



## PMI-DVC Connect May 2022, Volume 1, Issue 17

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

In this issue, we include our second Chapter Member Talk, a conversation with Jim Snyder. We also present a letter from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Team; an update on the Spring 2022 Study Group and announcing the Summer Study Groups, a special offer from the International Institute for Learning (IIL), and we highlight new volunteer opportunities. As per usual, we’ll share details about upcoming events, and celebrate Chapter members who achieved important milestones.

Newsletter Editorial Team: Rich Lobron, Amber Hill, Kelly Stoner and Kaitlyn Luboff.

Support the PMI-DVC by following us on social media and engaging with the posts.



### Upcoming Chapter Events:

***You can always find a listing of upcoming chapter events on our [website homepage](#). Here are a few happening soon!***

- PMI-DVC Annual Membership Meeting, May 19, 2022
  - Learn more and register [here](#)
  
- Agile Open House, Tuesday, May 17, 2022: "An Exploration of Agile Values & Principles as they apply to Scrum Frameworks"
  - Learn more [here](#)
  - Join Leigh Ann Gunther and David Betancourt on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM as they outline the components and planning process for a successful Sprint Planning event. The plan for the evening includes the theory and mechanics of effective and efficient Sprint Planning, followed by a Case Study
  - [Register now](#)

- PMI-DVC Professional Development Day, June 3, 2022: “Part I: Take the Risk Out of Risk Management” & “Part II: The Five Behaviors® Team Development”
  - Learn more [here](#)
- PMI-DVC Member’s Orientation Call, June 14, 2022
  - Learn more [here](#)

## Education Corner

*Are you new to project management, or have you been doing it for a while and want to conquer the PMP exam? If so, we have a course for you and registration is now open for the PMI-DVC Summer courses.*

- [Foundations in Project Management](#)  
4-Saturdays (June 4, 11, 18, 25)  
for PMI-DVC Members = \$875  
[Register Now](#)
- [CAPM Exam Prep](#)  
3-Saturdays (July 9, 16, 23)  
for PMI-DVC Members = \$750  
[Register Now](#)
- [PMP Exam Prep](#)  
5-Saturdays (Jul 9, 16, 23, 30, Aug 6)  
for PMI-DVC Members = \$1,086  
[Register Now](#)

## An Update on Study Groups

**The Spring 2022 CAPM & PMP study groups wrapped up on Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.** Kudos to all the dedicated project managers who have put in the work and are now poised to take their CAPM and PMP exams. We wish you all the best of luck, though we know you really will not need any luck.

The study groups only happened because of the commitment of the volunteers who put in their time to help other chapter members be successful. So, kudos also to the 9 awesome facilitators: Ruth Anne Guerrero, Mark Gershon, Sally Buckwalter, Sherrell Mickens, Glenn Kmecz, Harris Snyder, Tia Jones, Jennifer Murter and Kristi Baldwin. The sessions would not have happened without the 7 incredible moderators: Jen Bradley, Bill Prehl, Mindy Hilbert, Maria Franklin, Mary Bullock, Kirsten Smith and Tom Rainer. The chapter thanks all of you.

Our next study groups will start after the Fall CAPM and PMP exam prep courses.

## Special Offer from International Institute for Learning

*Are you looking to earn PDUs, learn more about Agile, and take advantage of a special PMI-DVC discount?*

Our new partnership with the International Institute for Learning (IIL) allows Agilists at all levels to enjoy "The Agile and Scrum Conference 2022" on June 2. The program aims to inspire, learn, and expand on ways to innovate using Agile Values and Principles. Those who participate can expect keynote speakers from thought leaders and industry experts, live Q&A, and networking opportunities.

[Learn More and Register](#)

*Can't make the June 2 event? No problem. The program will be available to participants for viewing at their convenience until September 4, 2022.*

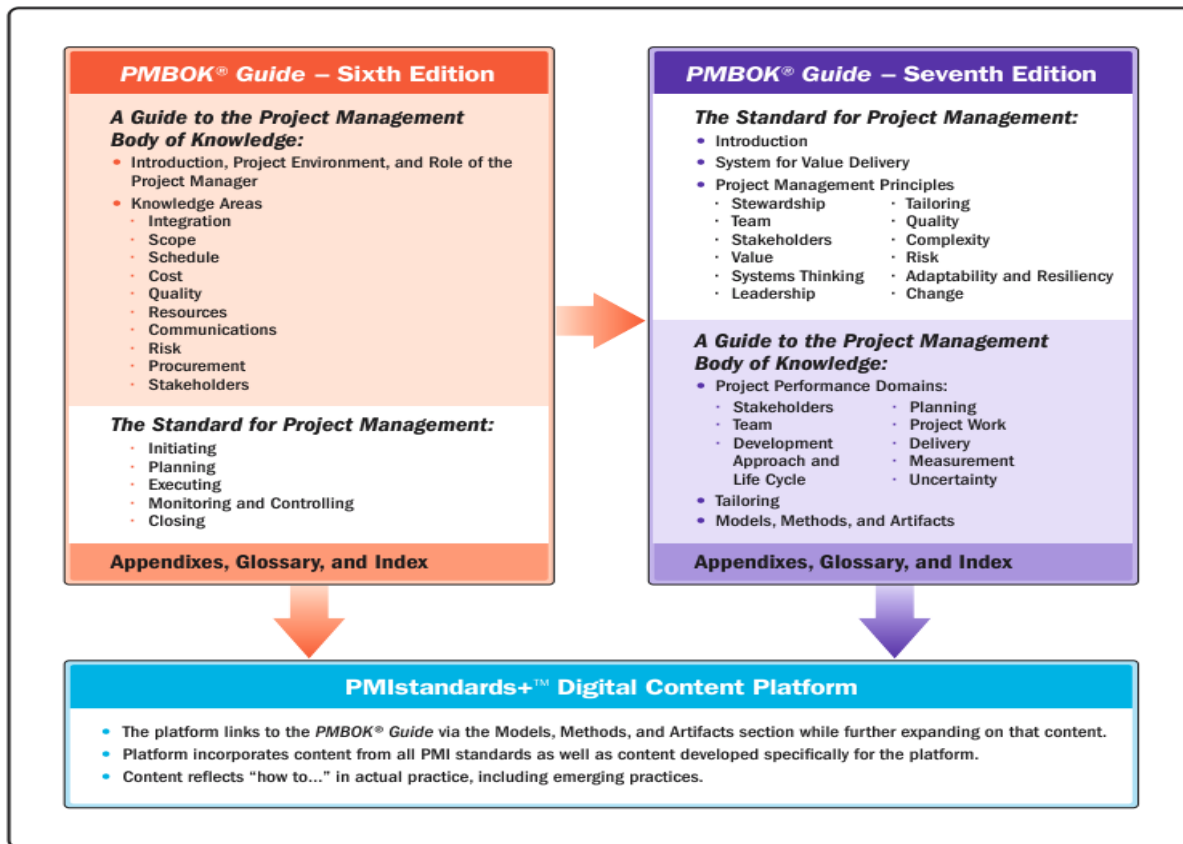


The PMI Talent Triangle is evolving to better reflect the skills needed by today's project professionals and changemakers as they navigate the evolving world of project management. [Watch a brief video](#), [access FAQs](#) and a [template deck](#) to share the news with your chapter.

## What's the Difference Between PMBOK Guide 6th & 7th Editions?

- PMBOK 7 is strategic and practical and not a theoretical 'how to' guide.
- Turning from prescriptive to strategic, PMBOK 7 leaves room for cultural interpretations of applications of tools and managing stakeholders.
- Finally, it provides a seamless integration of more concepts from the PMI Agile Practice guide to better address hybrid and waterfall projects.

**Please note:** The "how to" information is being moved to PMISTandards platform – still under development. Also definitions of PM Terminology have NOT changed.



## DID YOU KNOW?

The Job Posting Board Team offers a monthly Newsletter, Career Connection: <https://pmi-dvc.org/get-involved-new/career-connection>. Read April's edition [here](#).

## Volunteer Spotlight:

**A number of volunteer opportunities are available now! Contact the PMI-DVC leaders listed to learn more and sign up to assist.**

- **Want to introduce young (K12) people to project management?** We have several new initiatives under development and are specifically creating a team to explain project management at the 50+ schools involved with the Philadelphia Future City Competition. To get involved, contact Ken Golkin [kgolkin@pmi-dvc.org](mailto:kgolkin@pmi-dvc.org).
- **Earn PDUs & Street Cred. PMI-DVC Agile Education is looking for volunteers.** Experience in Agile frameworks and working environments required. For more information, contact Leigh Ann Gunther [lgunther@pmi-dvc.org](mailto:lgunther@pmi-dvc.org).

## A Letter from the DEI Team:

*Hello from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Team!*

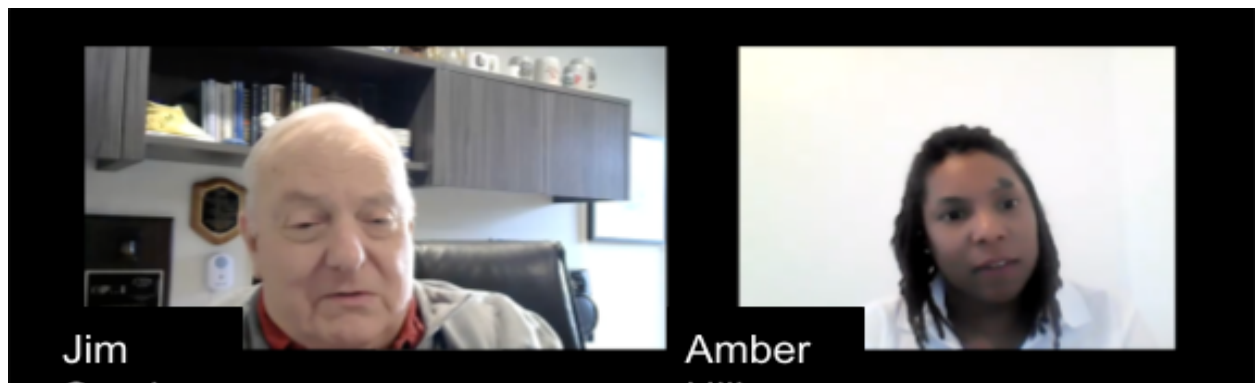
*The DEI Team is part of the PMI-DVC Membership & Volunteer Committee. The Team was formed in early January 2021. The development of the PMI-Delaware Valley Chapter's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiative is a reflection of the Chapter's commitment to advance a culture of diversity, seek equity, and strive for inclusion and belonging that enhances the Chapter.*

*The Chapter Board approved the PMI-DVC DEI Policy Statement in the Fall of 2021. The chapter respects the contributions and feedback of all members and guests, irrespective of age, race, color, ethnicity, sex/gender, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, citizenship status, religion, sexual orientation, disability, and veteran or military status. The recruitment, selection, nomination, and appointment decisions in the Chapter are based on the candidate's qualifications and abilities.*

*This year the DEI Team has engaged speakers for two events in June and September 2022. Watch for details on the Chapter Events calendar to sign-up. The soon-to-be launched enhanced Chapter website will include a section dedicated to DEI resources.*

*You are invited to volunteer, share suggestions, offer future DEI topics, content or speakers by contacting Priya Rajagopalan, Director, DEI at [prajagopalan@pmi-dvc.org](mailto:prajagopalan@pmi-dvc.org), or Marie Hegarty, VP, Membership and Volunteer Committee at [mhegarty@pmi-dvc.org](mailto:mhegarty@pmi-dvc.org).*

## Chapter Member Talks, A Series



As a new feature of our newsletter, we would like to present interviews with various members of the Chapter, including our Board Members. Through a series of short, virtual interviews with

members of the Chapter Board and other Chapter members, we're asking questions like, "Why did you join PMI?" and "How did you get into Project Management?"

*This month, Marketing & Communications Committee Member Amber Hill, PMP sits down with one of PMI's original founders, Jim Snyder.*

**[Watch the INTERVIEW now](#)**

***Interested in contributing your own Project Management Experiences in PMI-DVC Connect?***

Please send any experiences you would like to share to the newsletter editors at [rlobron@pvc-dvc.org](mailto:rlobron@pvc-dvc.org).

## **Member Benefits**

***Congratulations to the following students who recently completed their CAPM or PMP Exam Prep Study Groups! We wish them good luck in their certification exams!***

**Spring 2022 CAPM Exam Prep Study Group** – Krista Bendersky, Jasmine Campbell, Noor Dabdoub, Jennifer Fiss, Tracey Goldstein, Sara Hansen, Tia Jones, Mary Mason, Rajendra Medepalle, Kimberly Murphy, Makeeda Murray, Rizwana Vahora, and Jonathan Whetstone.

**Spring 2022 PMP Exam Prep Study Group** – Staci Almquist, Jeremy Boody, Nicole Bothwell, Samantha Dayton, Sarah Fox, Kristine Hartz, Edward Hastings, Renae Hesnan, Allen Hughes, Richard Junod, Dorothy Koons, Julia Leyden, Mary Mason, Mario Matthews, Greg McGraw, Sarah Morrison, Julian Muhammad, Adesola Ogundimu, Frank Recknagel Jr, Devon Scanlan, Hima Bindu Reddy Seerapu, Kim Thomas-Odom, Sharda Vaughn, Charles Wachira, and Dominic Williams.

**THANK YOU!!** – A special thank you to our exam prep instructors who volunteered their time to help our members prepare for their certification exams: Sally Buckwalter, Mark Gershon, Ruth Anne Guerrero, Glenn Kmecz, Sherrell Mickens, and Harris Snyder.

## **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 **79** New Members who joined the Chapter in **April, 2022!** Abiodun Adeyemi, Catherine Allen, Jason Ancillai, Cynthia Arnold, John Auer, Cynthia Bart, Showmen Barua, Bob Bazinet, Matthew Bennett, Y. Deneice Berry, Cora Bifferato, Varun Kumar Booragala, Kenneth Bradley, Austin Braine, Mackenzie Brown, Steven Bruno, Joseph Carlamere, Asad Chaudhry, Travis Ciriaco, Joseph Clemente, Amanda Cooper, Christopher Cosimano, Chase Duncan, Emma Dunlevy, Brittney Eckert, Christine Edillon, Caitlin Emas, Anya Even, Raegan Ferreira, Kevin Flowers, Taryn Foy, Justin Frankel, Kris Fraser, Mi Frock, Sarah Gagne, Nick Gaiero, Casey Gibson, Rebecca Goodman, Susan Green, Anna Guerrette, Preeti Gupta, Cassidy Hardy,

Allen Heggs Jr., Sarah Johns, Holly Jones, Samantha Kendrick, Nic Knepp, Justen Koo, Haly Laasme-McQuilkin, John Paul Larson, Katherine LeVine, Neil MacDonald, Stephen MacGillivray, Joseph Matteo, Allison McGrew, Anthony McGuigan, Gina Melaragni, John Morrow, Kevin Mrazik, Jillian Neal, Kem Odike, Amrutha Patil, Elizabeth Phillips, Natalie Rahming, Heather Roberts, Isabel Sanz, Nina Seidel, Morgan Smith, Wenjie Song, Saadiq Stewart, Dustin Utt, Pradeep Verma, Gregory Wallace, Samuel Walus, Elvina Wardjiman Chen, Amy Wasserman, Gmerice Welch, Kathleen Welsh, and Sara Witz.

## Member Certifications:

# Congratulations

...to our newest Certificate holders who achieved certifications in April, 2022:

- Congratulations to our newest Certificate holders who achieved certifications in **April, 2022:**
  - **AM-MC** (Agile Metrics Micro Credential) – Kurt Seidel
  - **DASM** – Chris Dascenzo, Chris Maisto, and William Nass
  - **PMI-ACP** – Carmel Kremser
  - **PMP** – Geoffrey Axtell, Varun Kumar Booragala, Robert Brenneman, Edward Burns, Sheila Callahan, Samantha Dayton, Jeffrey Gingerich, Erin Gomulka, Preeti Gupta, Paul Heffernan, Chiquita Holloway, Ryan Kloepfer, Andrew Laba, Robert, McDonald, Colleen Mullen, Jonathan Roselle, Ranjan Saha, Dianna Sands, Kari Sexauer, Wenjie Song, Gina Tursi, Virlene Tyler, and John Wynn
- **20-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **20 years** of certification in **April, 2022:**
  - **PMP** – Anthony Carcillo, Jr., Thomas Gaughan, and Suzanne Liebowitz Taylor
- **15-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **15 years** of certification in **April, 2022:**
  - **PMP** – Brenda Belkin, Stephanie Carr, William Dreizler, Susan Hawkins, Derrick Lowery, Kevin McDonald, Lisa O'Brien, Bridget O'Connor, Russell Riva, and Leon Roomberg
- **10-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **10 years** of certification in **April, 2022:**
  - **PMP** – Mary Lynne Bercik, Stephanie Davis, Jamer Doughty, Fernando Gonzalez San Francisco, Paul Grant, Ariel Liriano, and Walter Wujcik
- **5-year anniversaries** - Congratulations to our Certificate holders celebrating **5 years** of certification in **April, 2022:**

- **CAPM** – Kerrilynn Steck
- **PMI-ACP** – David Jenkins and Andrew Jordan
- **PMP** – Rita Allishaw-Wall, Sr., Christopher Beeson, Paul Bizon, Christopher Blume, Tamika Davis-Cannon, Thomas Gallagher, Dana Kelley, Lisa Kemble, Irene Lee, Shelli Petsch, Walter Rawlins, Leta Re-McGlynn, Richard Stein, Vincent Strate, and Veronica Viggiano

---

**Special Thanks to our Sponsors and Educational Partners**

---

**Gold  
Sponsors**



**Educational  
Partners**





## ***\*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.***

Support the PMI-DVC chapter by following us on social media and engaging with the posts.

