

PMI NH Newsletter

A Message from the President



May 2012

Welcome to the latest edition of the PMI-NH Chapter Newsletter. We have plenty of information to share with you in this edition and I would like to begin by encouraging everyone to get involved with the chapter by participating in our Board elections and voting for our open positions this May. Another way you can get involved is to consider volunteering for an open Board position or other special projects the Chapter may have in the works. You can learn more about our volunteer opportunities by reading on in this newsletter.

If you are interested in learning more about PDU opportunities,

check out Solutions for PDU's on page 3.

I want to thank all of our Chapter members who have contributed to our chapter meeting food drives to benefit the NH Food Bank and help feed those in need, here at home in New Hampshire. We started the food drives in December, as way to give back to those in need during the holiday season. Feedback from our Chapter members was so positive and we received many suggestions to continue the drives after the holiday season because the need continues all year and the donations tend to go down significantly once the holidays are over. Since our December

meeting, we have donated almost 150 pounds of non-perishable foods to the NH Food Bank. Thank you all for your generosity.

Finally, I want to extend a special invitation to any chapter member who has been with us for the past 10 years. At our annual meeting in May, we will have a special gift for all of our 10-Year members. If you haven't been to a chapter meeting recently, please consider coming to the May meeting so we can thank you in person for your continued support of the chapter.

Best regards,

Eric Johannesson, PMP,
CPHIMS



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Upcoming Elections

The PMI New Hampshire Chapter will soon be holding elections with terms starting July 1, 2012. This year, the elections process, will be conducted electronically this coming May 2012. Please watch for your election notice via email and make sure your voice is heard by voting in this years' Board of Directors elections. The fol-

lowing elected positions will be voted on:

President-Elect

-1 year term and then 1 year as President

Vice President, Professional Development -2 year term

Treasurer-2 year term

The candidates are:

President-Elect – Julie Wyman

VP Professional Development

– Steve Lundquist, Sushil Jaiswal, Cathy Pecherkiewicz;

Treasurer – Ken Crowley.

People will be allowed to write in a candidate.

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Upcoming Chapter Meetings

May 16, 2012

6 to 9 pm
The Yard,
Manchester, NH
Discount cutoff date is
May 11
Member: \$25.00
Non-member: \$30.00
After cutoff: Add \$5.00
Skip the dinner: \$10.00

ANNUAL MEETING

Special awards this event for 5 and 10 year members!

“Project Management Not for Business Only. Applying Project Management to Fulfill a Life's Dream”

Speaker: Larry Gagnon, PMP

This month’s meeting presents how one project manager applied project management practices to fulfill a personal dream. Come to the May 16th meeting to hear the story...

<http://www.pmi-nh.org/meetings.htm>

Next Month:

Jun 20, 2012

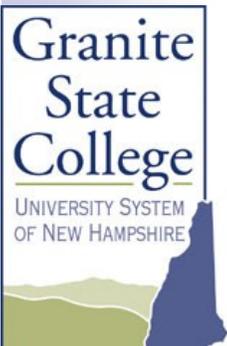
6 to 9 pm
Portsmouth Country Club,
Greenland, NH

Discount cutoff date is

Jun 15

Member: \$25.00
Non-member: \$30.00
After cutoff: Add \$5.00
Skip the dinner: \$10.00

Our Sponsor



Previous Chapter meeting :

“A Hands-On Introduction to Agile and Scrum”

Thomas J. Poirier, PMP, CSM
CEO, Persystence, Inc.

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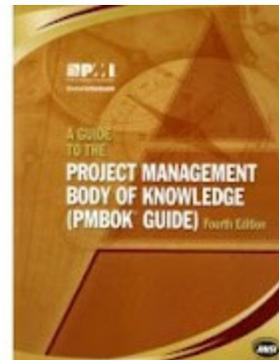
PMBOK Changes

If you have heard any “rumors about the PMP exam changing this year, here is the clarification from the PMI Standards committee...

The Fifth Edition Standard is expected to be published at the end of December 2012; the PMP Exam will reflect fifth edition content several months later (an

update schedule will be announced in advance).

The actual content of the standard remains under review and comment adjudication is in progress at this time.



New Member Benefit: On-Demand Webinars

We are excited to announce a new member benefit – a library of webinars, available to our members, addressing project management trends, best practices, how-to-guides, and much more.

This new member benefit will:

- Increase member value.
- Provide members more ways to earn PDUs. PMI members who hold a PMI credential seek opportunities to earn PDUs at no additional cost.
- Increase awareness for PMI communities of practice. Currently 60% of PMI members visit community of practice sites once a month. The On-Demand Webinars will help to increase these numbers, as the host community of practice will be promoted with their webinar.

Visit the [On-Demand Webinars webpage](#) or http://www.pmi.org/en/Knowledge-Center/On_Webinars.aspx-Demand and encourage your members to check out this exciting new member benefit.

We encourage all communities of practice leaders to consider recording a webinar in the future to add to the On-Demand Webinar library. Please let us know of your interest by submitting your webinar topic(s) to pmiwebinars@pmi.org.

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Once a PMP, always a PMP...



Once a PMP, always a PMP...The Path to Recertification

Original article by Rich Maltzman, PMP

Revised/updated by Claudia K. Richards, PgMP, PMP

29 July 2011

You worked hard to get your PMP Certification. Don't let it wither on the vine!

This article is meant to provide the basic information and some tactics for getting the required Professional Development Units (PDUs) needed to retain your Certification.

Want to verify your skills and impress your current (or future) employer? Study for the PMP exam today!

The basic facts – and a caution

Your PMP Certification lasts only for 3 years. To renew your PMP, the Project Management Institute (PMI) requires that you collect and report a minimum of 60 PDUs in each 3-year cycle. A cycle

runs from the PMP exam date through that date of the third calendar year. The rule of thumb is that each hour of qualifying activity equals 1 PDU. Here's the important caution:

CAUTION: If you fail to collect and report your 60 PDUs, you will lose your PMP certification. You will need to re-apply for, pay for, and re-take the PMP exam. And remember, the new PMP exam is (A) likely to be very different from the one you took and (B) is considered to be more difficult. So follow these hints and don't let your PMP expire.

The reporting process involves completion of an online Continuing Certification Requirement (CCR) form, the review of this form by PMI, and subsequent payment of a renewal fee of \$60 (PMI Members) or \$150 (non-PMI members).

Note: if you build up "excess"

PDUs during a cycle, you may "carry over" up to 20 of them for the next cycle if they are earned during the last year of the cycle.

Document your work PMI can choose to audit your recertification up to 18 months after you are recertified. You should keep appropriate documentation in case of an audit. Examples of this documentation include certificates of completion, grades, workshop agendas, class descriptions and rosters.

Categories of PDUs You can look at three major ways to achieve PDUs: blossoming, receiving and transmitting.

"Blossoming" means getting credit for growing within your career simply by continuing to practice Project Management.

"Receiving" means taking courses, going to seminars – in general, being a recipient of PM knowledge transfer.

Check out the rest of this article on:

<http://www.pmi-nh.org/education.htm>

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Meet The Board of Directors



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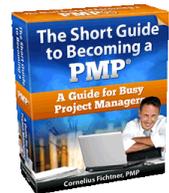
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The Short Guide to Becoming a PMP

This month's article is exclusive for PMI Chapters around the world. Entitled **Free PMP Exam Guide for PMI Members**, this article features **The Short Guide to Becoming a PMP** - an ebook which covers step by step guide to prepare and pass the PMP Exam. The ebook was written by Cornelius Fichtner, PMP. Attached is the article which summarizes what is contained in the ebook, the 8 steps to consider as you take your journey towards PMP certification. Kindly consider this article in your newsletter so that members can take advantage of the free ebook.

Thank you and
Best regards,
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Free PMP Exam Guide for PMI Members

By Cornelius Fichtner, PMP

Thousands of students study for the Project Management Professional (PMP) exam each year, and if you are amongst them, you'll know that planning your study can be daunting. That's why I have written a step-by-step guide to preparing for and passing the PMP exam, called **The Short Guide to Becoming a PMP**. This ebook takes you through the eight steps to consider as you begin your journey towards PMP certification. There is an overwhelming amount of information available about the PMP exam, and this [free PMP guide](#) or <http://www.project-management-exam-guide.com/> will help you work out where to start.

As a special offer to PMI Chapter members **The Short Guide to Becoming a PMP** is available free for download at <http://www.freepmexamguide.com/pmi> until the end of May 2012.

What do you get? Well, the ebook starts at the beginning and asks: are you eligible for the PMP exam? From here it takes you through the certification process to the exam day and beyond. **The Short Guide to Becoming a PMP** provides clear guidance on each of the eight steps you need to cover in order to get certified.

Eight steps may sound like a lot, but the process of applying for, studying for and then actually taking the PMP exam can take around three months. It is a time consuming and challenging process, so it is best to be prepared. The more you understand the certification process, the easier it will be to follow and the more time you will save – which means more time for studying!

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