

# PMI Mid-Mo Chapter News

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## PMI KC Mid America Chapter Hosts The 2003 Project Management Professional Development Symposium September 29 – 30, 2003 Overland Park Convention Center 6000 College Boulevard Overland, Park, KS

KC Mid America Professional Development Symposium (KCPDS03) provides project management practitioners an opportunity to gain knowledge, skills, and PDU credits. You will leave the symposium with ideas that you can take back to the office and apply the next day. The symposium lasts two days and allows attendees the opportunity to earn 14 PDUs.

This symposium is dedicated to helping project managers develop project management expertise, to help you achieve your PMP, to help you maintain your PMP, and provide you with additional project management skills and knowledge. If you are interested in developing as a project manager, please plan to attend.

The symposium will be divided into three tracks. Track 1 will focus on PMP Certification, while Tracks 2 and 3 will address other topics of interest to all PMI members. These tracks include presentations by both nationally recognized speakers as well as local chapter PMPs.

Key Note Speaker is Paula K. Martin, founder and CEO of Martin Training Associates and author of several project management books and publications.

Complete details are published at [www.kcpmichapter.org](http://www.kcpmichapter.org).

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## In the News

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PMI Friday Facts and Leadership Links

- **Congratulations** to the PMI Human Resources Specific Interest Group (SIG), the PMI Cologne (Germany) Chapter, PMI Yugoslavian Chapter, PMI Calumet, Indiana (USA), PMI Recife, Pernambuco (Brazil) and the PMI Chattanooga, Tennessee (USA) chapter on recently receiving their charters! ([marykate.bushnell@pmi.org](mailto:marykate.bushnell@pmi.org))
- **Make Every Project Easier!**  
*The PMI® Compendium of Project Management Practices*, an interactive CD-ROM, is a useful reference for entry to mid-level practitioners. By combining templates, checklists, and outlines, along with relevant text, *The Compendium* provides a user-friendly way to identify key practices that may be critical to the management of particular projects. Although generic in nature, these tools will help you think through each practice and produce an appropriate plan or document for each stage of a project. You can create customized, printable templates as well! All content in *The Compendium* is consistent with *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide)*-2000 Edition. *The Compendium* can be purchased at [www.pmibookstore.org](http://www.pmibookstore.org). ISBN 1930699026, nonmember price \$124.95 (US), member price \$89.95 (US). ([danielle.moore@pmi.org](mailto:danielle.moore@pmi.org))
- **John Roecker, EdD, PMI's Manager, Professional Development Programs, was featured in an article about project management training** in the July/August 2003 issue of *Projects@Work* magazine. The article discusses how companies are developing project management training programs to improve their project management practices. The article features four companies and their corporate project management training programs that have been recognized as best practices. Those companies are Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc., CGI Group, Microsoft Services and PricewaterhouseCoopers. Among the key factors in each of these successful training programs are the use of the nine knowledge areas as outlined by *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide)* and PMI's certifications: Project Management Professional (PMP®) and Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM™). [Read this article](#) or contact John Roecker for more information. ([john.roecker@pmi.org](mailto:john.roecker@pmi.org)).

## CHANGES IN PMI CONTINUING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS PROGRAM

**PMP® Application for Certification Renewal mailing update.** The PMI® Certification Department has altered the process of sending Applications for Certification Renewal. The Application for Certification Renewal is the final step in the Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR) program. After a PMP completes all required Professional Development Units (PDUs) for their current CCR cycle, they will be approved to receive the Application for Certification Renewal. In the past, the Application for Certification Renewal was not mailed out until the final six months of a PMP certificant's CCR cycle. In an effort to better inform PMPs that their PDUs have been completed, the Application for Certification Renewal is now being sent to qualifying PMPs as soon as PMI Headquarters receives confirmation from PMI Records that all required PDUs have been accumulated. A PMP's CCR cycle expiration date will not change regardless of when they complete their CCR during their cycle. This change in procedure will reduce uncertainty regarding PMP renewal status. As a result of this change, many PMPs will get their updated/renewal certificate package significantly in advance of the cycle dates to which it applies. PMPs are reminded to keep their certification documentation in a safe place where it can easily be accessed in the event of an audit.

**Effective 1 January 2004 PMI will implement a processing fee for certification renewal.** Effective 1 January 2004 PMI will implement a processing fee for certification renewal. Renewing PMPs will be charged this fee once during each Continuing Certification Requirements cycle. Payment will be required with submission of the Application for Certification Renewal after a PMP has completed their PDUs. The amount of the certification renewal processing fee is \$150 (US) non-member \$75 (US) member.

**PMI® Introduces "PMP Retired" Status.** PMI's Certification Board Center Board of Directors recently approved a "PMP Retired" status to recognize individuals with the Project Management Professional (PMP®) accreditation who have demonstrated a lasting commitment to the project management profession, but whose primary income is no longer derived from project-related employment/services. PMPs in good standing who wish to voluntarily relinquish their active PMP credentials due to retirement, and who have abided by the PMI Project Management Professional Code of Professional Conduct, are eligible to apply for PMP Retired status. To qualify, PMPs must no longer be receiving primary remuneration for practicing project management and must have been a PMP in good standing for at least 10 consecutive years. Individuals who are granted this new distinction will not need to meet requirements of the PMP Continuing Certification Requirements program. Although not a credential for practice, PMP Retired status will entitle individuals to recognition in the registry of PMPs and to participate in activities of the PMI Certification Program. Anyone interested in applying for PMP Retired recognition should mail a written request to PMI Headquarters, Attn: Certification Department, Four Campus Boulevard, Newtown Square, PA, 19073-3299, USA

See PMI website PMI Certification Renewal section for further information

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- **PMI partners with CIO magazine on survey about project management office.** PMI and CIO magazine (CXO Media) were partners in a recent survey conducted by CIO magazine on the topic of project management office (PMO). The survey, designed to find out the importance of PMOs in organizations, the number and level of PMO executives in the corporate structure, and what types of organizations used PMOs, went to a random selection of PMI members and CIO subscribers. Three out of four respondents were members of PMI. Among the findings were that PMOs are most frequently found in finance, insurance, medical and government sectors and that larger companies are more apt to have PMOs. The survey is a feature story in the 1 July edition of CIO. There will also be a roundtable discussion on what the survey results might mean to the future of the project management field in the August edition of *PM Network*®. PMI gives special thanks to the PMI PMO Specific Interest Group (SIG) for its participation in this important research project. The information and link to the article are live in the News section of the PMI Member online community; or you can go to [www.cio.com/archive/070103/office.html](http://www.cio.com/archive/070103/office.html). ([christie.mcdevitt@pmi.org](mailto:christie.mcdevitt@pmi.org))
- **Korean translation—PMI's eighth official PMBOK® Guide—is now available!** Together with the Chinese, Spanish, Brazilian Portuguese, French, German, Italian and Japanese translations already in print, the Korean translation will be a tremendous aid to global practitioners preparing to take the Project Management Professional (PMP®) Certification Exam. All translations are available in soft cover only (paperback) and can be easily purchased at the [PMI Online Bookstore](http://PMI Online Bookstore). ([danielle.moore@pmi.org](mailto:danielle.moore@pmi.org))
- **The newest issue of PM KnowledgeWire**, the quarterly newsletter for PMI members, has been posted to the PMI Members Area under Knowledge & Wisdom Center. Besides the lead article, "Project Management Methodology," you will find regular columns - IssuesLog, Deliverables, Sound Off!, and On the Horizon. Check out the current and former issues of *PM KnowledgeWire* for practical information on project management. ([marjorie.smink@pmi.org](mailto:marjorie.smink@pmi.org))

### NEXT CHAPTER MEETINGS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

<b>September 18, 2003</b> <i>Alternative Approaches</i> <i>Preparing for the CAPM and PMP Certification</i> Columbia Country Club	Ron Parker, PMP 5:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
<b>November 13, 2003</b> <i>Can Government Benefit from Portfolio Management?</i> Summit Lake Winery	Steve Peterson 5:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

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- **PMI approves *United States Department of Defense Extension to the PMBOK® Guide as a PMI Standard.***  
In January 2001, PMI and the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) signed a Memorandum of Understanding permitting DAU to develop and publish the *U.S. DoD Extension*. The draft of the *U.S. DoD Extension* was completed via the combined efforts of Bill Bahnmaier, PMP, Debbie Gonzalez and Norm Bull of the DAU, incorporating the input of 24 DoD and defense industry contributors. Information about pricing and availability of this new PMI Standard will be forthcoming from the U.S. Government Printing Office. Like all other PMI Standards, the DoD Extension will be available in PDF format via the "Members Area" of the PMI Web site in the coming months. Watch for announcements in future Friday FACTS and in the "News" section of the [PMI home page](#). ([kristin.wright@pmi.org](mailto:kristin.wright@pmi.org))
- **Congratulations to the following project teams, and their sponsoring chapters,** for reaching the finalist round of the PMI Project of the Year Award:

- ❖ *Phoenix Project - Pentagon Renovation Program*, submitted by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, sponsored by the PMI Washington D.C. Chapter.
- ❖ *North Palin Gas Development Project*, submitted by Unocal Thailand Ltd and Unocal Global E&C; sponsored by PMI Bangkok, Thailand Chapter.
- ❖ *2002 Olympic Winter Games*, submitted by Salt Lake Organizing Committee for the Olympic Winter Games of 2002 (SLOC), sponsored by the PMI Northern Utah Chapter.

The recipient of the PMI Project of the Year Award will be announced and recognized at the PMI Awards Ceremony on Saturday, 20 September, at PMI Global Congress 2003-North America. For more information on the PMI Project of the Year, please go to the [awards section](#) of the PMI Web site. ([alison.watkins@pmi.org](mailto:alison.watkins@pmi.org))

### MID MO CHAPTER LIBRARY MOVE

The PMI Mid Missouri Chapter Library has been relocated to the office of Frank Cox, Chapter VP of Communications, where the holdings are being inventoried, organized for issue and return, and entered in a database for modified access via the Chapter Website. At present, members who desire to check out library material may do so at Frank's office at 117 Commerce Dr. in Jefferson City. Frank is employed by the Missouri Department of Corrections, where he serves as the department's information systems project management specialist. His contact information is contained in the board member listing in this newsletter. Several items from the library are currently overdue, and Frank has asked that the items be returned to support the inventory.

## PMI MEMBERS COME VISIT...the online PMI Member Community

This community was established as a place for PMI members to gain valuable information and communicate with one another. The Member Community site contains discussion forums and surveys that allow participants to exchange ideas about various project management topics and articles. Significant PMI and project management news and shared files containing useful project management information can also be accessed on the site. The topics and content will change regularly, so visit often to share your thoughts, opinions and best practices, gain new information, and learn from your peers. Any current PMI member is welcome to review and participate in the PMI Member Community. You will need a valid PMI ID number and member password to access the site.

([www.communities.pmi.org](http://www.communities.pmi.org))

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UNIT (PDU) NEWS

**Until now...** PMI has not restricted the processing of Professional Development Unit (PDU) claims submitted by PMI members who did not possess the Project Management Professional (PMP®) credential. Anyone with a PMI ID number could submit a PDU claim even though individuals who are not certified PMPs are not required to accumulate PDUs. However, due to the growing number of PMPs around the world, it has become necessary for PMI to begin charging a processing fee for certification renewal in order to cover increasing administrative costs. As a result of this decision, only PDU claims submitted by certified PMPs will be processed. Implementation of this change begins August 1, 2003. Visit the PMI Web site for more information on [PMP certification](#) and [continuing certification requirements](#). ([adam.potts@pmi.org](mailto:adam.potts@pmi.org))

**Attention Project Management Professionals...** All PDU claims that Project Management Professionals (PMP®) wish to apply to a specific Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR) cycle must be submitted **within one year** of the cycle expiration date. For example, if a PMP's CCR cycle expiration date is 31 December 2007, all claims for that cycle must be reported no later than 31 December 2008.

PDU claims submitted more than one year after the expiration date of the applicable renewal cycle will not be credited toward the required or transferable PDUs earned for that cycle.

To avoid suspension of their PMP status, PMPs must complete and submit the necessary PDUs by the expiration date of their CCR cycle. PMPs who do not submit the necessary overdue PDUs by their PMP suspension expiration date will lose their certification.

For questions or additional information contact [adam.potts@pmi.org](mailto:adam.potts@pmi.org).

## Registration is open for PMI Global Congress 2003-North America!

Plan now to join us in Baltimore, Maryland, USA, on 21-23 September at this second in a series of PMI Global Congresses, another vital step in PMI's ongoing commitment to offer high-impact, high-quality professional development to its surging global membership. Additional PMI Global Congresses, all built upon the strengths and best traditions of PMI Annual Seminars & Symposia, are planned in 2004 and 2005 to serve the Latin American and Asia/Pacific regions.

Conveniently complemented by PMI SeminarsWorld® offerings (18-21 September and 24-25 September), PMI Leadership Meeting activities (18-20 September) and PMI Research Program and PMI Standards Program Open Working Sessions (21 September), the upcoming PMI Global Congress 2003-North America presents a matchless environment to network with your project management peers while enjoying the same high-quality educational experience that has long been the hallmark of PMI's Annual Seminars & Symposia. There is simply no other professional development event like this in project management! Visit PMI Global Congress 2003-North America today!  
<http://pmiglobalcongresses.fusionproductions.com/NorthAmerica2003/>



### On Leadership...

*"The leaders who work most effectively, it seems to me, never say 'I'. And that's not because they have trained themselves not to say 'I'. They don't think 'I'. They think, 'We'; they think, 'Team'. They understand their job to be to make the team function. They accept responsibility and don't sidestep it. But 'we' gets the credit... This is what creates trust, what enables you to get the task done." Peter Drucker*