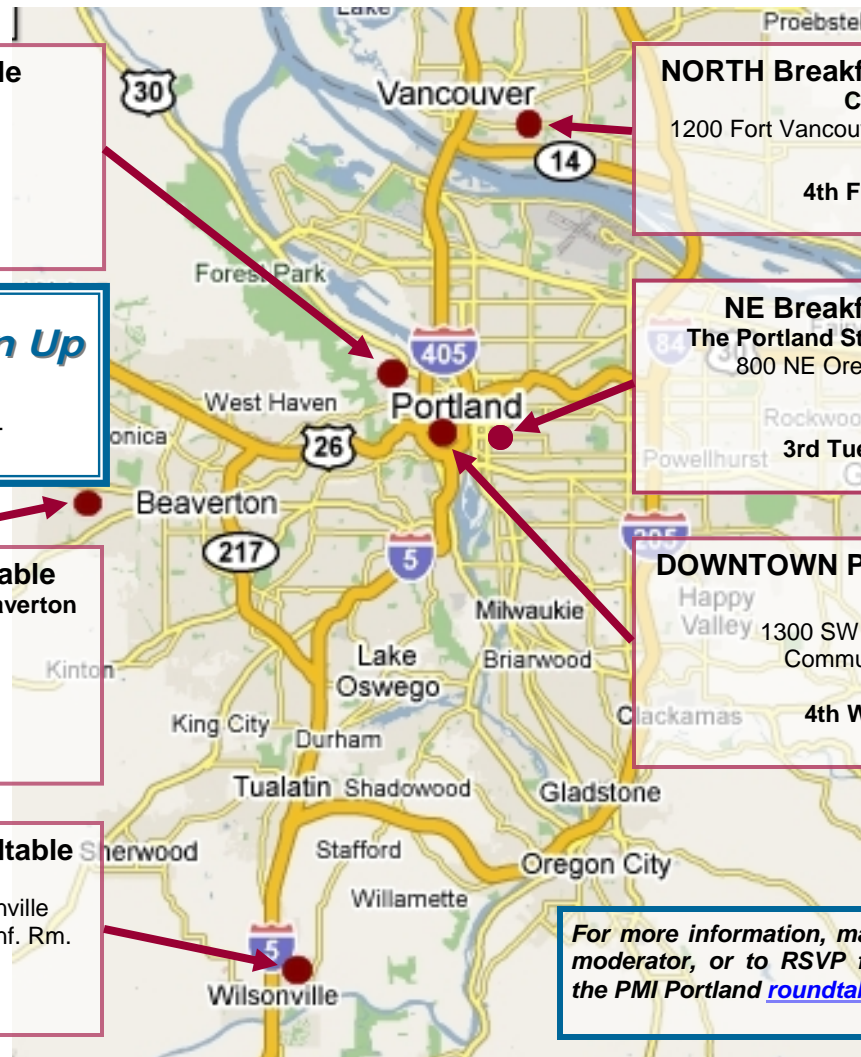
### SOUTH Breakfast Roundtable

#### Mentor Graphics Campus

8005 SW Boeckman Rd., Wilsonville  
Commons Bldg., Big Muddy Conf. Rm.

1st Friday 7:15-8:45 am

For more information, maps, to contact the moderator, or to RSVP for meetings, see the PMI Portland [roundtable webpage](#).



## Professional Development News

### Neal Whitten Visits the Portland Chapter on May 28th to present the Workshop – “Neal Whitten’s No-Nonsense Advice for Successful Projects”

Popular speaker and best-selling PM author Neal Whitten takes leadership and project management to a personal level by revealing leading-edge best practices that make all the difference between leading consistently successful projects and playing the victim with troubled projects. If you came to Neal and asked, “I only have one day of my life for our paths to cross. What can you tell me from all you have learned from a 35+ year career that will make my projects and career more successful and rewarding?” This workshop is the one day that Neal would share with you. Successful projects — and careers — don’t just happen, they are made to happen.

**There's still time,  
register soon!!!**

Visit the Education section of the PMI Portland website for more details on PDUs and registration information: <http://www.pmi-portland.org/> or contact Darin Goble at [workshop@pmi-portland.org](mailto:workshop@pmi-portland.org) or (503)706-2961



## Volunteer News

### Experience Required

We are all capable of performing more than the roles listed in the work history section of our resume. Some have developed their careers in project management over many years, while others are just starting to learn and/or apply their knowledge of PMI's project management practices. In either case, each of us has a formal employment history that provides a map of where we have been in our careers. Even more important than where we have been, is where we want to go next. As we look towards our future career goals, the two dreaded words that always appear are, "Experience Required." This in turn creates the classic "catch 22" of how does one get experience in a new role if experience is required to start? The traditional approach is to highlight your transferable skills, wait for new opportunities to appear, and then lobby diligently in hopes of being considered on a trial basis.

Luckily, there is an easier way to ensure your career map leads you down the path that you choose: volunteering. By actively seeking out volunteer opportunities you can gain valuable experience, add to your resume, show your dedication to the profession, and prove to yourself and perspective employers that you have the skills needed to succeed.

Imagine if you were to hear from your surgeon before beginning a major operation that you were going to be their first attempt at performing that procedure. Would you be a little nervous? The surgeon could explain their education, their history of some similar procedures, and give you a reassuring thumbs-up and a smile. However, your confidence would be shaken due to their

*How does one get experience in a new role if experience is required to start?*

lack of specific experience (assuming you hadn't already bolted out of the room). Just as we wouldn't easily accept this type of risk, many employers won't accept the risk of giving you a chance to try something new because of the investment of time and money involved – the risk of failure. This is especially true in this down economy when the applicant pool is often filled with others who have specific work history to offer. This is precisely why volunteering is so powerful. Volunteering provides opportunities for growth and experience.

The PMI Portland offers many volunteer opportunities and welcomes new volunteer members each month. The chapter thrives because of its many talented and dedicated volunteer contributors. In trade, each volunteer is building his/her list of accomplishments, applying their skills to an area of interest, and continually expanding their network of professional relationships. Whether you decide to run one of the elected positions on the Board of Directors, fill an open volunteer position, or bring an entirely new idea to the organization, you'll find something to suit your needs and schedule.

Be proactive in planning your next career move by removing the dreaded "experience required" barrier between you and where you want to be. If you're interested in building your professional experience, or would simply like to give back to the organization, we encourage you to go to the chapter website for additional information on current volunteer opportunities.

*Jeremy Black, PMP  
Program Manager, Volunteer Recognition*

### Welcome New Volunteers

Please join me in welcoming Dennis Hodges to the new Membership position of Assistant Director of Communications. Dennis will be assisting Ben Asar, our current Director for the next few months, assuming the role of Director of Communications thereafter. In that role, Dennis will manage member communications, including congratulations to new and rejoining members, member birthdays, and membership and PMP certification anniversaries. He'll also manage communications to attendees of chapter events who are not yet members. His goal will always be to convey our appreciation for being a member, while highlighting the many ways that members can become and stay competitive in our profession.

Dennis recently moved to Portland from Philadelphia where he spent 7 years working within the pharmaceutical industry. Most recently with Accenture, LLC, he has worked on numerous strategic sales and marketing projects for each of the top 15 pharmaceutical firms. Dennis received his BS in Management Science and Information Systems from Penn State University and his MBA in Finance from Drexel University.

He currently resides with his wife Mary in NE Portland. In his free time he enjoys finding Philadelphia sports being broadcast on national television, backpacking across Oregon and Washington, playing volleyball or soccer, and trying every beer Oregon has to offer. He can be reached at [dennis.w.hodge@gmail.com](mailto:dennis.w.hodge@gmail.com).

Dennis - Welcome to the incredibly talented and energetic Membership team!



*Joseph Marietta, PMP, VP of Membership*



## Volunteer News

### Looking for Great Volunteers!

Do you have an interest in participating in a unique team opportunity?

Do you have an interest in growing the PM skills of yourself and others?

Do you have an interest in working with dynamic speakers on hot PM topics today?

If yes, we have a terrific opportunity for you.

#### JOIN THE "PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY" (PDP) TEAM!

Since 2002, the PMI-Portland Chapter has been a founding sponsor of the MANAGING PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS conference hosted by Portland State University. Today, the Chapter is taking a lead role in this conference working in collaboration with PSU's Professional Development Center. We will continue the success and momentum of this outstanding program.

If you are interested in being a core member of the team, or an extended team member, we are looking for some great volunteers! Please contact Connie Plowman, PMP, at [cplowman@verizon.net](mailto:cplowman@verizon.net) or 503-223-3623. Be a part of the future of this outstanding program!



#### **MAY 11-12 Seminar: Innovative, creative, immediately useful!**

*Real Skills & Real Tools for the Real World: \$700 or \$630 if you register by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Plus, 50% off for "In-Betweeners" or Students*

#### **MAY 14 Want the MOST for the LEAST? Come to Breakfast!**

*Industry Trends and Technologies Driving the Future of Program and Portfolio Management: \$45. \$25 if you register by May 13<sup>th</sup>, are a student or "In-Betweeners"*

#### **MAY 21 Lunch with relevant 'experts', other PMs and developers**

*Portfolio Management @ Intel: Case Studies in Solving Business Problems: \$35. \$30 if you register by May 20<sup>th</sup>.*

[www.programmanagementforum.org](http://www.programmanagementforum.org)

### Jerry Young, PMP — Volunteer of the Month



Jerry Young, PMP has served as the Director of Jobs on the Marketing team. He has successfully piloted a program to build relationships with local staffing agencies to attend the new Career Networking table at the monthly dinner meetings to engage with our members seeking employment. We now have a rotating list of staffing agencies eager to work with us and have learned which ones keep their commitments. He has manned the table at every dinner meeting where he actively engages with attendees and provides guidance to the collateral we provide and people who can offer help.

The Jobs email notification process is one of Jerry's core responsibilities where he works with recruiters to post job openings to those members signed up with this service. He has worked with the Operations team to develop an online Jobs listing that will be launched soon.

Jerry demonstrated initiative when he learned of the InnoTech Conference opportunity to co-market the event which offered discounts to members and a free booth for PMI Portland. He crafted a proposal which was approved by the board and recruited volunteers to man the booth. This was a great model of how the public can learn more about what our chapter can offer in terms of education, resources and membership. We gained valuable contacts with future speakers and networking resources.

He leveraged his experience with the staffing agencies to plan the first dedicated Career Networking Event along with Pam Melton. Jerry successfully negotiated with the staffing agencies to sell them on the value of the event, and we have four sponsors covering the majority of the event costs.

I am proud to have Jerry on my team and look forward to working with him on future projects.

*Jeff Brummel, VP Marketing*

**Elections—Ballot**



Building professionalism in project management.®

**Project Management Institute  
Portland Chapter**

**Official Ballot**

*Annual Election of Officers*

2009-2010 Board of Directors

**PMI Membership #:** \_\_\_\_\_

Your PMI membership # must be included for your ballot to be counted. Only PMI Portland Chapter members in good standing may vote.

**See the PMI Portland website for detailed Voter's Pamphlet and information about positions, candidates, and electronic voting: <http://www.pmi-portland.org/>.**

All write-ins must be a local chapter member in good standing.




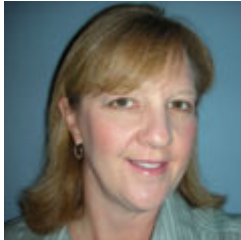

<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>NOMINEE - Select one for each position</b>	<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>NOMINEE - Select one for each position</b>
<b>President-Elect</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Joseph Marietta, PMP <input type="checkbox"/> Alan John, PMP <input type="checkbox"/> Write In _____	<b>VP Outreach</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Brian Bauske, PMP <input type="checkbox"/> Eldon delaCruz, PMP <input type="checkbox"/> Write in _____
<b>Secretary</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Kathy Pemberton <input type="checkbox"/> Write In _____	<b>VP Professional Development</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Darin Goble, PMP <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Thornton <input type="checkbox"/> Write in _____
<b>VP Finance</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Shancy Saban <input type="checkbox"/> Write In _____	<b>VP Operations</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Jimmy Godard, PMP <input type="checkbox"/> Write In _____
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## Elections—Candidate Profiles





	<b>Joseph Marietta, PMP</b>	<b>President Elect Candidate</b>
<p>Joseph has been managing large and small IT and Business projects for over a decade. For the past three years he has managed energy generation projects at PacifiCorp. As a member of PMI Portland, he attained his PMP certification and has held board positions of VP of Marketing &amp; Outreach, VP at Large (last year), and this year, VP of Membership. This year, with the help of an outstanding team of talented and dedicated volunteers, our Membership team developed and implemented communication programs including Member Retention, Recruiting, and Phone Inquiry Response. We implemented Volunteer Recruiting and Recognition programs and piloted monthly New Member Welcome meetings with a survey to begin tracking the benefits that you want from your membership. The Membership team also introduced the chapter to PMI's Hardship Waiver Program. All this while improving quality programs like chapter dinner meeting surveys, the Annual Member Satisfaction survey, and the Annual Volunteer Recognition event.</p>		
	<b>Alan Johns, PMP</b>	<b>President Elect Candidate</b>
<p>Alan John is a current member of the PMI-Portland board of directors acting as the Chapter Secretary for the past two years. He brings a wealth of leadership, management and practical experience to the board as a Navy veteran with twenty plus years of engineering, management and project management experience in both the private and public sectors. Alan also enjoys a good motorcycle ride on his Harley Davidson any time possible to keep things in perspective.</p>		
	<b>Kathy Pemberton, PMP</b>	<b>Secretary Candidate</b>
<p>Kathy Pemberton has been a member of PMI-Portland Chapter for 6 years. She manages small projects as well as coordinates large projects at Regence. Current activities include Event Chair for the Excellent in Project Management Awards program, Mentor for the State, Special Needs advocate, LifeSkills coach with teenagers and involvement with the Portland Singing Christmas Tree since 1984.</p>		
	<b>Shancy Saban, PMP</b>	<b>VP Finance Candidate</b>
<p>Shancy Saban has been a member of PMI for 5+ years, and has served other organizations in the past in a Treasurer capacity. She has 17 years of experience in IT operations and IT project management and is interested in contributing to the success of the PMI Portland chapter.</p>		
	<b>Jeff Oltmann, PMP</b>	<b>VP At-Large Candidate</b>
<p>Jeff Oltmann has led successful programs for over 20 years. He ran the project office for a \$60M project portfolio at IBM's Oregon development facility. Jeff's hands-on program management experience includes program budgets over \$100M and worldwide cross-functional teams of over 100 members. He is on OHSU's graduate management faculty. Jeff is the current VP At Large (Tall) for the PMI Portland Chapter.</p>		



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	<p><b>Jeff Brummel, PMP</b></p>	<p><b>VP Marketing Candidate</b></p> <p>Jeff Brummel, PMP has worked in the high tech sector as a Project and Program Manager focused on product development for over 20 years at Intel, IBM and ROLM Systems with products ranging from next generation Digital Home PCs, Servers and telephony equipment. Jeff has significant customer-facing experience bridging the gap between internal and external design teams, marketing, validation and management with world-wide teams in the US, Europe and Asia. A key area of expertise is his understanding of end user requirements and usage models then translating these into products that exceed their expectations. While serving as the VP of Marketing for the Portland Chapter, Jeff shifted into the energy sector as an IT Project Manager with specialization in federal regulatory compliance programs related to the US Department of Homeland Security. These projects provide Electronic Security Perimeters around Critical Cyber Assets for the Western US. Jeff put his PM skills to good use with a 5 year complete restoration of his father's 1959 BMW r69 motorcycle that has won several awards and was prominently featured in the international BMW Owners magazine. He remains an avid photographer after running a freelance Design &amp; Photography business in the Bay Area. Jeff earned his B.S. Industrial Design and volunteers his time to manage the PCC Capital Career Center's website.</p>
	<p><b>Brian Bauske, PMP</b></p>	<p><b>VP Outreach Candidate</b></p> <p>Brian has lived &amp; worked in the Portland Area since 1994. After seven years service with Hewlett-Packard Co., he took early retirement in order to pursue his dream of starting his own consultancy. As well as project management, Brian is also very interested in credit unions. He specializes in Services for Continuous Improvement®. Brian is the current VP Outreach Candidate for the PMI Portland Chapter.</p>
	<p><b>Eldon delaCruz, PMP</b></p>	<p><b>VP Outreach Candidate</b></p> <p>Eldon delaCruz, PMP is a certified Senior Technical Project Manager with over 21 years experience in high technology, specializing in new product introductions and process improvements. He obtained his BS and MS degrees in Electrical Engineering from Santa Clara University. Eldon worked in the microwave communications industry for ten years and subsequently joined Sun Microsystems where he managed new product development projects for enterprise servers, storage arrays, and networking devices. Eldon understands that you “get back what you put in” and has a strong desire to give back to the organization that has allowed him to meet countless new friends and acquaintances while providing many educational opportunities to enhance his project management skills. He is a firm believer of PMI-Portland's mission, vision and commitment to our community that is especially important during these trying times. He is an effective team leader recognized for building cooperative and enthusiastic teams. Eldon is offering his services to help promote these values while developing programs as VP of Outreach that can truly make a difference for our chapter and members.</p>
	<p><b>Darin Goble, PMP</b></p>	<p><b>VP Professional Development Candidate</b></p> <p>Darin Goble, PMP has worked in the software and IT sector since 1990 and has been a member of the Portland PMI chapter since 2005 when he became a certified PMP. A graduate of Linfield College with a B.S. in Economics, he started his career with Hewlett Packard in 1990 in the IT data center of the Cardiology Business Unit in McMinnville, Or. Darin has worked in Finance, Marketing, and Operations for various organizations, most recently as an Enterprise Program Manager for a mid-sized global services firm, Welocalize, inc., where he managed internationalization and localization projects for major software companies. He has extensive experience and background in developing efficient, cost-effective processes for servicing global, company-wide localization needs. Darin has served the Portland PMI Chapter as the Director of Workshops since 2007, and is a member of the Localization Institute's advisory board for Project Management Round Tables. A lifelong Oregonian who enjoys many outdoor activities, in his free time, Darin can be found fly fishing for steelhead in the rivers of the Pacific Northwest.</p>

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	<b>Steve Thornton, PMP</b>	<b>VP Professional Development Candidate</b>
<p>Steve Thornton, a California native, has called Oregon home for the past 14 years. He has 30 years experience in the Semiconductor industry. Starting out in Engineering, Steve migrated to managing teams and programs and spent most of his career at Intel. Steve says, "In addition to a passion for leading project teams, I have a great passion for aviation. I teach flying and deliver safety seminars." Steve is currently the Director for the Excellence in Project Management Award Program with the PMI Portland Chapter.</p>		
	<b>Jimmy Godard, PMP</b>	<b>VP Operations Candidate</b>
<p>Jimmy Godard is a technology project manager for Bank of America. He has been with the company for more than ten years and manages projects that have significant impact on the Bank of America Enterprise globally. Jimmy served as the VP of Operations for the PMI Portland Chapter in 2008 where his team migrated various back end systems into one. His team manages the PMI Portland Chapter website and all electronic communication vehicles as well. His favorite show is The Apprentice, and his hobby is to spend time with his family.</p>		
	<b>John Gugel, PMP</b>	<b>VP Membership Candidate</b>
<p>John Gugel has managed IT projects for the public and private sectors. Currently, he is working in the Oregon E-government Program supporting the state Website <a href="http://www.oregon.gov">www.oregon.gov</a> with enterprise content management, eCommerce, electronic forms and Web 2.0 collaborative software. Previously, as a consultant, he managed dot.com start-ups and Fortune 100 eCommerce projects. He established and managed several PMOs developing custom project management methodologies. Although traveling constantly, John calls Oregon home and grew up in the Salem-Portland area. John received his PMP in July 2005 and has plans to sit for the risk and scheduling exams in the near future. He recently was certified as a SCRUM Master and likes the Agile framework particularly the close business relationship. John served on the PMI Willamette Chapter Board and is active in Toastmasters.</p>		
	<b>Terri Hagmann, PMP</b>	<b>VP Programs Candidate</b>
<p>Terri Hagmann started her volunteer work for the Portland PMI chapter as Director of Events and is now the current VP of Programs. Her knowledge in this position will continue to help meet the challenges and requirements for the coming term. Terri currently works for Daimler as a Project Manager in their IT department. She has lived in the Portland area since 2000 and loves this area.</p>		

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**Mission** To promote the profession of Project Management by creating a culture and community that facilitates professional growth through education and volunteerism.

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