

September 2010



## Project Management Institute Portland Chapter

# Monthly Newsletter

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## Issue Highlights

### Next Chapter Meeting

**September 21, 2010**

### Educational Presentation

“Survival of the Savvy: What Every PM Needs to Know,” by Diana Rogero

### Keynote Presentation

“Training Thousands of American Law Enforcement Agencies to Use PMI (Without Them Suspecting a Thing),”  
by Bill Romesburg

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### Volunteer of the Month

Congratulate Diane Brady, VP of Professional Development.

### 2010 Managing Projects, Programs and Portfolios Conference

Read several perspectives about this successful event, and view photos.

### Pamela Banning PMP - PM of the Year!

2010 EPMA winner honored!

### Photos from June

View pictures of June Chapter Meeting attendees.

### Two Educational Opportunities

- Agile Project Management Workshop
- PMP/CAPM Prep Course

Early-bird registration is now available!

### Two New Volunteers

Welcome Suzan Reed, VP of Marketing, and Balbinder Banga, Director of Academic Outreach.

### PMI Global Congress

Register now for the major educational and networking event of the year for professionals involved in projects. October 9-12 in Washington D.C.

### Membership News

Welcome new PMI Portland Chapter members, and congratulate new PMPs who earned certification in July and August.

### And More...



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Joseph Marietta

Welcome to what we anticipate will be another great year for PMI Portland.

Although we like to think that summer is going to be relaxing, for Chapter volunteers, often, it is anything but.

June started with a full-day retreat for all outgoing and incoming Board members—the Annual Transition meeting. It was chock-full of lessons

learned and brainstorming, and your new Board members learned about the Chapter and the portfolios they are inheriting.

In July, we held the annual Volunteer Recognition event. It was managed by the Membership team with great contributions from Jeremy Black, Saby Waraich, Christi Loya, and Pam Lam.

August was highlighted by the successful Annual Professional Development Day event. Dedicated volunteers spent over 875 hours making this event a resounding success. It broke attendance, sponsorship, and revenue records. You will find interesting articles about the event later in the newsletter.

The next weekend we held our annual full-day Board Strategy Retreat with the new Board of Directors. We continued to define how the Board will manage the Chapter and identified a number of key initiatives. These include implementing a DMS/CRM system to address document storage and collaboration. We will be addressing major new branding standards by PMI Global, and re-evaluating web site, registration and general Chapter infrastructures.

The Board also approved a new Board member, Suzan Reed, as Vice President of Marketing. Suzan brings exceptional experience in the areas of management, marketing, and web, multimedia and print design and development. She will be applying her experience to our Chapter newsletter, branding, and web presentation.

Throughout the summer, new Board members began to develop their teams. They began planning for the events their teams will deliver over the next months including Chapter dinner meetings, workshops, roundtables, certification prep courses, job fairs, networking events, mentoring sessions, and so much more. Planning is also in process for next year's Professional Development Day, Volunteer Recognition event, Quality Survey, and the many initiatives your Board is pursuing.

There is also the ongoing work of developing relationships with other organizations. These partnerships provide event sponsors, workshop speakers, newsletter contributors, advertisers, job posters, and more.

When you meet your new Board members and Chapter volunteers, show them you appreciate the commitment they are making. Their dedication and hard work grows the value of PMI Portland membership and benefits you directly.

I am writing this over the Labor Day weekend and my thoughts are with our members who are enduring this very rough economy. There is good news. Over the last few months, we have noticed a major turn-around in the number of jobs announced at our Chapter dinner meetings.

This started in April during the mic-share portion of the meeting when two employers announced they were looking to hire PMs. At the May meeting, four employers made announcements about job opportunities at their companies, and at the June meeting there were too many positions to count. My conversations with business leaders confirm this trend is continuing.

The bad news for the Chapter is that many of our volunteers have taken new jobs. Many are finding that balancing work and their volunteer position is a challenge, and key volunteer roles are becoming available. The Chapter is an all-volunteer organization and this is a great time to check out the Volunteering section of the Chapter web site for the opportunities available. You will strengthen your professional network and build your skills volunteering for the Chapter.

I look forward to seeing you at a dinner meeting or other Chapter event, and to meeting you as a volunteer helping to run the Chapter.

**Joseph Marietta**, Chapter President  
[president@pmi-portland.org](mailto:president@pmi-portland.org)

#### Thought for the Month



This week I heard an exceptional piece by Scott Simon on National Public Radio (NPR), "They'd trade Labor Day for days of labor." I would like to share it with you.

[Click here to listen.](#)



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## Our Chapter Meeting Sponsor

PMI Portland extends a heartfelt "Thank You" to **Meridian Technology Group** for recognizing the importance of professional development for project managers, and for sponsoring this month's Chapter meeting.

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We are currently hiring a large number of Project Managers and BSAs. Please email [Karen@MeridianGroup.com](mailto:Karen@MeridianGroup.com) or call (503) 697-1600.

### Chapter Meeting Logistics

- 4:00 Registration Table Opens
- 5:00 Educational Presentation
- 5:30 Networking
- 5:35 New Member Orientation & Q&A
- 6:30 Dinner and Announcements
- 7:00 Keynote Presentation

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**PMI Portland Chapter Members:** Keynote Presentation \$25, Educational presentation \$10, Both for \$35

**PMI Portland Chapter Student Members:** Keynote Presentation \$10

**Non-Members:** Keynote Presentation \$30, Educational presentation \$10, Both for \$40

**Keynote Presentation only (without meal):** \$12

**Price is \$10 more after 10 am the Monday prior to the meeting, and at the door.** (PMI members and student members must provide PMI number at the door to receive member pricing.)

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

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

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## Upcoming Events

09/15	Salem Lunch Meeting
09/16	West Roundtable
09/16	Eugene Meeting
09/17	Corvallis Lunch Meeting
09/21	Chapter Meeting
09/22	Downtown Roundtable
09/24	North Roundtable
09/27	Early-bird deadline for PMP Prep course
09/28	NE Roundtable
10/01	South Roundtable
10/06	Port of Portland Roundtable
10/08	NW Roundtable
10/09	Super early-bird deadline for Agile Workshop
10/14	SolarWorld Roundtable
10/15	Corvallis Lunch Meeting
10/16	PMP prep course begins
10/19	Chapter Meeting
10/20	Salem Lunch Meeting
10/21	West Roundtable
10/22	North Roundtable
10/22	Early-bird deadline for Agile Workshop

For details, see the calendar on the [Chapter website](#).

### New Member Meeting

Held during the Chapter Dinner Meeting Networking hour.

We meet directly after the Educational Presentation at 5:35 pm in one of the Education rooms – listen for the announcement at the beginning and end of each session for the room.

Join us to learn about who we are and what we offer. We will answer your questions and introduce you to other new members.

## Join Us at a Roundtable

A roundtable is a meeting where Project professionals discuss issues they face daily. The Roundtable meetings are held throughout the Portland-Vancouver metro area. Each has a personality of its own.

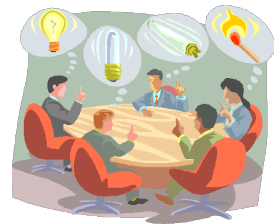
The meetings start with introductions, followed by a solicitation for topics. The topics are selected based on the rules of the specific Roundtable. These meetings are extremely valuable, worth 1 PDU, and are always fun. There are Junior and Senior Project Managers from a variety of disciplines at every meeting to provide an eclectic view of a subject.

Anyone can sign up to join one or more Roundtables, receive Roundtable notices and minutes. [Click here for complete information](#).

Contact the Director of Roundtables at [roundtable@pmi-portland.org](mailto:roundtable@pmi-portland.org).

<b>1st Friday</b> (7:15-8:45 am)	<b>South Roundtable</b> Mentor Graphics campus, Wilsonville
<b>1st Wednesday</b> (4:30 - 6:00 pm)	<b>Port of Portland Roundtable</b> Port of Portland
<b>2nd Thursday</b> (5:30-7:00 pm)	<b>SolarWorld Roundtable</b> SolarWorld USA, Hillsboro
<b>2nd Friday</b> (7:15-8:45 am)	<b>NW Roundtable</b> Con-way, Portland
<b>3rd Thursday</b> (7:30-9:00 am)	<b>West Roundtable</b> Nike World Headquarters, Beaverton
<b>4th Tuesday</b> (7:30-8:30 am)	<b>NE Roundtable (changed from 3rd Tuesday)</b> Portland State Office Building
<b>4th Wednesday</b> (7:30-8:45 am)	<b>Downtown Roundtable</b> Unitus Plaza, Portland
<b>4th Friday</b> (7:15-8:45 am)	<b>North Roundtable</b> Clark Public Utilities, Vancouver

For details, maps, and moderators, see the [Chapter website](#).



### Upcoming Chapter Meetings

**October 19**  
**November 16**



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## Training Thousands of American Law Enforcement Agencies to Use PMI (Without Them Suspecting a Thing)

A decade ago, William Romesburg and his partner (Kelly Harris) were summoned to Washington DC, where Justice Department officials directed them to help America's law enforcement agencies with planning, buying and implementing information technology. Eighteen months later, after thousands of hours of research, the pair emerged with a publication (the "Law Enforcement Tech Guide"), based on Project Management Institute (PMI) principles, and industry-specific best-practices.

The book was provided to every Police Chief and Sheriff in America, and copies were made available (for free) to any requesting police official. And, by 2003, it became the most widely requested publication in the history of the Department of Justice. As a result, DOJ directed the pair to create a two-day training course, based on the book. From 2003 to 2009, William was the principal speaker at more than one hundred classes, taught in forty American cities.

During his discussion, Mr. Romesburg will describe how the idea for the book evolved, what specific industry challenges gave rise to the need for training, which PMI fundamentals were used as the basis for the book, and finally; what impact the book and the associated training had on America's grant-funded law enforcement technology initiatives.

### About the Presenter



**William (Bill) Romesburg**, Managing Partner of CitCom

Co-author of "Law Enforcement Tech Guide: How to plan, purchase & manage technology (successfully!), A Guide for Executives, Managers and Technologists," Bill Romesburg infused Project Management Standards with real-world public safety practices to create a comprehensive guide for managing initiatives at the local level. Citcom has extensive consulting experience and has provided quality assurance oversight to public agencies across the country.



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### Why Pre-register?

Although you can register at the door for the Chapter dinner meeting, pre-registration is preferred. This helps us to assure there are enough tables, chairs and meals for everyone. Register online now:

- Win free dinner meeting attendance.
- Registration is an additional \$10 after 10 am on Monday before the meeting.
- Registration is an additional \$10 at the door.

### Register Now!

Questions? Contact [Director of Registration](#).



## Project Management Institute Portland Chapter



## September 21 Educational Presentation

### Survival of the Savvy: What Every PM Needs to Know

Office politics! They can destroy projects, careers and whole companies. Your political style can determine your success as a project manager. This session will give you some tools and insights to help you improve your positive political influence and fend off negative political forces.

Based on the highly rated book, "Survival of the Savvy: High-Integrity Political Tactics for Career and Company Success" by Brandon and Seldman, this interactive session challenges you to examine your organizational politics style and identify some ways to begin thriving in political projects.

You will learn:

- How politics impede or propel your projects and your career
- Where you are on the Organizational Savvy Continuum
- Beginning steps for flexing your political style

#### About the Speaker



**Diana Rogero** (Mekelburg) has managed projects and programs since 1974, in government, software, manufacturing and financial sectors. As a PM consultant, instructor and coach for 10 years, she has worked with Fortune 500 corporations as well as medium-sized businesses to improve their project management performance. Her speaking credentials include international and regional conferences and PMI Chapter meetings and workshops. Her motto is "Been there, tried that –and still trying!"

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### September Dinner Meeting Menu

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

OR

Mediterranean Vegetable Purse: Layers of Couscous, Asiago Cheese, Herbs and Roasted Vegetables with a Roasted Tomato Sauce

## 2010 EPMA Award Winner!

The PMI-Portland Excellence in Project Management Award (EPMA) Program acknowledges, honors, and widely publicizes a project team, an individual project manager and a senior high school student for their superior management of a recently completed project. The primary goals of the awards are to:

- Recognize and celebrate project excellence in the Portland community
- Increase awareness of project management principles and disciplines
- Encourage PMI-Portland member involvement • Increase Portland metro business community awareness of PMI and the PMI mission.

The \$1,000 Cash Award for Project Manager of the Year was awarded to **Pamela Banning, PMP** for her leadership and role modeling project management best practices. Congratulations Pamela!

The EPMA Program Team will begin accepting applications for the 2011 awards in February 2011.

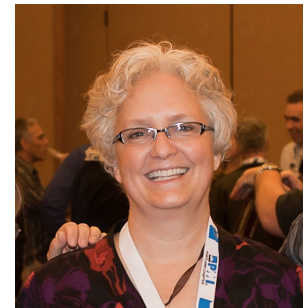
The categories are:

1. Project of the Year Award – typically honoring a corporation, non-profit or other company's efforts in its careful management of projects, previously known as the EPMA award.
2. Project Manager of the Year Award – honoring an individual Project Manager for his/her consistently demonstrated leadership and focus on project management best practices.
3. Student Project of the Year Award – honoring a high school senior who has completed a project this year and can demonstrate an alignment or an understanding of how their project aligns with project management best practices.

The PMI Portland Chapter website, [www.pmi-portland.org](http://www.pmi-portland.org) will contain all of the necessary information needed to apply for the awards beginning February 2011. Look under Chapter Activities, EPMA.

Each award category has its own eligibility criteria, application, application process and guidelines; however, all projects completed between Jan. 1, 2010 and Dec. 31, 2010, regardless of size and industry, as well as project managers (nominated or self nominated) and high school seniors, are encouraged to participate.

For more information, contact the EPMA team at [awards@pmi-portland.org](mailto:awards@pmi-portland.org).



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## Agile Project Management Workshop

Agile Project Management is a skill set that is in high demand among employers today. Come and see why.

Learn how Agile became entrenched at companies like Qualcomm and European giant Tele Atlas.

Learn the practical steps required to make Agile (or "Scrum") succeed in your environment!

#### Attendees will:

- Experience highly interactive, hands-on "Scrum" training
- Participate in exercises, case studies, and examples that will provide "Scrum" mastery
- Be equipped to manage projects using Agile best practices

This class is suitable for anyone using, or wanting to use, Agile methods.

**Saturday, Nov. 6, 2010**

**8:30 am – 5:30 pm**

World Trade Center  
121 SW Salmon St.  
Portland, OR

#### Workshop Cost

	PMI Portland Members	Non-members
<b>Super early-bird (by 10/9 5 pm)</b>	\$239	\$329
<b>Early-bird (by 10/22 5 pm)</b>	\$269	\$369
<b>10/22 - 11/3 5 pm</b>	\$299	\$399

12 PDUs available by completing of 5-hour homework assignment!  
Workbook and handouts provided.

Registration closes 10/30/2010 at 5 p.m.

Information and registration: <http://www.pmi-portland.org>  
or [workshop@pmi-portland.org](mailto:workshop@pmi-portland.org)

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## PMP/CAPM Prep Course

#### The course includes:

- Crosswind's PMP Exam Success Series, PMP/CAPM "Bootcamp Manual"
- Quick Reference for Fourth Edition PMBOK Guide
- Must Knows for Every Exam Topic
- Exam Style Questions and Exercises
- Mind-maps for Each Knowledge Area

#### Attendees will have:

- Experienced local PMP instructors
- Opportunity for hands-on review and practice exams
- Required certification hours with successful course completion

**Saturdays, Oct. 16 - Nov. 13, 2010**

**8:00 am – 5:00 pm**

9755 Barnes Road  
St. Helens Room  
Portland, OR

#### Course Cost

PMI Portland Members (early-bird rate):*	\$795
PMI Portland Members:	\$895
Non-Members:	\$1,095

\*PMI Portland Members who register by 9/27 5 pm.

Registration closes 10/8/2010 at 5 p.m.

Information and registration:  
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# Managing Projects, Programs & Portfolios Conference 2010

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The Portland Chapter's Ninth Annual Managing Projects, Programs & Portfolios conference was held August 18 at the Lloyd Center Doubletree. It was a huge success. Every session was packed and many people wished they could attend two sessions held at the same time.

The theme of the event was Excellence in Project Delivery = Positive ROI. The goal of the event was to give a new perspective on strategic portfolio management and how to provide consistent, sustainable project results—from portfolio to program to project.

The conference agenda contained four tracks: Portfolio, Strategy and Leadership, Art of Project Delivery, Trends in Project Delivery and Science of Project Delivery. Each track had exceptional presenters that gave participants a wealth of knowledge and insight.

The morning Keynote speaker was Matt Lauth of Six Disciplines who spoke about the "Intersection of PM and CEO: The Strategy Execution Process." His presentation gave everyone at the conference a depth of insight into this relationship.

The morning breakout sessions contained key information about the following topics:

1. From Strategy to Execution: How Leaders Create the Conditions for Success by Jeff Petty,
2. Stop the Conflict, Start the Conversation (Dealing with the Very Angry) by Pamela Cournoyer,
3. Wisdom of Crowds—Collaborative Portfolio Approach by Russ Martinelli & Chris Galluzzo,
4. Integrating Agile Methods with Portfolio Management to Maximize Business Value by Adam Light.

The lunch Keynote was "Science of Success—A Repeatable Formula that Everyone Can Master" given by Michelle LaBrosse of Cheetah Learning. Her great sense of humor made for an excellent lunch time program.

The information feast continued with not one but two afternoon breakout sessions. The first session included:

1. Leading Initiatives Through Rock Bottom: Improving Executive Decision Making by Brian Turner,
2. Knowledge Transfer Using "Lean Principles" by Todd Hudson,
3. Advances in Earned Value: It is Now as Simple as it is Powerful

by Ed Warnock,

4. SharePoint 2010: Project Management Powers Revealed! by Kevin Williamson.

The second afternoon session included:

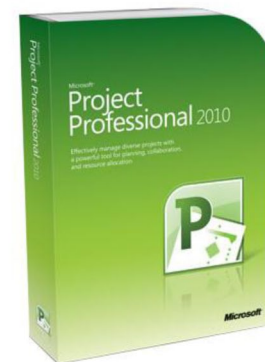
1. Six Steps to a High-Impact Business by Matt Lauth,
2. Team Building by Building Trust by Thomas Cox,
3. Business Intelligence Projects: Lessons Learned by Bill Henderson,
4. Collaboration, Dashboards & More—Project Server 2010 by Tim Runcie.

We want to thank the event sponsors for their generosity: Keller Graduate School of Management, Portland State University, Advision, Cadence, Microsoft, and PointB management consulting, and LazerQuick for printing the program guide, banners and posters.

And last, but by no means least, we want to add a heartfelt thank you to Dianne Brady and her team of volunteers. The success of this conference was due largely to their efforts.

**Trish Kelley PMP, CSCA**

### Great project managers aren't born, they are certified.



Project management is a growing discipline that spans many roles and departments within a wide variety of organizations. Microsoft Project has helped users around the world manage their businesses. In fact, today over 20 million user licenses of Office Project 2007 have been sold, making it the leading project management application in the world.

Microsoft Project Certification is specifically designed to help project managers apply and fully benefit from the leading standard in project management best practices and methodologies as established by PMI. Learn more about becoming certified in Microsoft Project by visiting <http://www.microsoft.com/project/en/us/training.aspx>.





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## Take-aways from the PMI MPPP event; a Newbie's Perspective

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Take-aways can come in many forms. They can be tangible items, offers of assistance, or knowledge. I received all of these at the recent Managing Projects, Programs and Portfolios Professional Development day.

I may not be your typical PMI Portland conference attendee. I don't have a fancy title on my business card, or the 3 letter acronym of "PMP" after my name—yet. I am brand new to the Portland PMI Chapter and I am what some people refer to as a "newbie."

I have however, been involved in many projects. I was a project coordinator in the glory days of the dot.com boom of 1997-98 and worked for SGI, Sun Microsystems, and other high-tech start-ups. There was a flurry of activity at that time in Silicon Valley, and I worked on cable modems, the Mario Brothers' game chip, and many other chips of less notoriety. It was quite exciting. With the dot.com bust, I left project management, but have retained a strong interest in the career.

A recent unexpected job loss turned me back to my first career interest, project management and to the PMI Portland Chapter. I believe a good way to become involved in an organization like PMI is to volunteer, so I volunteered to help put on the MPPP day. That proved to be a great "take-away" experience.

At the conference, I resisted a shiny red Advisicon pen at the first booth I visited before the conference began. I did enjoy a nice breakfast at a table with a welcoming group I had never met. Their friendliness was encouraging.

When the morning keynote speaker, Matt Laugh, Business Coach and Principal from Six Disciplines, announced he was giving away a free book, I was able to pick one up on the way to the next presentation.

I received a great deal of help from other attendees who gave me employment contacts, offers of help with my PMP application, and a PMP even offered to help me with my resume, the revision of which was necessary to apply for training funds for a project management certificate.

All conference attendees were offered a free class by the afternoon keynote speaker, Michelle LaBrosse, PMP, claimable at [cheetahlearning.com](http://cheetahlearning.com). In addition, speakers from the two break-out sessions I attended, Pamela Cournoyer, Founder of Communicate with Class, and Thomas Cox, of Cox Business Consulting, offered free, short, one-on-one sessions to their presentation attendees.

Yet, I could never have guessed what was waiting me for at the very last breakout session with Tim Runcie, President of Advisicon, shiny red pens for everyone. It goes perfectly with my free notepads from DeVry.

Sometimes things happen in a circular fashion. Whether it's a pen navigating itself through the opening and closing of a day, or a career making its way back into focus. The great thing about having a PMI Chapter in our town is that we are not alone in these career transitions.

There are people willing to help, even us newbies that might not have too much to offer at first, but are willing learners, and grateful recipients of their generosity.

Thank you everyone. Especially the man who exchanged the bottle of wine I won during the raffle for the PMP Exam Prep book by Rita Mulcahy, PMP!

You may see those coveted three letters after my name soon.

*Irene Gonzalez, PMI Conference Volunteer*

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## Volunteers: Unsung Heroes

As you arrive at the Managing Projects, Programs & Portfolios conference you see that the registration table is up and manned and there are placards strategically placed so that you can identify which room holds the session you want to attend. They even have your name tag ready.

Breakfast is served and, while the morning keynote speaker enlightens the group, you look around the room, and the sponsor and local PMI Chapter tables are assembled and manned.

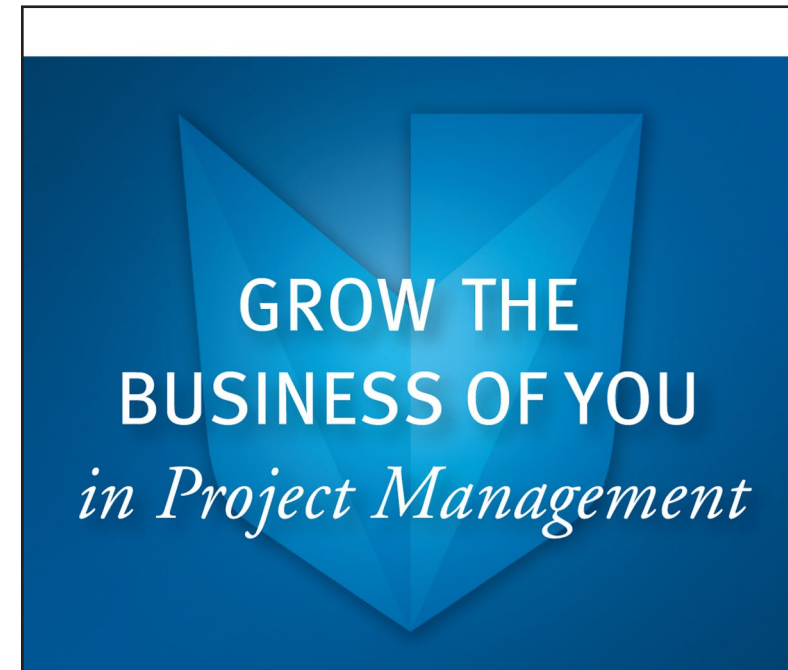
Everything is pretty much as you expected. If you are like me, you do not spend much time wondering why or how this is you just enjoy it.

I would like to spend a few minutes praising the volunteers who spend their time making your local Chapter events happen successfully. These volunteers are the unsung heroes of our events and at least 33 of them were involved with this year's Managing Projects Conference.

For months before the event the volunteer team worked to set up the venue, pick the theme, solicit speakers, sponsors and other volunteers to man the tables, answer questions, take pictures and so much more. All of the artifacts of the conference had to be created, printed, and assembled. Last minute issues had to be remedied such as finishing the program guide finding a photographer for the event.

Early in the morning of the event, volunteers arrived at the venue to set up the registration and sponsor tables and coordinate with the venue. All of this occurred so that we could have the event as we expected: coordinated, professionally managed, and executed.

I for one want to applaud Diane Brady and her team of volunteers and thank them sincerely for their time and effort supporting the Portland Chapter. We can't provide a high quality conference, such as this, without their energy, enthusiasm and support. **Trish Kelley PMP, CSA**



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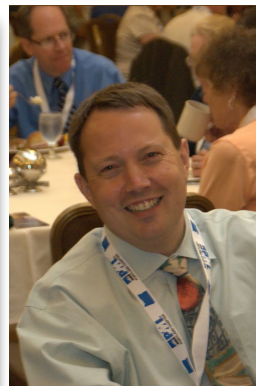
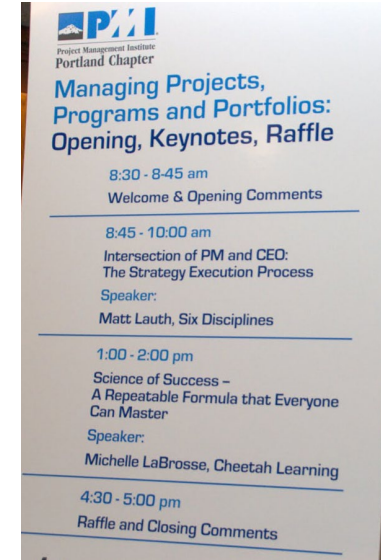
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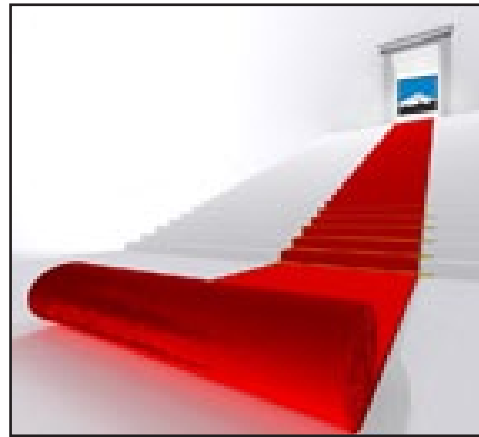
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 Backes, Tara  
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 Ban, Francis  
 Beebe, Jim  
 Berg, Cynthia  
 Berghauer, Kevin  
 Bly, Nancy  
 Bodenlos, Linda  
 Bond, James  
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 Gangjee, Farzanah  
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 Gonzalez, Irene  
 Greenaway, Jeffrey  
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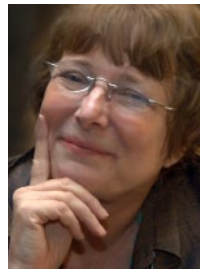
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## Welcome Suzan Reed



Please welcome Suzan Reed as VP of Marketing for PMI Portland. The Board approved Suzan's appointment on August 21st, and she has been quickly coming up to speed.

Suzan brings exceptional marketing, web, multimedia and print design, and production skills, plus management and leadership expertise to the position.

Suzan brings unlimited enthusiasm and energy to the position, and we're thrilled that she is now an integral member of the Chapter.

## Welcome Balbinder Banga

Please welcome Balbinder Banga to her new role as Director of Academic Outreach for PMI Portland.

Balbinder K. Banga, PMP is the founder of Glacier Group Training, a company whose mission is to prepare students to successfully pass the Project Management Institute's PMP certification exam. Through the years, Balbinder has developed an extensive knowledge base on the PMBOK and the PMP exam. She has written a PMP Exam Prep Booklet and taught her PMP exam prep class at Boise State University, Portland State University, University of Northern BC, Kansas University and Simon Fraser University. Balbinder also teaches the class onsite at corporations in the Portland area.

Balbinder has served as a judge for the PMI Excellence awards for the last four years and has been a presenter at several Project Management Conferences. Some of her papers include: 13 Must Haves for Project Management Success, Using the PMBOK in Your Project Management, 9 Areas of Project Management, PMBOK 4th Edition and 3rd Edition: What's Changed? and Three Must Haves for PMP Exam Success.

Balbinder has managed projects for Pivotal Software, Corillian Corporation and Intel Corporation. Balbinder is a PMP and a Microsoft Certified Professional. She has a Master's degree in Engineering Management from PSU with a focus on Project Management.

## Volunteer of the Month - Diane Brady



Please congratulate our September Volunteer of the Month, Diane Brady, CSM.

Diane wears dual hats for PMI Portland. She is Vice President of Professional Development, providing exceptional workshops and certification study courses for project professionals.

She is also the Program Manager of the record-setting PMI Portland Professional Development Day, "Managing Project, Programs and Portfolios", that took place August 18th. Her leadership, tenacity, and team-building skills resulted in the highest attended Professional Development Day to date, as well as best sponsored event ever.

Please join me in saying thanks to Diane for her professionalism and dedication to the chapter.

## Would you like to volunteer?

Grow your network and your skill set! There are still several volunteer opportunities available for this year at PMI Portland. Some of these include:

- ◆ Director of Career Networking
- ◆ Director of Communications & Branding
- ◆ Director of Marketing Services
- ◆ Director of Technology
- ◆ Director of Marketing Communications
- ◆ Director of Workshops
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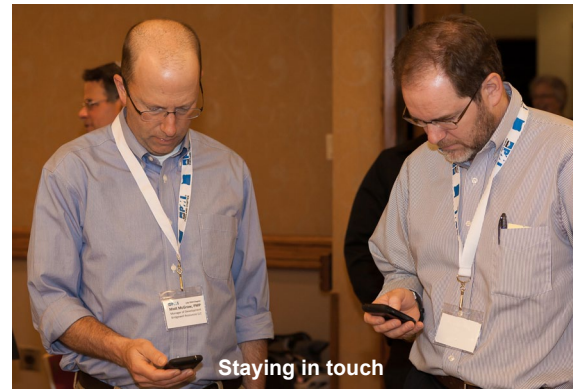
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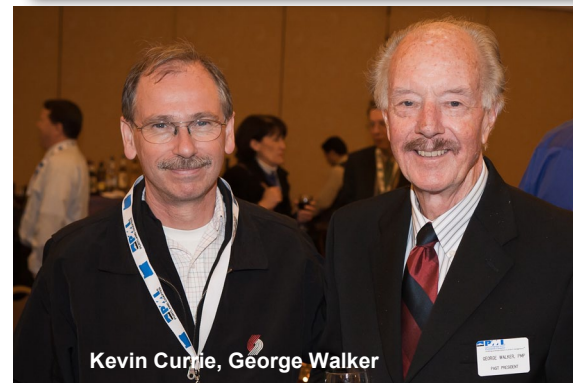
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**Lesley Bakker**  
Vice President, Brand Management  
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The congress will be held at the Gaylord National Hotel & Convention Center, located just minutes outside of our nation's capital, Washington, D.C. While at the congress, take some time to explore this historic, culturally rich city.

Register by September 23 to take advantage of early-bird pricing! We anticipate the Gaylord National room block to book quickly, so make your hotel reservations early.

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