

## From the Marketing and Communications Team and Editor

Welcome to the **March** Issue of our Chapter's newsletter, *PMI-DVC Connect*!

In this issue, we encourage participation in the **PMXPO**. We also bring awareness of **PMI Special Interest Groups (SIGs)**. 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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### President's Corner:

Ken Golkin, PMP

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### Remembering Jim Snyder

Jim Snyder's passing is the end of an era. Jim was the last living founder of PMI. For a lot of us it is much more personal. Jim was also the founder of PMI-DVC and he served the chapter and mentored its leaders for over four decades. PMI-DVC's 45th Anniversary and Honor Jim celebration has evolved into PMI-DVC's 45th Anniversary and Remember Jim celebration. It will still be a good time, but with a touch of sadness. Join with us on April 16, 2024 for the celebration. [Learn more and register.](#)



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

<b>Winter 2024 PMI's ATP PMP® Exam Prep Course</b> March 2nd to April 6th, 2024	\$1191.00 for members / \$1505.00 for non-members <a href="#">Read More &gt;&gt;</a>
<b>Penn State Great Valley: Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM®) Exam Prep Course</b> April 8th to June 17th, 2024	\$775.00Members/ \$775.00Non members <a href="#">Read More &gt;&gt;</a>



Ready to jump-in and join the PMI Delaware Valley Chapter Volunteer Team?

1. Visit the [PMI Volunteer Site](#)
2. Select the United States.
3. And, under *Chapter/Global HQ*, select **DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER**.

Browse the open positions and apply. Descriptions of each position are provided. One of our volunteers will be in touch shortly to welcome you into the fold.

Do you have questions about volunteering with the Chapter? [Reach out to Marie >>](#)



## News from the DEI Team

### **PMXPO March 21, 2024 10AM – 2:45PM (EDT)**

Preview Day: March 20, 2024 8AM-11AM (EDT)

A [must-see virtual event](#) *FREE* for everyone. Save your seat! You [must register](#) to attend.

#### *The Future of Your Work*

- *Learn. Connect. Grow.*
- *Elevate your skills at PMXPO 2024, the premier virtual event for project professionals!*
- *Engage with industry experts, and gain actionable insights to elevate project success!*
- *Elevate your project management career to new heights.*

*This transformative event will empower you to achieve project success, and position you as a project leader! Whether you're new to project management or a seasoned professional, you can take your career to new heights—and earn 10+ PDUs!*

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For more information on all of the Chapter course offerings on CAPM, Foundations and PMP and to register (once registration is open) go to:

<https://pmi-dvc.org/earn-certifications-overview>



## Current Postings

The Chapter offers members a listing of open positions posted by recruiters or companies seeking Project Managers, Program Managers, Portfolio Managers, or similar roles. The positions are posted for 30 days only. Log in to access the [Job Board](#).

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## From PMI-DVC's Interest Groups

### Embrace the Future of Project Management: Join the Communication and Leadership SIG!

Calling all project professionals! Are you ready to level up your communication and leadership skills to thrive in an ever-evolving landscape? We're excited to announce the launch of the Communication & Leadership Special Interest Group (SIG), your one-stop platform for mastering these essential "power skills."

#### Why Join?

- Stay ahead of the curve: Communication and leadership are critical for project success in today's dynamic world. This SIG equips you with the tools and knowledge to become a future-proof project leader.
- Network with like-minded professionals: Build valuable connections, share experiences, and collaborate with others passionate about communication and leadership.
- Access exclusive resources and events: Gain insights from industry experts, attend interactive workshops, and participate in focused discussions on relevant topics.

#### How to Get Involved:

- Attend Our Events: Mark your calendars! Details of our upcoming events will be shared shortly. These gatherings are your ticket to learning, networking, and professional development.

- Volunteer: Elevate your career and our community by taking on a role within the SIG. Whether you're interested in event planning, content creation, or leadership positions, your talents are welcome.

Let's Make an Impact Together: The Communication and Leadership SIG is more than just a group; it's a movement towards embracing the power skills that drive project success. By joining, you're not only investing in your professional development but also contributing to a culture that values growth, leadership, and communication.

Learn more and become part of the Communication & Leadership SIG journey!

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#### How about the news from PMI's Pierre LeManh:

- PMI has begun the process of developing the first ANSI-accredited standard for Artificial Intelligence in Project, Program, and Portfolio Management.
- This Summer, PMI expects to unveil its AI Guide for Project Managers. The guide will be a collection of resources and tools—think of it as an extension of our other AI-related courses, thought leadership, and your AI teammate PMI Infinity. It will be a living document that we'll update in real-time as AI technology evolves.
- PMI's second course on AI in Project Management, "[Data Landscape of GenAI for Project Managers](#)," Value: 5 PDUs, Complimentary for members, \$16 for non-members.
- Have you registered for the [March 21, 2024 PMIXPO](#) online event, open to all, with a value of 10 PDUs. This event offers impactful sessions on the ever-evolving landscape of project management—including how to unleash the power of AI to discover new ways of working—are designed to both empower and inspire.

Reminder to register for our PMI-DVC AI SIG's upcoming monthly events:

- April 17: AI Roadmap: Asana and Industry Perspectives
- May 7: How To Run Successful AI Projects and Avoid Failure
- May 30: CyberSecurity & AI: What Every PM Should Know - Location: TBD

Your AI SIG Core Team is planning to offer in-person events throughout the Summer.

*New!* Interested in receiving PMI-DVC AI SIG updates as they are posted to the [AI Interest Group webpage](#)? If so, complete the short form at the bottom of our webpage.

Remember, the future of project management is AI-powered!

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#### Upcoming Agile Events

- March 20: Adapt, Adopt and Thrive
- April 9: What is Agile and the Agile Mindset
- May 14: Intermediate & Advanced Techniques for Scrum Masters and Agile Coaches
- June 4: Agile Transformation: Playing the Long Game for Real Change

To learn more about the topic/speaker and to register, [click](#)

#### We Need You!

We want to hear from you if you are interested in enhancing your knowledge of Agile Principles and values, giving back to the community and earning PDUs while participating in the following activities:

- Creating richer member experiences with our Monthly Member Event Series. We could use your help if you are interested in contributing as a presenter, speaker, facilitator, graphic recorder, marketer—or something else.
- Writing, editing and/or curating Agile content on our blog and website.
- Joining our Expert Content Review Team, who is responsible for reviewing submissions and site feedback for technical accuracy and adherence to principles set forth in the Agile Manifesto.
- Expanding and refining our Agile terminology, a hugely important part of our work.

- Joining us to spread accurate Agile Principles, Practices and Values to our New, Intermediate and Advanced Agile Professionals.

To join our Agile SIG, contact me Sanjoy or complete the [Volunteer Opportunity ID: 44436](#).

Thank you!

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## From the Contracting and Consulting Special Interest Group (SIG)

Learn and grow with the new Contracting and Consulting SIG!

- Are you interested in independent contracting or consulting?
- Do you have an established consulting business and want to grow or expand your network?
- Do you want to explore alternative ways of working?

The new Contracting & Consulting Special Interest Group (SIG) within PMI-DVC will support PMI-DVC members by providing education, mentorship, and networking opportunities for members interested in starting or expanding their business as independent contractors and/or consultants. With a focus on grass roots methods of professional development, the SIG will focus on providing face to face and virtual networking opportunities, education, and focused discussion (promoting open dialogue and exchanges of ideas) on topics and issues relevant to independent contractors and consultants in the field of project management.

We are excited to kick things off! We are looking for volunteers to serve on the Contracting and Consulting SIG committee. Please contact Tari Johnson, if interested.

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*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 81 New Members who joined the Chapter in February 2024

Kwabena Adjei, Emanuel Alves, Julia Ausborn, Vikram Baddela, Antonio Berardi, Maruita Blake, Sean Blochberger, Nicole Bracey-Johnson, Angela Brinker, Constance Burnett, Mitch Camman, Lynne Caponetti, Mark Christman, Adeleke Coker, Krista Cole, Randall Cole, Shakima Crooks, Bruce Dalrymple, Jonathan Davidson, David Denoviolertola, Naomi Derrick, Tania DiOdoardo, Jessica Evans, David Favor, John Fricke, Sam Friedman, Sarah Gomez, Venugopa Gudipati, Kyle Hanlan, Jason Hanlon, John Harrington, Briana Hayes, Caleb Hearn, Meaghan Hill, Devon Hooper, Jeanne Keagey, Thomas Keiser, Kaitlyn Kilduff, Alicia Kocareli, Matthew Koon, Christopher Kueny-Rongione, Hillary Kurland, Ian Larson, Dale Lintner, Ross Logan, Suzette Lopez, Carl Machutta, Tara Martin, Robyn Matthews, Nicholas Mitchell, Patrice Moody, Lesley Morris, Tracey Moses, Dominic Muriungi, Tamika Murphy, Shea O’Donnell, Carolyn O’Malley, Scipio Osborne, Sangeeta Parulekar, Michael Pope, Erin Riebel, Floyd Sayre, Jennifer Schaeffer, Leigh Ann Schlotz, Julie Sedora, Mengyi Shi, Charles Sinondon, Zachary Ssebatindira, Sridhar Suri, Devon Thompson, Rebekah Tiffany, Theresa Verra, Ryan Veverka, Trevor Waldspurger, Daniel Walto, Samuel Waltzer, James Whalen, Tyrone Woods, Melanie Woon, Andrew Wursta, Bing Yu

## Member Anniversaries:

- **Congratulations** to our members who celebrated Chapter membership anniversaries in February 2024:
  - **35 Years** – William Schnauffer
  - **20 Years** – Michael Benton, Mary Lynne Bercik, Craig Cleveland, Sean Shamba Donovan, David Porreca, Jennifer Nelson, Francesca Robison, Michael Zambon
  - **15 Years** – Jean Buskirk, Elizabeth Camerota, Andrea Cephas, Portia Daye, Mark Girshovich, Darell Linder, Arita Petterson,
  - **10 Years** – Deborah Alexander, Francisco Buella, Scott Cornish, Gerald Courtney, Michael Domingo, Robert Rudloff, Tara Russo, Brian Thuer



- **5 Years** – Adwele Adelegan, Yvonne Albright, Joan Barbeau, Shernette Beckford, Morgan Bolden, Henry Brown, Steve Cobb, Lennox Hyman, Meghan Kear, Jackie Knorr, Heather Lalier, John Leonard, Molly Phifer, Katarzyna Piskorska, Jonathan Rado, Andrea Shelton, Richard Spencer, Jack Strogus

## Member Certifications:

- **Congratulations** to our newest Certificate holders who achieved certifications in February 2024:
  - [CAPM](#) - Shakima Crooks, Elizabeth DiArcangelo, Ross Logan
  - [PMI-ACP](#) - Mutasem Alsoub, Ryan Foster
  - [PMP](#) – Kwabena Adjei, Januaris Asongu, Michael Costantini, Cassandra DiCarlo, Marcos Elizondo, Charisse Fletcher, Michael Fulvio, Shahadat Hoshen, Danielle Joyner, Patrick Livingston, Michael Mekailek, Nicholas Mitchell, Dave Mongada, Lesley Morris, Ehimen Ogienagbon, Joy Phadte, Kamila Walker

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## 2024 Annual Plan Goals

*Increase membership engagement*

*Support Member Career Growth*

*Make it easy*

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