



PMI-DVC Connect

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From the Marketing and Communications Team and Editor – Welcome to the February Issue of our Chapter’s newsletter, ***PMI-DVC Connect!***

In this issue, we invite you to join the Corporate Partnership and Sponsorship Committee, we provide an update on the recent Future Cities Competition, and introduce a presentation on blockchain. As per usual, we’ll share details about upcoming events, educational resources like certification exam prep dates, and celebrate Chapter members who achieved important milestones.

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PMI-DVC Invites You to Join the Conversation



By Kathy Lajoie Malik, MS, PMP, DASM

PMI-DVC EVP and COO

PMI-DVC collaborates to serve our members and the business and educational communities through the advancement of project management. We are a strong community of professionals with many holding one or more certifications. We appreciate lasting relationships and serving our community. Building corporate partnerships to discuss real-world problems, broaden perspectives on project management, and explore emerging strategies is a WIN-WIN model that has served PMI-DVC members since its inception.

We are hosting 2 Industry Panel Discussions in 2022 to explore trends, challenges, technology innovations, and best practices in project management. The comradery experienced while learning with others and helping others grow is a strong foundation for building long-term relationships.

Would you like to join the Corporate Partnership and Sponsorship Committee?

Our sponsorship program has multiple levels for sponsors to share their perspectives and engage with PMI-DVC members about the profession, localized knowledge, and job opportunities. Sponsors can also increase their brand presence via our member communication, our website, social media, and joint promotion of sponsor events benefiting members. **Would you like to join the conversation?**

Contact Kathy Lajoie Malik at (<mailto:klajoiemalik@pmi-dvc.org>) klajoiemalik@pmi-dvc.org (<mailto:klajoiemalik@pmi-dvc.org>) to discuss.

The following table details the available sponsorship levels and benefits.

<u>Benefit Features</u>	<u>Gold</u> \$6,000 12 months	<u>Silver</u> \$2,500 5 months		<u>Silver – PDD</u> \$2,500 5 months	<u>Bronze</u> \$600 2 months
<u>Address audience</u> for 5 minutes at Chapter Meetings and Professional Development Days (PDDs) <u>In-person:</u> Display Table <u>Virtual:</u> Host a Breakout Room	10 or more meetings and bring 2 attendees All PDDs and bring 4 attendees	3 meetings and bring 2 attendees		1 PDDs and bring 2 attendees	1 meeting and bring 2 attendees
<u>Brand visibility</u> via multiple channels: website, email, and social media	12 months	5 months (consecutive)		5 months (consecutive)	2 months (consecutive)
<u>Sponsor's eblast</u> to members about job opportunities, training, or other member benefits.	Sponsor's eblast to members twice per year				
<u>PMI-DVC Partners and Sponsors Annual Executive Council Meeting</u>	Attend Annual Executive Council Meeting				

Upcoming Chapter Events:

You can always find a listing of upcoming chapter events on our website homepage (<https://pmi-dvc.org/>). Here are a few happening soon!

- PMI-DVC Chapter Meeting, February 17, 2022: **Transformational Program and Portfolio Leadership**

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- PMI-DVC Chapter: Job Posting Board Networking Call, February 23, 2022:

<https://pmi-dvc.org/professional-development/events-prof-dev-menu/special-events/pmi-delaware-valley-chapter-job-posting-board-networking-call-3> (/professional-development/events-prof-dev-menu/special-events/pmi-delaware-valley-chapter-job-posting-board-networking-call-3)

- PMI-DVC Chapter Meeting, February 24, 2022: Meet the New PMI-DVC Board – Get a Sneak Peek at two new exciting member benefits...AND the upcoming changes to our website!

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- PMI-DVC Chapter Meeting, March 17, 2022: Mind Your Career: Mastering the Inner Game
- PMI-DVC Chapter Meeting, March 24, 2022: Managing Life and Work Balance
- PMI Delaware Valley Chapter Professional Development Day, April 1, 2022

Education Corner

Dear PMI-DVC Member...Take this opportunity to get your PMI certification! 2 great courses to choose from:

- **CAPM® Exam Prep**
- **PMP® Exam Prep**

CAPM® Exam Prep- 24 Hours

New to Project Management and seeking a certification that demonstrates your knowledge of Project Management practices? The CAPM certification may be right for you as it does not require years of Project Management experience to become certified. This 24-hour preparation course meets the 23-hour requirement to apply for and to take CAPM Exam and is intended for those who are new to project management, or who have less than the practical experience needed to take the PMP Exam. The focus is on how best to prepare, study for, and take the CAPM credential examination. A review of material normally covered in the exam will be presented. Students will receive sample questions of the type given on the exam. The PMP 35 education hours requirement is waived for CAPM certification holders.

LINK TO COURSE CONTENT – CAPM Exam Prep Course Content (</component/acymailing/url?urlid-737/mailid-2535?subid=88944>)

DATES: 3 Saturdays, Saturday, February 26, 2022 – Saturday, March 12, 2022

TIMES: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

LOCATION: Zoom

COST: PMI-DVC and PMI Partner Members = \$750 / Non-Members = \$960

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: February 18, 2022, at 11:55 pm



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PMP® Exam Prep - 35 Hours

PMI-DVC is a PMI Authorized Training Partner (ATP) and is specially trained and qualified to teach PMI's PMP Exam Prep course. This intense, 35-hour preparation course contains five modules that immerse students in real-world scenarios, representing various industries and project management situations to help you practice applying principles and concepts at work. This course meets the 35-hour requirement to apply to take PMP Exam and is intended for those who are experienced in project management, or who have already taken project management courses. The focus is on how best to prepare, study for, and take the PMP credential examination. A review of material normally covered in the exam will be presented. ***Successful completion of this course ensures that students will automatically meet the 35-hour education requirement in order to apply for and take the exam and that their education hours will not be subject to audit.***

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DATES: 5 Saturdays, Saturday, February 26, 2022 – Saturday, March 26, 2022.

TIMES: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

LOCATION: Zoom

COST: PMI-DVC and PMI Partner Members = \$1,086 / Non-Members = \$1,400

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Blockchain for Project Managers: From Idea to Concept to Reality

Interested in learning more about what blockchain is and isn't? Curious why there's excitement around blockchain applications?

Check out this detailed presentation by Niki Weiss, PMP, PMI-RMP, SSM, and Vice President of Education at PMI-DVC.

CHECK IT OUT

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Volunteer Spotlight:

The Philadelphia Future City Competition brings out the best in the PMI volunteer spirit again this year.

PMI at Future City Competition (/images/PMI_at_Future_City_Competition.docx)

The Future City Competition is for middle school teams. Each year the competition has a different challenge for a city 100 years in the future. This year the challenge was to design a waste-free city that uses the principles of a circular economy. The teams create a project plan and follow good (for middle school students) project management practices, build a model city using recycled material, write an essay about how their city addresses the challenge, and on the day of the competition give an oral presentation and have a Q&A session with a panel of judges. This year was virtual for the second and hopefully last time.



The PMI-DVC award for Project Management Excellence was won by Mount Aviat Academy from Childs, MD.

On January 22, and in the weeks leading up to it, 22 PMI members helped over 400 students from 26 schools have a great experience at the Future City Competition.

Volunteer Shout-Outs

- Abhijeet Banode was the mentor for William Penn Charter School and was in it for the long haul from Fall of 2021, until the competition.
- Starting in mid-December 2021, Eleanor Conwell, Kevin Ecker, and Stephen Toniatti helped judge team essays.
- Susan Rorke-Lawler was a Model/Presentation/Q&A Judge.
- The chapter supplied nine special awards judges: Sanjoy Bhattacharjee, Rachel Blackwood, Robert Cochran (President PMI-DVC), Jill Gombosi, Kathy Lajoie Malik (Executive VP PMI-DVC), Susan Rorke-Lawler, Marie Hegarty (Director & VP/Membership), Rachel Blackwood, and Kristine Grimmett.
- Guylaine Thibault from the Montreal Chapter and Emamoke Obah from the Nigeria chapter joined them and helped select the winner of the Outstanding Future City Project Plan award presented by PMIEF to New Hope Solebury Middle School from New Hope, PA.
- Behind the scenes, Priya Rajagopalan, Frank McKeown (Secretary PMI-DVC), Paul Masterton (VP of Technology PMI-DVC), Audrey Wilson, and Jason Brown kept everything running smoothly as Zoom hosts.

Many thanks to Ken Golkin, VP of Education at PMI-DVC, and the Chief Tech Guru and Steering Committee member of the Philadelphia Future City Competition for over 20 years. He was the man behind the curtain for most of the day!

To see more pictures and some videos visit (<https://www.futurecityphilly.org>)<https://www.futurecityphilly.org> (<https://www.futurecityphilly.org>). PMI-DVC will be supporting the 2023 Philadelphia Future City Competition, and 2022 Engineer Fair. Volunteer opportunities to support both events will be available beginning in September, and more updates will be shared as we approach the Fall. Stay tuned!

Member Benefits:

PMI Picks™

BIG IDEAS | Small Packages

For professionals who want smart, bite-sized project management and power skill learnings that fit into their schedules.

The PMI Picks team has added new content to PMI Picks (https://pmipicks.pmi.org/?utm_source=Snippets+Users++Commercial&utm_campaign=a9a2f27558-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_02_10_05_22_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_b5ef522dbd-a9a2f27558-177123932) this week. This curated, bite-sized, PMI-approved content covers topics about Innovation.

Take this opportunity to explore PMI Picks (https://pmipicks.pmi.org/?utm_source=Snippets+Users++Commercial&utm_campaign=a9a2f27558-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_02_10_05_22_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_b5ef522dbd-a9a2f27558-177123932)!

Apply now — Scholarships available

PMI invests in our rising leaders by funding scholarships for undergraduate and graduate studies in project management or a project management-related field of study. Please note that guidelines vary by fund (<https://www.pmi.org/learning/academic-research/academic-scholarships>). **These scholarships will open up in March 2022 and close in May 2022.**

Get a Sneak Peek at two new exciting member benefits...AND the upcoming changes to our website!

Dear PMI-DVC Members...Join us on **Thursday, February 24, 2022, 6:30 – 8:30** for our annual “Meet the Board” session and get a sneak peek at 2 exciting new benefits for members in 2022! As an added bonus we’ll also share a brief look at the changes coming to our website in the next couple of months!

Click here to register! (</professional-development/events-prof-dev-menu/chapter-meeting/pmi-dvc-chapter-meeting-february-24-2022>)

Member Highlights

Each month, we recognize members who have reached important milestones. Congratulations to each of you, and “welcome” to those of you who are new.

New Members – Welcome to the **68** New Members who joined the Chapter in **January 2022!**

Katja Abegg, Sara Allen, Stephen Barrera, Julie Bedford, Shaneece Bogues-hill, Linda Boring, Derek Brisbon, Kerry Brooks, Jennifer Bumbier, Rebecca Cesarz, Elton Ching, Daniel Choi, Kelly Christiansen, Rafael Colina, Mark Connolly, Jennifer Cooper, Toya Casper Cornelious, Jason DeCecco, Kerri Devaney, Robert Devonshire, Brian Dolan, Jennifer D'Ulisse, Erica Engstenberg, Lorreelee Filius, Abu Bakarr Foray-Musa, Gerald Glackin, Jeffrey Green, Richard Hall, Charles Hall, Renae Hesnan, Nicole Hixon, Gregory Huey, Ryan Kloepfer, Joan Koebert, Katherine Korom, Christine LaPense, Riana Mahmood, Melanie Martin, Shaun Renee Mason, Steve Maxson, Abhilasha Medithe, Rita Montemayor, Laura Mounts, Neil OConnell, Joshua Palmer, Michael Piercey, Lori Poinsett, Thelma Redden-Huff, David Root, Eric Sacks, Hima Bindu ReddySeerapu, Abdul Shaheen, Frann Shore, Claudia Silva, Brendan Smith, Shannon Spillman, William Stone, Dirk Sweigart, Chirag Thaker, Daniel Thomas, Thomas Toczylowski, Michelle Triglia, Gina Tursi, Johannah van der Plas, Erica Waddy, Dominic L Williams, Samuel Yohannes, Casey Zimmerman.

Member Certifications:

- Congratulations to our newest Certificate holders who achieved certifications in **January 2022:**
 - **AHC** – Denise Ziegler
 - **CAPM** – Lawrence Chopp, Zaneta Lasseter, Rebecca Stout
 - **OTF** – Israel Massincaud
 - **PMI–ACP** – Atul Deshmukh
 - **PMP** – Derek Brisbon, Gina Buoncristiano, Melissa Cross, Caressa Dunn, Margo Frinzi, Melissa Gerding, Madhuri Jagannath, Evan Martin, Debra Panico, Lo-Raine Thomas
- **20-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **20 years** of certification in **January 2022:**
 - **PMP** – P David Capeci, Sr.
- **15-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **15 years** of certification in **January 2022:**
 - **PMP** – Phyllis Goldman, Ph.D., Shantanu Kane, Jennifer Michaels
- **10-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **10 years** of certification in **January 2022:**
 - **PMP** – Amit Hegde, Daniel Horgan, Megan Schmid
- **5-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **5 years** of certifications in **January 2022:**
 - **PMP** – Peter Dixon, Eric Graham, Greg Inman, van Johnson, Peter Knupp, Christopher Marchesani, Benjamin Osawe, Rebecca Parish.

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****2022 Annual Plan Goals****

Grow Membership

Proactive Outreach to members, academic, volunteer, community, and industry associations to build lasting relationships and engagement.

Advancing the Project Management Profession through a range of professional development, training, and educational opportunities. Recognize achievements!

Give back to our community.

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