

PMI Mid-Mo Chapter News

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Board Officers Represent Chapter at PMI's Big Event

Chapter Charter Presentation Accomplished

Sources: Board and PMI Leadership Connections

President to Make Report at September Chapter Meeting

Chapter President Charles Coldwell represented the membership along with Chapter Vice President of Programs and Professional Development Faye Zumwalt at PMI's big annual event, Connections 2000 and the Global Leadership Connections earlier this month. He will report on the event at the Chapter Meeting on September 28.

Coldwell represented the Chapter in receiving the organization's Official Charter in the public event. Technically, the Charter was effective in June; however, Coldwell was invited to receive the document in public during PMI's annual symposium to symbolically recognize the work entailed in forming the new Chapter.

PMI successfully delivered a live Web broadcast of Connections 2000 opening General Session on September 11, including the keynote speech made by

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PMI Seeks Thought Leaders for OPM3 Initiative

Organizational PM Maturity Model

From the Board

Design Cell Leaders Sought to Fill Available Positions

A call for Thought Leaders for PMI's Organizational Project Management Maturity Model Project is underway and the Chapter Board encourages participation. Leaders are needed to help develop the OPM3 model, to help organizations implement organization strategy through the successful, consistent, and predictable delivery of projects.

The OPM3 direction team is now identifying elements that compose a mature (*reliable, effective, successful*) enterprise project management system, and teams or "Cells" are being formed to describe the perfected condition of each element and to model the incremental steps that result in the perfected condition of each element of the system. The team seeks to identify the general elements of a mature enterprise project management system and to enroll leaders of Design Cells by mid-October.

Leaders of Design Cells would serve on a part-time basis as volunteers who interact electronically (fax, email, phone) and sometimes in face-to-face meetings sponsored by PMI. The goal is to deliver a Program Plan at PMI 2001 Seminars and Symposium Open Standards Working Session. For more information, point your browser to www.pmi.org/opm3. The Program Plan describes the history of the model, the organization and processes involved in producing deliverables.

If you or someone you know might be interested in leading a Design Cell or participating in a team, please contact the team by email at model@tpmg.net. You may also coordinate with the Chapter Board.❖

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William Taylor, co-founder of *Fast Company* magazine. The Webcast is available for viewing in its entirety until December 1 by accessing the PMI Web site at www.pmi.org/sympo/pmi2000/broadcast.

When the Chapter President makes his report, he will be happy to take questions about Connections 2000 and Global Leadership Connections. The intent of reporting is to share in the PMI forum and pass along ideas, best practices, and other relevant information on PMI global initiatives. ❖

About the Chapter's First Sponsors

Consulting Firms Ante Up to Assist with Startup

As the Chapter began to emerge among its founders and supporters, consulting firms Rose International and Skyler-Marks each contributed \$1,000 in seed money to enable the new PMI component to meet initial operating expenses and pay for kickoff and other activities to attract new members, demonstrate value, and foster growth.

The Chapter is grateful for the contributions, and to show appreciation offers the profiles of Rose International and Skyler-Marks.

ROSE INTERNATIONAL

Rose International is based in St. Louis and has an office in Jefferson City. The company provides full software and systems lifecycle consulting services to government and commercial clients. It also provides project teams and specific consulting services, and is committed to becoming a world class IT provider. Among its clients are Anheuser-Busch, Southwestern Bell, PacBell, Ameritech, Maritz, and Chevron. Rose is a leader in providing innovative end-to-end technology, e-commerce, and Web solutions. It has expertise in client/server and Web development, database administration and warehousing, legacy system support, network security, management and integration, business re-engineering, software process improvement, quality assurance, help desk, system administration, and enterprise resource planning.

SKYLER-MARKS

Skyler-Marks Corporation is an Information Technology consulting company specializing in the

areas of project management, custom software development, and support services such as database administration. The company also specializes in Oracle products and tools as well as Computer Associates' extensive COOL product line of development tools.

The company philosophy is oriented toward quality and customer service both to its clients as well as within the company. Its practice is to provide the best possible services within the constraints of quality, cost, and time. Locally in Jefferson City, Skyler-Marks consultants are teamed with Tier Technologies on the Transportation Management Systems project for the Missouri Department of Transportation. ❖

Volunteer Opportunities

The Chapter seeks to meet multiple requirements and gain expertise in several areas to support its goals and objectives. Interested persons should contact the appropriate Board member (listed on page 3, below) for more information about any of the following:

Administration and Communications

Best practice database management; obtaining guest speaker gifts; handling door prize management; management help / volunteer coordination; election / balloting support; conference support; marketing plan creation; member recognition; newsletter contributions; PR plan development and implementation; "About Us" presentation; PAQ panel discussion; white paper planning; Special Interest Group (SIG) formation and coordination.

Membership

Membership recruiting drive; membership retention; recruiting material development; contact management.

Finance

Chapter Meeting registration desk help; financial reporting assistance; other finance support.

Programs and Professional Development

Creative ideas; program committee formation; vendor relations; ice cream social planning; exhibit coordination; topical symposium planning; presenters and speakers; venue setup.

“PM FOR SUCCESS” SEMINAR

Project Management Leadership Group, a charter member of PMI, at www.pmlg.com, is holding a three-day PM training seminar in St. Louis, October 23 –25. The focus of the seminar will be on leadership and team building skills, facilitation of planning workshops, development of communication skills, creation of project charters, and other areas essential to project management. For more information, point your web browser to PMLG's address above or call (770) 753-6363. ❖

CHAPTER EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 28 CHAPTER MEETING

RAMADA INN, JEFFERSON CITY

5 TO 7:30 P.M.

TOPIC: REMOTE PROJECT MANAGEMENT FROM
A VIRTUAL OFFICE, BY LINDA K.
BLANTON OF LUCENT TECHNOLOGIES

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NOVEMBER 30 CHAPTER MEETING

RAMADA INN, JEFFERSON CITY

5 TO 8:30 P.M.

Dinner Meeting

JANUARY 2001 CHAPTER MEETING

RAMADA INN, JEFFERSON CITY

DATE TO BE DETERMINED, 5 TO 7:30 P.M.

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MARCH 2001 CHAPTER MEETING

RAMADA INN, JEFFERSON CITY

DATE TO BE DETERMINED, 5 TO 7:30 P.M.

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Educational Foundation Funding Sought

James R. Snyder, President of the PMI Educational Foundation, recently shared exciting news about scholarships, awards, and grants.

The major intent of the Foundation is “Empowering the future of project management for the benefit of the world” – a very lofty but achievable goal. While seeking financial support from PMI members and sponsoring organizations worldwide, the Foundation has several key, long-term objectives:

- Have \$5 million in revenue for projects to be identified and funded by the Foundation.
- Advance project management awareness and skills among secondary school students and educators.
- Establish a program to advance project management in economically disadvantaged areas.

To learn more about the Foundation, or to initiate a donation drive, contact a Chapter Board member or email the Foundation at pmief@pmi.org. ❖

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Interesting Insights

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- ✓ Prospective members may join PMI online via www.pmi.org. Or, contact the Membership Services manager at membershipmgr@pmi.org.
- ✓ Effective August 1, any employer submitting a job posting for the PMI Web page will be eligible for multiple posting discounted rates. For more information, contact careerhq@pmi.org.
- ✓ Prudential Insurance Company is among the newest participants in the PMI Corporate Council. Participants are at www.pmi.org/corporatecouncil. For more information, send an email message to corporatecouncil@pmi.org.
- ✓ The call for nominations for the 2001 PMI Educational Foundation International Student Paper Award will appear in the October 2000 issue of *PM Network* magazine and December 2000 issue of *Project Management Journal*. The call will be posted to PMI’s Web at www.pmi.org/awards, and the PMI Educational Foundation Web site, www.pmi.org/pmief. ❖

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