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TribalNet Conference

On October 7th, Tracy Svec represented PMI-NNV at the TribalNet 11th annual technology conference for the Native American industry by presenting a project management workshop. The 4 hour workshop was focused on providing hands on tools for managing and participating in IT projects and was attended by 23 conference attendees. A project management overview was developed and presented along with interactive exercises and a 3-part case study. Co-presenter Bobbi Rooney had in-depth knowledge about the gaming industry and was able to provide valuable insight from an audit perspective. Attendees gave positive feedback on this hands-on and informative workshop.

Reno Dinner Meeting

Due to the chapters Holiday Party being on November 30th, there will be no regular dinner meeting this month.

Carson Lunch Meeting**"Essential PM survival skills & strategies"**

Tuesday, November 9th - 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Moderator: Ken Ray, PMP

This month continues our series exploring topics "beyond the PMBOK".....

The following areas will be explored pertaining to project portfolio management:

- Describe "impossible" projects/tasks you've been given?
- What difficult issues must you deal with each day as a PM?
- What mistakes have you (or others) made and learned from?
- What skills/strategies have you found useful in these situations?
- What were the outcomes of utilizing these skills and strategies?

Fees and PDUs: Each attendee will be responsible to pay for their own lunch - there will be no other fees associated with the meeting. Attendees will receive one (1) PDU.

B'Sghetti's Italian Restaurant
318 North Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701
775-867-8879

RSVP to rvsp@pmi-nnv.org or register on-line at www.pmi-nnv.org.

RenoLunch Meeting

"Essential PM survival skills & strategies"

Tuesday, November 16th - 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Moderator: Jessica Craig, PMP

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Sonny's Pizza & Pasta
7689 South Virginia Street
Reno, Nevada 89521
775-852-9898

RSVP to rvsp@pmi-nnv.org or register on-line at www.pmi-nnv.org.

Hardship Provision

Here is a message that is from PMI Global and very pertinent in these economic times.

Is any hardship waiver available for PMI and chapter dues?

Written by Membership

Monday, 19 April 2010

A Hardship Provision is available to any PMI member whose financial condition has changed drastically and sufficiently so that a member would have difficulty renewing their membership. A member must be in good standing for at least three previous years to qualify for the hardship provision. Under the provision, a member is granted a waiver for one year of PMI Membership dues and one year of dues for membership in any two PMI Components of which the applicant was a member the previous year. The Hardship provision may be granted for a maximum of two years for each member.

To apply for consideration, send a signed letter explaining the nature of the hardship, along with the membership renewal invoice, to the attention of the Manager, Member Services prior to the membership expiration date. Please remember that any incorrect or

untrue statements made by a member are in violation of the Project Management Institute Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct and may lead to the initiation of an ethic complaint in accordance with the PMI Ethics Case Procedures.

You may send your request mail to:

Project Management Institute
Attn: Manager, Member Services
14 Campus Blvd
Newtown Square, PA 19073-3299

You may submit your request by fax at +1-610-819-0746.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Customer Care at +1-610-356-4600.

Volunteer Positions

We are in need of volunteers to progress the chapter. If any of these sound like you would fit, please contact Deanna Taylor at volunteer@pmi-nnv.org.

Speakers for PMI-NNV chapter meeting

Need volunteers to speak on a project management related topic at a PMI-NNV chapter meeting.

Instructors for Spring Classes

Teach multiple chapters from PMBOK to students preparing for the PMP Exam. Our current class format is two full weekend sessions (Saturday and Sunday) one instructor per day covering specific PMBOK chapters.

Instructors Earn 20 PDU's per Class. Contact Sharon Grundy, Director of Education. Spring classes will be held starting mid-April.

Programs Team

Need volunteers to assist our Program Director, Trish Lestelle, in identifying, booking, and coordinating our monthly speakers. Individuals interested in donating a few hours a month to help with this critical chapter activity should contact John Sheltren.

Sponsorship and Advertising Director

- Support PMI-NNV Marketing Communication Plan
- Identify Fund Raising Opportunities
- Develop and Manage Sponsorship Program
- Manage In-Kind Services

- Identify and Promote Advertising Campaigns
- 5 PDU Compensation

Chapter Secretary

- Records minute of Board of Director meetings, ensures their availability
- Maintain paper files and electronic records for the chapter in an organized archiving system
- Collects U.S. mail from the postal box at least twice a month; distributes it to Officers in a timely manner
- Fulfills any other requirements of a Director, and performs other duties as the need arises and/or as defined in the bylaws
- 5 PDU Compensation

Networking and Special Events Director

- Support PMI-NNV Marketing Communication Plan
- Network and Liasion with Community and Professional Organizations
- Establish and Maintain Social Media Communications
- Primary Marketing Contact for PMI-NNV Special Events
- 5 PDU Compensation

Outreach Promotions Director

- Support PMI-NNV Marketing Communication Plan
- Identify and Manage PMI-NNV Promotion Opportunities
- Primary Marketing Contact for PMI-NNV Marketing Materials
- Identify and Support Branding Campaigns
- PMI Global Liasion
- 5 PDU Compensation

Volunteer Coordinator

- Serve as central point of contact for volunteers for the Northern Nevada Community.
- Maintain a current file of open/requested positions by area/board positions.
- Develop a list of potential volunteers for future needs from the new member and established member solicitations. Identify member name, area of interest, amount of time available, special conditions and contact information.
- Coordinate with VP of Member Services to communicate open positions/tasks requests.
- 5 PDU Compensation

PMO Forum Network

The Northern Nevada Chapter is seeking to determine if there is interest in setting up a PMO Forum Network. The PFN would provide a forum for the sharing of ideas, knowledge and experiences in relation to the practice of PMO's. The PFN members would also have access through the PMOSIG to services such as the PMOSIG's Website

knowledge base and Webinar Series as well as its worldwide network of PMO Forum Networks.

Establishing this PFN will depend on the level of member interest. Therefore, if you have an interest in leading the effort of forming a PFN, please e-mail Karen Brown, PMP at KBrown@prosig.org. Karen has tools that will help you get started.



President's Message

It was great to see so many of you at our October Dinner Meeting, as well as both the Carson City and Reno lunch meetings in October!

Our next dinner meeting is our annual Holiday Party, scheduled for Tuesday, November 30, 2010 – so please mark your calendars for this really enjoyable event! We will not have a dinner meeting on the fourth Tuesday in November or December. The Holiday Party is a social networking event being planned by a special committee. If you are interested in helping plan this event and the raffle prizes and white elephant gift exchange that have made it such fun in the past, please contact Deanna Taylor at memberservices@pmi-nnv.org.

Your four chapter representatives to the PMI Global Leadership Institute Meeting in Washington, D.C. on October 7-9 have brought back a wealth of ideas and tools to improve our future member support and chapter event offerings. PMI-NNV LIM attendees this year were: Carmen Jones, President-Elect, John Sheltren, VP of Professional Development, Tracy Sharp, Job Search and Region 7 Summit PM (attending for Member Services VP Deanna Taylor) and me. Most of the cost of registration, travel, food and lodging was either paid by the individuals attending and/or their employers or by two grants we received – one from PMI for \$900 and one from Region 7 for \$500 to use for airfare and/or lodging. We truly appreciate this support for our growing chapter.

You will be the recipient of these enthusiastic tools and ideas in the months to come. In

particular, I would like to highlight a relatively new area of focus for the global PMI organization that can provide PDU opportunities for each and every one of us.

PMI Supports Giving Back to the Community with PDUs

PMI has expanded PDU Category 3 to allow each PMP to claim PDUs for volunteering in your local community and providing work that helps community organizations and individuals. Reporting is basically an individual, honor-system activity. What are the types of PDU activities now supported by PMI? They include reaching out to schools and non-profit organizations in your community. Examples include:

- Mentoring and 1-on-1 coaching a Boy Scout through their final Eagle Scout project
- Helping a non-profit organization develop a business plan or procedures for a fundraiser
- Mentoring a non-profit leader and/or project
- Publicizing PMI's free educational products for educating grade school children, high school youth and non-profit agencies in project management and emergency preparedness – check these out at PMI Education Foundation (PMIEF) – Project Management for Social Good
- Mentoring, educating and/or advising a high school project
- Hours volunteered to Habitat for Humanity in the areas of construction expertise, etc.

This global PMI effort provides members of our chapter with many new ways to gain PDUs on an individual basis using the community activities many of us are already doing. It is great for chapters of all sizes and geographic locales.

This is just one of the exciting new developments from the Leadership Institute. Stay tuned for more to come – and save the date of November 30th for our Holiday Party at a special location!

Sue Churchill

PMI-NNV President

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