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Nominations are Open for 2006 Officers

Nominations are now open for 2006 officers for the PMI Montgomery Chapter. The Chapter VP, Allyson Pitman, will advance to President for 2006. There are eight other officers who will be elected. To serve as an officer you must be a member of the PMI Montgomery Chapter, be willing to attend the monthly board meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month, attend monthly chapter meetings on the second Thursday, and perform the duties of the office. A PMP is preferred for the position of VP Professional Development.

You are encouraged to nominate yourself or someone else for an office. If you are a PMP, you receive 10 PDUs for serving as a chapter officer for a year. Other benefits include getting to know your fellow chapter members and developing your leadership and project management skills. If you don't have time to be an officer but are willing to serve on a committee, you receive 5 PDUs for a year's service.

To nominate yourself or someone else for an office, or to volunteer to be a committee member, send an email to pastpresident@pmimontgomery.org. Include the name and contact information for the person being nominated and office for which you or they are interested. If you have questions about the requirements of a position, you can contact Rod Heath at 334-416-6026 or Betty Corbin at 334-244-3057.

The timetable for elections is as follows:

Individual nominates self, or is nominated by August 15.

Nomination/Election committee verifies that nominee meets the minimum criteria established by the Chapter Nomination Process and in accordance with the Chapter by-laws (target date of August 25).

Elections open (via the www.pmimontgomery.org website or via email) on September 8. Nominees are presented at the September 8 chapter meeting.

Results are announced at the October PMI Montgomery Dinner meeting on October 13.

Newly elected officers will attend the Board of Directors meeting for the remainder of 2005 to ensure a smooth transition.

Each officer will select the members and chair a committee to assist in their functions. Also, each officer will provide budget and financial information to the VP Finance. A summary of other duties for each officer is listed on page 3.

COMING SOON!

Rapidly Implementing
a Culture of Project and
Portfolio Discipline

At the AUM TechnaCenter
October 19th - 1 PM—5 PM
\$69 Members—\$79 Non-Members

By: Bill Stewart
PMLG

(See Pg 4)

CONGRATULATIONS !! To Our Newest PMPs

Jason Hall	Tonya Saxer
Kenneth Hicks	Mark Wentling

From The President ...

This month I'll discuss several important events that have occurred in the PMI Montgomery Chapter over the last couple of months—the Neal Whitten seminar, the opening of the chapter library, and the participation of several officers in the Region 14 Leadership Meeting.

The Neal Whitten seminar in June was a significant event for us. Neal is a nationally known project management consultant and trainer and the author of several books. On the afternoon of June 9 he presented his seminar, Neal Whitten's No-Nonsense Advice for Successful Projects. That evening he spoke to the chapter's monthly dinner meeting on Behaviors to Master When Dealing with Your Leaders. Both sessions were well-attended, and the Board received excellent feedback on the quality of the sessions.



Compliments from Neal. At the June dinner meeting I was sitting at the table with Neal Whitten and his wife Barbara and several local PMI members. Neal speaks at many

PMI chapters, and he commented that some chapters just rock along and don't do much. In contrast, he said that he could see that our chapter gets things done. He commented that we seem to have many volunteers involved in the chapter. He complimented Bruce Paterson, VP Professional Development, for the professional way that he handled the seminar arrangements. He was impressed that we had television and radio interviews promoting the seminar. These were set up by Charlie Hardy, our VP Public Relations. He also mentioned that some chapters don't even keep their websites up-to-date. Ours is current, thanks to our prompt VP eBusiness, Mark Wentling.

Chapter Library. At our June 9 meeting we also announced that our chapter library is open. Log onto www.pmimontgomery.org and choose the Chapter Library page. There you'll find a listing of books available and a form to submit to request a book. Usually the books will be brought to you at a monthly chapter meeting and will be returned at the next meeting. This is an opportunity for you to get additional resources for preparing for your PMP or to improve your project management knowledge. Remember, PMPs can get PDUs for self-study. Jason Hall of Rheem keeps the books at his location and brings them to the meetings when requested. Thanks to Jason for performing the library functions. If members use the library, we will purchase additional books, including some PMP study materials for the revised version of the exam that will go into effect on September 30.

Leadership Meeting. Over the weekend of June 25-26 myself, Allyson Pitman, Jim Pritts, and Mark Wentling attended the Region 14 Leadership Meeting in Atlanta. There we met and shared ideas with other chapter officers from the south-east. On the recommendation of the president of the Charleston, SC Chapter, we have scheduled a seminar on October 19 with Bill Stewart, CEO of Project Management Leadership, Inc. in Atlanta. See page 1 and 4 in this newsletter for more details. Also, Linn Wheeling of PMI headquarters provided updates on PMI activities and direction and gave us training on how to better run our chapters.



Montgomery Chapter of PMI was represented well by four Chapter officers in Atlanta at the PMI Region 14 Leadership Conference. Allyson Pitman, Chapter VP, Mark Wentling, VP eBusiness, Betty Corbin, President, and not pictured Jim Pritts, VP Membership.

Although the Board of Directors is pleased with our progress here in Montgomery, there is still much to be done to provide more and better benefits to our members. As always, contact me or any board member to share your ideas.

Betty Corbin, President

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Summary of officer duties

To get a more detailed listing of the duties for each officer, send an email to president@pmmontgomery.org.

The **Chapter Vice President** shall assist the President as required and prepare for the succession to the office of President, establish and maintain close liaison with all active committees and report committee activities to the President. This officer shall also Chair and, with approval of BoD, select members of the Strategic Planning Committee.

The **Vice-President Financial Affairs** shall oversee the management of funds for duly authorized purposes of the PMI-Montgomery Chapter. This officer shall also prepare financial status reports and annual financial reports as required to forward to the institute for Internal Revenue Service programs.

The **Vice-President of Communications** shall keep the records of all business meetings of the PMI-Montgomery Chapter and meetings of the Board, prepare and disseminate monthly newsletters and other general correspondence in order to maintain the business of the Chapter.

The **Vice-President of Membership** shall plan, develop, and implement a membership recruiting program. This officer is also responsible for management of membership rosters/databases, developing a "new member resource packet" and establishing processes for volunteer recruitment and assignment.

The **Vice-President of Programs** shall plan, schedule, and implement each Chapter meeting/program event, including the scheduling of speakers and involvement of vendors. This officer shall keep a file on speakers and presentations presented at Chapter programs/meetings, recommend an annual calendar of events to the BoD for approval.

The **Vice-President of Public Relations** shall be responsible for all publicity matters as they relate to promotional activities of the Chapter, direct and promote the Corporate Sponsorship Program, act as liaison between the Chapter, education providers, and other professional associations.

The **Vice-President of Professional Development** shall propose, develop, coordinate and manage all activities relating to educational seminars and workshops. This officer shall also direct all matters dealing with PMP certification, Re-certification and PDU allocation and records.

The **Vice-President of e-Business** (Webmaster) shall manage all Chapter web related activities and issues to maintain business and administration excellence, including the use of Web-related communication.

Welcome — New Members June - August, 2005

Rita Allen
Sandra Dennis
Hector Donastorg
Gary Elder
Ralph Hughes
Joseph Klimonek
Jay Littleton
Paul Smith

Carl McGowen
James Richardson
Mark Spain
Norma Stephens
Gary Weatherly
Deborah Wilson
Linda Grah
Ronald Lewis



PMI Chapter Leadership...

What does it take to be a leader in our PMI Chapter? Here are some of the characteristics needed to serve the Chapter:

- A *passion for* project management, a *belief* in the value of the discipline.
- A desire to *share* your knowledge and enthusiasm with others.
- *Support* of the goals and of objectives of the Project Management Institute.
- *Willingness* to work with others in the same field.
- *Time* to devote to the meetings and performing your duties.

As President Elect for 2006, I hope you will consider either running for office or serving as a volunteer. Either way, you get to work with great people and give back to the profession and the work community. If you are interested, contact any Board member.

Allyson Pitman, PMP
President Elect, 2006

WHO SAID IT?

See if you can match these quotes with the right person.

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| 1. Always do right. This will gratify some people and astonish the rest. | A. Golda Meir |
| 2. Courage is very important. Like a muscle, it's strengthened by use. | B. Muhammad Ali |
| 3. The man who has no imagination has no wings. | C. Norman Vincent Peale |
| 4. Getting people to like you is simply the other side of liking other people. | D. Mark Twain |
| 5. You can't shake hands with a clenched fist. | E. Ruth Gordon |

Bill Stewart Seminar Oct. 19, 2005

Question: Why do business executives fail?

Answer: They fail to deliver on their commitments! The projects and programs that you are responsible for are pivotal and mission critical to the strategic success of your corporation. The desire to have a strong, mature project management infrastructure that ensures success is not enough. Recognizing that implementing PM requires a huge cultural change is the first step. The second step is to listen to the experience and advice of Bill Stewart, CEO of Project Management Leadership, Inc., as he provides tips and techniques for rapidly changing the organizational culture so it will accept PM as a core business discipline. This presentation will also cover (1) ten tips on how to implement program offices and how to measure their maturity, (2) how to develop effective PM governance and portfolio management, (3) how to recruit, develop and train a set of disciplined PM's (4) and the future of the Program Management Office.

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PMI MONTGOMERY CHAPTER MONTHLY DINNER MEETING

We hold a dinner meeting on the second Thursday of each month from 5:30pm to 8:00pm at the Capital City Club, in the RSA Tower, 201 Monroe Street. Visit the Events page of www.pmimontgomery.org. Cost is \$20 (\$18 for students) payable via credit card or check on-line.

Our Chapter is responsible for payment for the committed number of meals that are reserved. Therefore, if you make a reservation but are unable to attend, *you will be responsible for the cost of your meal unless you cancel by noon on the day of the meeting.*

August 11, 2005 - Speaker: Jim Anderson, PMP, Senior Technical Business Analyst with IT Systems and Operations at Colonial Bank. Presentation topic: It's a Risky Business.

September 8, 2005 - Speaker: John Rahiya, PMP, of SVP Novations Project Management. Presentation topic: Just Enough Project Management

October 13, 2005 - Speaker: Richard Grimes of Outsource Training.biz, LLC. Presentation topic: Project Manager Negotiations

November 10, 2005 - Speaker: John Jung, of ALFA Insurance. Presentation topic: TBD

A noted speaker and author, Bill has over 30 years of successful project management and leadership experience across a wide range of projects and programs. A former Army Ranger, he developed Infantry leadership training programs that are still in use today. He was a program manager for President Reagan on the Grace Commission and has been a management consultant for Phillips Petroleum Company and Arthur Young.

Bill is a pioneer of the Program Office concept and a Portfolio Management thought leader. He has led successful implementations of Program Offices and Portfolio Management for Fortune 100 corporations internationally. Bill created the Enterprise Project Management Maturity Assessment (EPMMA) and the Certified Project Manager (CPM) and Program Management Mastery (PMM) certification programs. He founded the International Portfolio Office Summit, a thought workshop and networking forum for portfolio and PMO professionals. He also served on the Board of Directors of PMI's Information Systems Specific Interest Group for 7 years.



Bill regularly coaches executives in the achievement of strategic vision through the implementation of project and portfolio management as a business discipline. He has appeared as a project management and leadership expert on CNBC's The Next Wave with Leonard Nimoy. Bill is working on his book **"8 Weeks to Strategic Success - A Guide to Rapidly Implementing a Culture of Project and Portfolio Discipline"** which will be completed soon.

Bill Stewart

President & CEO, Project Management Leadership Group

Other Upcoming Training Events

Visit <http://www.aum.edu/coned> for more information

Successful Project Management

Introductory Level, August 22-24, 2005
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Auburn University Montgomery Library Tower, South Room

This three-day seminar provides an overview of project management concepts and principles using lecture, small group case studies and discussion. It is compliant with PMI's® Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK®). This course provides 21 contact hours of training that apply toward the 35 hours required to take the PMP Exam. For information call 334-244-3057. To register call 334-244-3804

PMP Exam Preparation Review Course

October 24-27, 2005
1:00 pm-6:00 pm,
Auburn University Montgomery Library Tower

This course is designed to equip students to pass PMI's Project Management Professional (PMP) certification exam. Students should bring a copy of the *PMBOK Guide Third Edition* to the course. The course provides 20 contact hours of training that apply toward the 35 hours required to take the PMP Exam. For information call 334-244-3057. To register call 334-244-3804.

In the News ...

PMI Global Congress North America 2005

is scheduled for Toronto, Canada September 10–13. Early registration discounts are available through August 18th. Check out the "Video Invitation" at <http://congresses.pmi.org/NorthAmerica2005>.



PMI Montgomery recently joined the **Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce.**



Polo Shirts Available

PMI Montgomery polo shirts remain on sale. The shirts are white with a blue PMI Montgomery logo on the chest and sleeve. They are available in men's and women's sizes for \$17.75 each. Please get your information in to Brad McCann as soon as possible if you are interested.



RiskSIG Webinar Series

Risk Management SIG announces the first of its webinar series. The one hour webinar can be viewed "on demand". The webinar became available July 28th and cost \$20. The webinar is on "Project Risk Management Best Practice and Future Developments" by Dr. David Hillson, PMP FAPM FIRM MCMI



PROJECT MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE (PMI) MONTGOMERY CHAPTER ANNOUNCES

"SUMMER '05 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE" 1 JUNE – 11 AUGUST 2005

There's been no better time to become a member of the Project Management Institute (PMI) and your local PMI Montgomery Chapter. Just look at a few of the benefits you'll enjoy:

- Professional standards
- Project Management Certification
- Discount rates on PMI products/services
- Education and Training
- Development seminars
- Research and Reference Materials
- Bi-monthly Chapter Newsletter
- Access to local PM job postings
- Opportunity to network with other PM professionals in the Montgomery area

If you're interested in joining the world's largest professional association dedicated to advancing the profession of project management, or if you would like to learn more about PMI and Chapter membership, please visit our website at www.pmimontgomery.org or contact one of the following:

Ms. Betty Corbin, 334-244-3057
Email: president@pmimontgomery.org

Mr. Jim Pritts, 334-279-0191
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Join and Win!

All new PMI members that join our Chapter during this drive will be entered into a drawing for a Toshiba Portable DVD Player!

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Has your email address changed?

If you are a PMI member, please update your contact information by logging onto www.pmi.org/members. This is our source for all member email addresses. For non-members, send your updated information to Jim Pritts at vpmembership@pmimontgomery.org.

Who Said It? Answers: 1. d, Mark Twain, 2. e, Ruth Gordon, 3. b, Muhammad Ali, 4. c, Norman Vincent Peale, 5. a, Golda Meir



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