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Lessons Learned from Nevada 511



Speaker: Linda Kennedy, PMP -SAIC

Have you ever been stuck in traffic and wondered why? Well, you can have your passenger dial 511 for traffic information. You can also get this information from a phone app and online at nvroads.com. Come listen to the story about how 511 came into being—the ups and the downs. The project was run using the PMBOK but as you will find out in Linda Kennedy's presentation that may or may not have been the reason for its success. The story of the project will be told with an emphasis on lessons learned that you can apply to many of your projects. This was a project that Linda stepped in to rescue while working for SAIC at the Department of Transportation, Traffic Operations Division. Linda Kennedy, PMP has led successful projects for over 25 years in the following industries: Transportation, Gaming, Health, IT, Software, Telecom, Manufacturing, Energy, Retail, Museum, Education and Logistics from inception to implementation. She is the co-founder of the Northern Nevada Chapter of PMI and served as its first president. Linda has been a PMP since 1999. Currently working for SAIC as the Program Manager for the Nevada Criminal Justice Information System Modernization Program for the Department of Public Safety, she is utilizing many of her skills as she sets up a strategic planning, a project management office, and project portfolio management for the organization. In her spare time she is an avid quilter and operates two companies, QuiltingRight.com and FabricRight.com.

Meeting Time and Location

Feb 24th 5:30pm - 8:00pm

- Networking begins at 5:30pm
- Dinner and Announcements begin at 6:15pm
- Presentation begins at 7:00pm

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Twisted Fork Restaurant (by RC Wiley)
1191 Steamboat Pkwy Ste 1400, Reno NV, 89521

Dinner and Presentation: Members: \$20, Non-Members \$25
Presentation Only: Members: \$5, Non-Members \$10

[REGISTER HERE](#)

PDU's: 1 - Members, please log into website prior to registration to have your PDU submitted to PMI Global automatically.

Additional information can be obtained from Cheryl Allen, NNV-PMI Program Director, (530) 214-8881

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Monthly Lunch Meeting

Join Us For Lunch



Reno lunch meeting - 3rd Tuesday of the month 11:45am - 1pm

La Posada - 5270 Longley Lane, Reno NV

Carson City lunch meeting starts in February - 1st Tuesday of the month 11:45-1pm

Grandma Hattie's - 2811 South Carson st, Carson City NV

The format is roundtable, relaxed with lots of discussion about real-life experiences in project management. The meeting is free, each attendee is responsible for their lunch order.

PDU's: Attendees will qualify for one (1) PDU. - Please register for restaurant planning purposes.

Registration: Meeting registrations are posted (at beginning of the month) on the top right corner of this home page.

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UNR Project Management Courses

Extended Studies at University of Nevada, Reno will be starting their various Project Management courses in February for the spring. If you might be interested in their offerings, please visit them at [UNR Extended Studies - Project Management](#).

Upcoming Elections

We are getting close to that time of the year again where the chapter will elect new board members. If you would like to be more involved in helping this chapter grow and providing to the membership, then be on the look out for information coming out shortly about how to get involved.

If you would like information before hand, then by all means feel free to ask any of the board members at the Lunch or Dinner meetings that are coming up on February.

Attention Future Volunteers!!!



Welcome to PMI NNV Chapter Volunteer Page!
The PMI Northern Nevada Chapter is a non-profit organization staffed totally by volunteer members just like you. All the benefits that we enjoy in the local chapter are made possible by volunteer members. We really appreciate your help!
Stay competitive, teach, learn, and have a great time doing it – volunteer for PMI Northern Nevada

today!

Year after year, the Northern Nevada Chapter of PMI works to create new programs and improve existing ones for the benefit of the chapter and its body. For us to continue this progress, it is very important that we persist in having individuals donate their skills and valuable time.

If you are ambitious, dedicated, and willing to contribute by helping create and implement new ideas, we encourage you to join in on the PMI Northern Nevada experience by volunteering. We would like to encourage everyone to participate while they are a member.

Do you have an idea that could benefit the chapter? We like to hear from you. Contact, the [Volunteer Director, Tracy Sharp](#).

Positions available:

- **Professional Day 2015 PM** (Virtual, onsite planning sessions, attending PD Day - Prof Development Team)

PMI NNV is looking to host a professional day; full of seminars, a keynote, and vendor expo in 2015. We are looking for someone to be the overall PM; leading a team of volunteers (speaker selection, location, budget, vendor sponsorships, marketing, registration, day of event activities). We have

experience and a map for success to share with this leader.

Lots of volunteer positions available for this event (planning vendor expo, speaker selections, venue details and catering, handout materials, marketing materials, advertising, and "day of" volunteer opportunities for registration, room monitors, etc).

- **Meeting Director** (Mostly Virtual, attend Dinner Meeting, Member Services Team)

Facilitate meeting details and various volunteers, create meeting materials (Agenda, Surveys, etc), and meeting follow up activities.

- **Meeting / Facility Planner** (Virtual, Member Services Team)

Organize meeting locations / facilities for our chapter meetings (reservations, menus, etc)

- **Membership Director** (Virtual, Member Services team)

Recruit and welcome new members, manage guest pass program, badge orders, and perform exit interviews on expired members.

- **Dinner Meeting Volunteer** (must attend Dinner Meetings)

Manage the meeting registration desk at monthly dinner meetings. Must be present at monthly dinner (5:00pm start time) This can be a timeshared position.

- **Volunteer Director** (Virtual, Member Services team)

Manage the volunteer position openings, respond to interests and match them with the appropriate VP's, and plan Volunteer celebration events.

- **Advertising / PR Manager** (Virtual, Marketing Team)

Advertise PMI NNV events and sponsorship program.

- **Director of Finance** (Virtual, Marketing Team)

Manage the chapter's financial reporting and tax/chapter compliance reporting, support VP Finance's functions.

- **Meeting Technical Coordinator** (must attend Dinner Meeting, President Elect Team)

Arrive early at the Dinner meeting to set up technology to support meeting and manage switching presentations throughout the meeting for the speakers.

[Click Here to Volunteer](#)

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Why get involved?

Contributing to chapter activities not only improves the chapter, it also benefits the individual in many ways. For example, you will have the opportunity to:

- **Meet project managers in the local area**
- **Learn new project management skills.** Learn from your peers: Participating in volunteer projects will keep your skills sharp and give you the chance to learn from your fellow project managers. After all, we're never too old to learn, right?
- **Pass on your skills and knowledge:** Many members find it extremely gratifying to pass on their skills, knowledge, and invaluable experience to new or less experienced project managers.
- **Enhance your professional skills** (writing, presentation, leadership, etc.)
- **Expand your network:** Our surveys tell us that the #1 reason for joining our chapter is our networking opportunities. With over 120 local members, our chapter is the best place to nurture professional relationships and connect to like-minded professionals in the Reno/Sparks/Carson/Minden/Sierra area. Chapter dinner meetings, roundtables, education seminars, and volunteer opportunities not only provide valuable project management knowledge, they also put you

in direct contact with your fellow professionals who could refer you to your next job.

- **Stay connected** with those involved in the chapter
- **Share your passion** for project management
- **Earn Professional Development Units (PDU's)**
- **Jump-start your resume:** Whether you are new to the profession or between jobs, your work with the local chapter will add value to your resume. "Giving back" to your profession demonstrates your generosity, hard-working attitude, and moral character, characteristics that any future employer would value.
- **Help those in your community**
- **Have a great time!**
- **Make a positive difference!**

How can we help you?

What are your interests, strengths, and goals? There are many types of volunteer roles and if you are interested we can find a perfect match for you.

Can I Earn PDUs?

Yes! PMPs can obtain PDUs while volunteering at our chapter through a variety of activities. PMPs are responsible for reporting their volunteer activities to PMI. For more information on obtaining PDUs through volunteering, please refer to the Project Management Institute PMP credentials handbook.

How can I help?

We are looking for individuals to help out in all areas of the organization for which you have an interest in.

How Much Time is Required?

Volunteer opportunities range from short-term commitments of a few hours to long-term committee lead roles. For example, the volunteers at the registration tables before the chapter dinner are on duty only a few hours, while members of the Board of Directors make a two-year commitment. The PMI Northern Nevada chapter has many opportunities available. Whatever your skills or schedule, we'll find a way to use your talents!

How Do I Get Started?

Check out our list of current openings below. If you are interested in one, click on 'APPLY NOW' and email your background to the sponsoring

member. You will be contacted by the board member or director who is sponsoring this position.

Join our Volunteer Pool. If our current openings don't interest you, but you'd like to be considered for other volunteer opportunities, join our Volunteer Pool. Here's how it works: Just click here and send us your information.

Please indicate that you'd like to be in the Volunteer Pool. When a new volunteer position comes available, we'll email it to you first. If we get no response within a week, we'll post it to the current openings list below.

If you would like to help out in an area which is presently not listed, or you have a different skill you would like to share, let us know. We will create an opportunity just for you! Just click here and send us your information. The Volunteer Coordinator will contact you to discuss the assignments that best fit your needs.

How many PDUs can I earn as a Volunteer?

The Chapter encourages all members to volunteer in the Northern Nevada Chapter. PMPs can obtain PDUs for their continuing certification requirements through these volunteer activities.

Activity	PDU Rule or Restrictions	Categories
Serving as an elected officer.	1 PDU for 1 hour of service and you must serve in the office for at least 3 months. PDUs claimed in this category count against the 45 PDU max in Categories D, E and F.	E
Serving as an appointed committee member.	1 PDU for 1 hour of service and you must serve on the committee for at least 3 months. PDUs claimed in this category count against the 45 PDU max in Categories D, E and F.	E
Serving as a speaker or instructor for project management related courses and presentations.	1 PDU for 1 hour of service. PDUs claimed in this category count against the 45 PDU max in Categories D, E and F.	D
Serving as a moderator or SME for panel discussion.	1 PDU for 1 hour of service. PDUs claimed in this category count against the 45 PDU max in Categories D, E and F.	D
Developer of content for a chapter seminar or other structured learning program.	1 PDU for 1 hour of service. PDUs claimed in this category count against the 45 PDU max in	D

	Categories D, E and F.	
Providing project management-related volunteer services to PMI or another professional project management association. This work must be done for legally recognized non-profit, not-for-profit or charitable or community groups and organizations.	1 PDU for 1 hour of service and you must serve in the office for at least 3 months. PDUs claimed in this category count against the 45 PDU max in Categories D, E and F. Activity must meet the definition of a project as outlined in A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide). Click HERE	E

Documentation Required: Documentation requirements vary by category and can be referenced in the Project Management Professional (PMP) Handbook (pg. 37). [Click HERE.](#)

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The location may have changed, but the quality and depth of benefits for PMI members is better than ever!

- [Connect](#) with over 1 million project managers globally to boost your network
- View over [1000 webinars](#) and increase your skills where your PDUs will be automatically reported
- Access [1000 deliverable templates](#) to jumpstart your efforts

To learn more, check out this quick [video](#).

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New Chapter Members

Welcome to our new Chapter Members:

- Laurie Sheehan
- Heidi Dolder
- Robert Faigen
- Kim Polites
- Eric Goldman
- Lori Rice
- Kerri Williams
- Ed Dorsey
- John Aylesbury

New Credential Holders

If you are interested in getting certified, check out <http://www.pmi.org/certification.aspx> or contact our [VP Professional Development](#) for more information.

Congratulations to our newest PMP's:

- Philip Moore
- David Fein
- Danielle Meldru

Congratulations to our newest CAPM's:

- Jessica Bales
- Matthew Lawton

Congratulations to our newest PMI-ACP:

- Karen Michael

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