

From the Marketing and Communications Team

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

During the summer months, keep up with the PMI DVC chapter offerings like Special Interest Groups (SIGs) and specialty area-focused chapter events. Please review our regular sections, including President's Corner and Upcoming Events.

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President's Corner:

Ken Golkin, PMP

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Summer 2024 - What Is Important to Your Career?

First, I hope everyone is having a great summer and had an Independence Day as wonderful as mine. I am fortunate to have a family member who was invited to the White House celebration for families of staffers and local to D.C. military (my daughter is both) and was able to bring me along, thus, this month's selfie. The fireworks were great but the most interesting part of the event were the remarks by the country's leaders about the service that our military and civil servants do for our country. Most of the work is unseen and the sacrifices of the military and their families are rarely recognized...[Read more of Ken's recent post and more from President's Corner here.](#)



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

Special Event: PMI: NEXT August 14, 2024 Wednesday (6:30 pm - 8:30 pm) via Zoom	Free for members/ Free for non-members Read More >>
Chapter Meeting: External Stakeholder Communication & Personal Branding with Social Media Date August 20, 2024 Tuesday (6:30 pm - 8:30 pm) via Zoom	Free for members/ Free for non-members Read More >>
Special Event: Starting your Project Management Contracting/Consulting Business: A Round Table Discussion August 21, 2024 Wednesday (6:30 pm - 8:30 pm) In-Person	\$15 for members/ \$20 for non-members Read More >>



Why Serve on the PMI-DVC Board of Directors?

The career benefits of [Board service](#) are invaluable. When you apply for jobs or contracts, you need to distinguish yourself from the competition. According to recruiters in 2024, once a position is posted, they can receive as many as 50 resumes within the first few hours.

[Board service](#) can set you apart. It reflects a commitment to the profession beyond certification and experience—it shows that you are someone who gives back. [Read more here.](#)

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 >>](#)



Project Managers Without Borders Joins Project Management Institute to Expand and Strengthen Project Management's Positive Impact on the World

By, Marie Hegarty

More than 700,000 PMI Members will have more opportunities to volunteer their time and project management skills to help nonprofits and NGOs maximize project success.

Underscoring its commitment to the project management profession to maximize project success and impact positive change, Project Management Institute (PMI), the world's leading authority for project professionals, is unifying operations with [Project Managers Without Borders \(PMWB\)](#). This brings together the two organizations' individual aspirations to drive social impact through project success and brings this mission closer to the core purpose of PMI.

The PMI Hours for Impact initiative, which started several years ago, encourages Project Managers around the world to share how they applied their project management expertise to projects supporting the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). In 2023 alone, project managers pledged 721,896 hours to more than 850 projects in 123 countries.

[Project Managers Without Borders](#) joining PMI gives our global community of talented PM's the opportunity to lend their skills – and a helping hand – to the nonprofits and NGOs helping people around the world.

Key Values of the Partnership:

- More Volunteers to Make an Impact
- Bigger Global Footprint
- Combined Talent and Expertise

THINK GLOBALLY, ACT LOCALLY

PMI-DVC volunteer members bring our mission to life. Our volunteer team of PM's and practitioners shape and inform every component, program, and event of the Chapter. The Chapter will benefit from your experience, expertise, and time. You will benefit by expanding

networks, sharpening skills, earning PDUs, and meeting PMs in many industries and companies.

Join our volunteer community and make a difference! No matter what your interests, the PMI Delaware Valley Chapter has a volunteer position where you can use your skills and give back to the PMI community. For more information: <https://pmi-dvc.org/volunteer-corps>



The Intra-Organizational Liaison Committee (IOLC)

is a new group formed by PMI-DVC's President Ken Golkin. Its focus is to deepen the relationship of all sponsors, partners, and supporters by strategically connecting with synergetic organizations. We work with different groups within the PMI-DVC team to leverage our wide network of relationships and continue delivering value to our members. Our relationships range from universities, corporations, nonprofits, and professional organizations. If you are interested in joining a committee that collaborates and leverages opportunities with external-facing institutions and expands your network of influence, let's connect.

[WITI : Workforce Innovation, Trust and Influence](#) has offered **6** PMI-DVC chapter members one-year free membership - a value of \$297. Interested? Email [Paula DAmico](#) for details.

For the most up-to-date information from your PMI-DVC AI SIG, subscribe to our [webpage](#),

[Rebeca Cruz](#)

Dir. Intra-Organizational Liaison Committee



The Contracting & Consulting Special Interest Group (SIG)

Thanks to everyone that attended our first professional development offering. The committee looks forward to educating project management professionals on subject matter pertinent to building their businesses as independent project management consultants.

SAVE THE DATE! On August 21st, the SIG will hold an in-person roundtable discussion focused on the nuts and bolts of starting a consulting business. Please look out for the registration link to register!

We are still in need of volunteers to serve on the Contracting and Consulting SIG committee. Remember that volunteer hours also count towards PDUs! Please contact Tari Johnson, if interested.

Looking forward to all this SIG will deliver.

[Tari Johnson, M.Ed., PMP, PMI-ACP, CSM](#)

Director, Contracting & Consulting SIG



The Leadership and Communication SIG

Building High-Performing Teams Together

Welcome to our Leadership and Communication Special Interest Group! We aim to enhance your project management skills and help you lead high-performing teams.

Upcoming Events: Enhance Your Skills and Expand Your Network

[August 20, 2024: External Stakeholder Communication & Personal Branding with Social Media](#)

Suzanne Dreitlein, PMI-DVC VP Marketing & Communications; Co-director K-12 Outreach; Social Media Manager will share insights on utilizing social media for stakeholder engagement and how to build your personal brand. Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your projects and relationships.

Volunteer Opportunities: You can contribute and grow with us as volunteering offers a chance to impact our initiatives, build connections, and apply the strategies discussed in our sessions. Join us to drive our mission forward.

For more information and to get involved, please contact [Vaughnda Johnson, PMP, Director of Leadership & Communication SIG](#). Let's build a community that champions growth, leadership, and influence!

[Vaughnda Johnson, PMP](#)

Director, Leadership & Communication SIG



Agile SIG

Upcoming Agile Events

07/23/2024: Understanding Value Stream Management for Digital Products

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

Please stay tuned for interesting Agile speakers and events in the coming months!

Agile SIG is still looking for engaged and committed volunteers.

Interested? Contact Sanjoy or complete the [Volunteer Opportunity ID: 44436](#).

[Sanjoy Bhattacharjee MSBIA, PMP, ACP, DASSM](#)

Director, Agile - SIG



AI x PM SIG

Powering You Forward!

Upcoming Events:

[August 8, 1-2 pm: Still using Excel to Manage Your Projects? How to move to Microsoft Planner & Project](#)

Progility offered an excellent virtual demonstration of how Microsoft Planner, Teams, PowerBI and Co-Pilot work together in July. If you missed it, review the recording [here](#). Register for the August 8th and future Progility events on EventBrite.

[August 14, 2024: Join us for Sarah Maxwell, PMI's Region 4 Chapter Engagement Specialist's presentation and discussion of PMI:NEXT.](#) PMI: NEXT is PMI's vision for growth and innovation which emphasizes the importance of adapting to industry trends and embracing new technologies.

Have you read [PMI's July Newsletter available on LinkedIn?](#)

1. [PMI's new course, Talking to AI: Prompt Engineering for Project Managers](#), is designed to help you effectively leverage Large Language Models (LLMs) like ChatGPT and PMI Infinity. Get responses that are relevant, customized, and insightful for your project

needs. [Prompt Engineering Essential for Project Managers](#), a 34 page primer; time commitment, 60 minutes; value: 3 PDUs and complimentary to PMI members, [Register Now](#).

2. [PMI Infinity Updates](#) Your AI-powered co-pilot leveled up! Say hello to your new prompt library! Achieve specific outcomes through a curated repository of prompts created and vetted by the PMI community. And experience improved contextual understanding with system prompts that better distinguish between “Learning” and “Task” modes. Whether you want to get things done or deep dive into a topic, we’ve got you covered. [Learn more](#).
3. Don’t forget to [subscribe](#) to the AI Digest page for AI-related content.

PMI is picking up the pace! Start or expand your AI Transformation journey today!

[Paula DAmico, PMP, CSSBB, MBB, MBA](#)

Director, AI SIG & Group Director, SIGs



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](#).



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

New Members

- **Congratulations** Welcome to the new members who recently joined the Chapter:

Danielle Aarstad, Sarbaja Adhikari, Kouame Aka, Kalyani Anantapantula, Sandra Ann Anderson, Mone Angelikas, Marsha Antes, Felicia Arnold-Carter, Mwat Asedeh, Selma Aurelien, Ayobami Isaac Awoyinka, Neelam Banga, Shirley Banh, Laura Barrio Real, Nicole Bell, Bear Betzler, Shantell Beverly, Lanette Biggs, Diana Bishara, Michelle Bodary, Renee Bomgardner, Joseph Bonansinga, John Bonslaver, Jr., Tiffini Brabham, Michael James Breen, Rohan Brooks, Chelsea Brown, RC Brown, Charles D Bryson II, Victor Bulaya, Joseph W. Bus, Nathaniel James Carpenter, Larissa Cates, Alexandra Chambers, Dominic Chiplonia, Cathleen Chun, Kyle Collins, Aaron Console, David Cribb, Travon Cromwell, Shauniece Daniel, Mihir Darji, Erik Daron, Robert Carpenter Dewey, Ferne Dillard, Keith Doyle, Maura Duffy, Ziad Elghazali, Joel E Emerson, Nicholas Esposito, Rebecca Fisher, Stacey Yvonne Fitzpatrick, Jessica Michelle Flanagan, Tanya Fulwiley, Derwin Alister George, Odessa Georgia, James Giltzow, Jason Goodman, Gavin Grant, Kang Guo, Amanda Haertter, Jamal Harrell, Chantel C Helmick, Michael Henegan, Jaylin Heuston, Kimberly Hill-Lanzetta, Lynne Isopi, Darryl Jackson, Janine Jacobs, Miriam Jalloh, Kristin Jemison, Diamond Jones, Anoop Joseph, Julia Kester, Jen Kieffer, Ram Naresh Kommanaboyina, Milos Kukoleca, Zachary Landicini, Giana Lawrence-Primus, Chloe Levine Tyler Lewandowski, Everton Lindsay, Mari Lockwood, Nancy Lumb, Brian Lynch, II, James David Madera, Brittany Maguire, Allen Maitz, Heather Malandra, Jason Matta, Matthew McCullin, Melissa McIntyre, Gerard Edward McKenzie, Kelly McMillan, Kristine Mellett, Tabish Mian, David M. Miller, Christopher Moffett, Debra Monaghan, Nicolle Morales Kern, Hassan Niaz, David O'Brien, Brian Thomas O'Keefe, Oludemilade Olajoyegbe, Angela Ortiz, Chloe Paggao, Srinivas Pampati, Vivien Parent, Eric Park, Randle Parker, Sandeep Phookan, Jermaine Pickett, Ebony Pierce, Tinamarie Pierson, Annmarie Popjoy, Brian Powell, Ravindra Pradhan, Allison Rametta, Clint Regennitter, Romane Orlando Robb, Ambra Robinson, Ianyea Robinson, David Romanofski, Anne Romulus, Teresa Rosemond, Richard Sanders, Bradley Sariego, Michelle Satler, Bob Schatz, Paul A Schneible, Mike Schwalje, Gayle Schwartz, Gretchen Shanfeld, Shashikiran, Crystal Sloat, Arin Smith, Emma Smith, Brian Andrew Sokolowski, Brad Sukala, Elizabeth Swiezkowski, Mirabelle Tassah, Bria Ryan Terrell, Anthony Tornetta, Kellee Travis, Jenelle Triscari, Anthony Watson, Arthur Webb, Gene Weiser, Garrett Welsh, Nelson Whitney, Jamie Whitworth, Nicholas Wiggin, Anthony Michael Wilkes, Brittany Wong, Ying Zhou

Member Anniversaries

- ***Congratulations*** to our members who recently celebrated Chapter membership anniversaries:
 - **25 Years** – Reginald Motley
 - **20 Years** – Robert Carney, Brian Dakin, Barbara Goulart, Michelle Haitsch, Michael Impriano, Peter Kolevas, Karen McCarthy, Craig Morea, Alexander Orsini, Benjamin Paget, Nora Petchkofski, Joseph Sheridan, Sujan Thanjavuru, Melissa Waetjen, Frank Yeung
 - **15 Years** – Paul Bedard, Shari Cohn, Robert Danek, Brian Gallagher, Chris Harding, Ralph Ingerto, David Krupitzer, Jacqueline Maniscalco, Ajit Mharte, Gary Missan, Richard Powers, Sharon Pressner Joshowitz, Laura Rhubart, Cassandra San Jose, Melissa Schneider, Karen Sheedy, Sunita Venkatraman, Michel Washington, Delmar Watkins
 - **10 Years** – Kellen Amobi, Petra Anderson, Christopher Anstey, Kelly Aubart, Camille Blanche, Sally Buckwalter, Wilson Cheung, George Chu, Bimpe Dada, Tricia Heinrichs, Amber Hill, Amy Himmelberger, Barbara Lassoﬀ, Ariel Lester, Laura Miller, KarenMorgan, RobinNeff, Katrina O'Hara, Ravindra Peddamalla, Andrew Tappata, Mindi Walker
 - **5 Years** – Bridget Alomia, Benjamin Alvarez, Julie Alvarez, Jodi Banks, Rachael Barrett, Patricia Burke, Michael Cavallaro, Warren Chester, Melissa Dunoff, Julia Dwyer, Jennifer Faulkner Murter, Kevin Fein, Dena Ferrell, Jeanne FitzPatrick, Rosemary Francis, Ryan Gailey, Anthony Innerarity, Filippa Karcewski, Nicole Kastor, Kyle Kincaid, Sailendra Koppana, Meghan Lopes, Elise May, James McDonough, John McLaughlin, Carolina Paleari, Seth Pensgen, Christian Peta, Ragini Prasad, Tim Rea, Joelle Roberts, Bill Sabey, Ankit Shah, Julie Smith, John Stanton, Gregory Suey, Theodore Szklenski, Brandon Toole, Jon Willis, Lamont Womack

Member Certifications

- ***Congratulations*** to our newest Certificate holders who recently achieved certifications:
 - **CAPM** – Nathaniel James Carpenter, Les F Chewning, Steven Gdowik, Journey Hammond, Leah Anne Huf, Sarah Maxwell, Francis Phillips, Teresa Rosemond, Jeanne Boyd Shea, Brenda Celestine Turner
 - **DASM** – Sean Lufkin

- [ECC](#) – Ian Terrince Davis
- [OTF](#) – Robert Majure, William Montgomery
- [OTI](#) – Robert Majure
- [OTO](#) – Robert Majure
- [PMI-ACP](#) – Marisa N Garge
- [PMI-RMP](#) – William H Willson
- [PMP](#) – Danielle Aarstad, John Bonslaver, Jr., Michael James Breen, Erin Burke, Michelle Cordero, Lucienne Creque, Jodi Croisette, Mihir Darji, Robert Carpenter Dewey, Ashley Dierolf, Robert Drewicz, Jenelle Kathryn Garcia, Callie Gillett, John Hatz, III, Caleb Hearn, Chelsy Heydt, Meaghan Hill, Heather Ann Hutchinson, Alia Jenkins, Shannon Kniele, Jordan Lally, Antoinette Marie Little, Meghan Lopes, Xavier Lopez-Mas, Saloni Lulie, Allen Maitz, Robyn Matthews, Matthew McCullin, Umberto Merotto, Osmond Mincarelli, Lynne Nolan, Clare Jeanne Reckner, Marichelle Rocha, Anne Romulus, Joshua Ryan, Michelle Satler, Jessica Schroeder, Peter Schwalbenberg, Gayle Schwartz, Natalie Seweryn, Mengyi Shi, Zachary Skinner, Vinay Sridhar, China Thomas, Po-Hua Tseng, Arthur Webb, Gene Weiser, William Welsh

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Support Member Career Growth

Make It Easy

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