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PMI Houston Conference & Expo June 6-8, 2016 at NRG Park



2016 PMI Houston Conference & Expo - The Power of You

June 6-8, 2016

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Invest in your most important project - YOU!

It may only be March, but for the PMI Houston conference organizing team, June is just around the corner. We have been planning the 2016 Conference & Expo for several months and have a great event in the works.

- Create a personal brand
- Learn new skills and sharpen existing skills at Sessions, Master Classes and Workshops with speakers and thought leaders
- Build your network and learn from others in our project management community
- Learn about working more effectively with the products, tools and services that Expo Sponsors and Vendors have to offer
- Connect with your next great opportunity at the Annual Job Fair
- Be inspired!



The PMI Houston Conference & Expo features Breakout Sessions, half-day Master Classes and full-day Workshops that align with the new PMI Talent Triangle.

- Agile / Six Sigma Project Management
- Professional Development
- Program Management / PMO
- Project Management
- Team Building / Virtual Teams / Communication



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Insights into the profession of Project Management

To measure the value orientation in Project Management "9 Levels of Value Systems" we ask for your knowledge. The study assesses your profile and compares it to different values that drive our professional life. As a result, we will provide you with the overall results. Help us providing insides into Project Management values of today.

Your opinion is valuable! Take the 10-minutes survey under: <http://www.potenzialgestalter.de/portfolio/study-value-orientation-in-project-management-in-north-america.html>

PMI Houston Gets a Brand Refresh and Builds Online Presence



PMI Houston members have been seeing the bright and inviting branding for this year's annual Conference & Expo with the "Power of You" theme. Printed collateral and online images feature photos of some of the members and volunteers who make up the PMI Houston community.

In the coming months, we will also be rolling out a new logo and clean look on our website and in all communications.

Why the new look? PMIH is proud of its hometown and wanted a logo that reflected the skyline and green spaces that are uniquely Houston. We would like to thank local designer Caroline Garry for creating images that communicate the energy and spirit of this organization.

Social Media

The Houston Chapter's PR Director Lamarr Ferguson and VP Marketing Kim Montes have also been working with volunteers Nooshin Yazhari and Sherry Lozier to create a Social Media Roadmap and increase our online presence. "We want to start a conversation with our members and let them know about all of the programs, professional development opportunities and events the Chapter has to offer," explained Montes.

Do you want to find the latest news and events from PMI Houston? You can follow posts on our [LinkedIn Group](#) and [Facebook Page](#), and find inspiration from the #MondayMotivation inspirational quotes on [Twitter](#).

Follow PMI Houston!



The Woodlands PMI Venue:

A convenient, Collegial Campus Location for PDUs and Hot Topics

By Janis Warner and Gary Deck, Woodlands Venue

At the Sam Houston State University Woodlands Center, PMI members and guests who work or live in the north are able to enjoy a convenient location with easy access off of I-45 while hearing about great topics at 3380 College Park Drive, 4th Floor, The Woodlands, TX 77384.

At the Feb 16th meeting, the guest speaker was Fabrice Bouchereau who presented “Kaizen Kanban” which literally means “change”, “good”, and “billboard”. “Kaizen Kanban” is a “visual facilitation approach to create prioritized project pipelines”. As a licensed industrial engineer with global experience and founder of ProcessZen Consulting his presentation covered specific procedures and provided proprietary tools of their process analysis methodology. Their methodology is used to:

- involve all organizational stakeholders in an organization,
- identify strategic and tactical opportunities for improvement throughout an organization, and
- convert the identified opportunities into a prioritized project pipeline.

The attendees particularly liked Fabrice’s stories of experiences in his native country Haiti which influenced the development of his process approach with a goal of positively affecting the whole organization. He also shared his global experiences collaborating with companies such as GE Healthcare, GE Transportation Systems, Baxter Bioscience, IGLOO, FMC Technologies, Halliburton and Trelleborg Offshore Construction.

Our upcoming March 15th meeting will be about “The Art, Science and Process of Innovation” with Charles Squire, CVS, a managing partner of NWIS.net. His presentation will discuss a goal we all aim for – successful project outcomes. His approach deals with the complexities of planning and managing innovation efforts as they relate to project management with the objective of increasing the likelihood of successful outcomes.

To register for our meetings please go to: <http://pmihouston.org/meetinginfo.php> and scroll to the Woodlands Venue section. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer at The Woodlands Venue feel free to contact Janis A. Warner, Ph.D., PMP, The Woodlands Venue Director, at jwarner@shsu.edu. Meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month from 6:00 to 7:00 PM.

PMI Houston Southwest Venue February Meeting

By Petar Vlastic, Southwest Venue Ambassador and PMI Houston Volunteer

Another month has gone by and the Southwest Venue had yet another great meeting Wednesday night at the Schlumberger's campus in Sugarland. Forty-five of us, from PMPs to PMP hopefuls to those just exploring options, had an opportunity to catch up, exchange cards, enjoy some refreshments, and hear Latoshia Norwood share with us valuable lessons of knowing and fulfilling our roles as PMs so we can make sure we consistently lead our teams to success.

Inspired by Bill Belichick's motto: "Know your role, do your job", seven roles of Project Manager were discussed in this interactive session:

1. **The Coach** – We have the responsibility to steer the team to a win regardless of the situation. We accomplish this by motivating our team through employing strategy and knowledge we possess.
2. **Superstar** – We are often the person in the limelight; when the project is moving along, we get the praise, but when things start going awry, we are the ones to get the criticism. We need to respond appropriately and get the project back on track.
3. **Veteran** – Although we are not always subject matter experts in the industry, we bring experience to the team.
4. **The 6th Man/Woman** – At times throughout a project, someone on our team might get the shine, but we still bring value to the team. We are often the glue that keeps the team together.
5. **Cheerleader** – We rally our team, no matter the score. We must stay positive and keep encouraging and motivating our team to success.
6. **Trainer** – We are to be aware of each team member's strengths and push them to take those strengths to a higher level, but we also identify weaknesses and help our team overcome.
7. **Waterboy/Girl** – We provide the nourishment to individuals on the team, by giving them attention they need so they stay energized.



In conclusion, if we want to lead our team to success, we need to know our role and do the best we can to fulfill that role. But we also need to know the role - incidentally one of the seven above - each of our team members and help them fulfill their role.

We look forward to more great speakers, networking opportunities, and great times together this year so come and join us third Wednesday of each month at the Forum on Schlumberger's campus in Sugarland on US Route 90, just west of the US 90 and Highway 59 crossing.



Oil Refining – Finishing Nature’s Job and Meeting Product Specifications

After a short introduction of paramount safety in refineries and energy consumption pattern in the world, origin of Crude Oil, production and production site cleaning of crude oil to meet universal pipeline specifications will be described. Crude oil classification, refining concept and overall scheme of oil refining processes will be discussed. Main refining processes, Distillation Hydrotreating, Hydrocracking, Catalytic Cracking, Coking and Reforming will be discussed to meet specifications of Gasoline, Diesel and Jet fuel. A virtual tour of a refinery will be provided with photographs. Basic information on refinery organization and rule of thumb about refinery economics will be presented.

Dr. Shri K. Goyal

Dr. Shri Goyal has 38 years of refining experience along with refining of oils from Shale, Tar Sand and Coal. He worked with Amoco (now BP) for 20 years in developing technologies to improve operability and profitability of refineries. He worked for Shell Oil as a heavy oil processing advisor for 10 years on improving safety, reliability and operation of delayed cokers. He has visited and provided technical service to more than 50 cokers in 15 different countries. In 2010, he started Coking Solutions Inc. in Houston. His areas of expertise are safety, trouble shooting, process improvement, benchmarking, performance analysis, training, economic evaluation of heavy oil processing. His website is www.cokingsolutions.com and his phone number is 281-496-9555



Dr. Goyal received BS in Chemical Engineering from IIT New Delhi, MS from IIT Mumbai and Ph.D. from University of Utah. He taught several courses at Utah and at Hill Air Force Base. He was adjunct professor at University of Illinois, Chicago. He is author of four training manuals, 1. Fundamentals of Refining, 2. Fundamentals of Coking, 3. Coker Operator’s Training and 4. Shale oil Impact on Refineries. He has eleven US patents.

Register Here: <http://pmihouston.org/meetinginfo.php?id=713&ts=1457001151>

Useful Information:

Date: April 06, 2016

5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Location: LISEGA INC - Oil & Gas Division

13310 Pike Rd

Stafford, TX 77477

Cost: This is a free event

Schedule:

5:30 to 6:00 - Dinner

6:00 to 7:00pm - Presentation by Dr. Goyal



Visit [PMI Houston Meetings](#) for the 'latest' meeting details

Venue	Time	Description
NEW LOCATION!! North Peli Peli 110 Vintage Park Blvd (back of Vintage complex) Houston, Texas 77070 http://www.pelipeli.com/	Monthly on second Tuesday Pre-dinner meeting 5:30 to 6:30 PM	Presentation with guest speaker Pre-dinner meeting is free to attend. Please register online.
	Monthly on second Tuesday Dinner meeting 6:30 to 8:00 PM	Dinner Meeting with guest speaker Cost: \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Walk-ins are an additional \$10. Registration closes at 12:00PM the day of the event date.
Galleria Area HESS Club 5430 Westheimer Road Houston, TX 77056 (877) 661-4377 (713) 627-2283 http://www.hessclub.com	Monthly on second Wednesday Pre-dinner meeting 5:30 to 6:30 PM	Presentation with guest speaker Pre-dinner meeting is free to attend. Please register online.
	Monthly on second Wednesday Dinner meeting 6:30 to 8:00 PM	Dinner Meeting with guest speaker Cost: \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Walk-ins are an additional \$10.
Southwest Schlumberger Schlumberger Sugar Land Campus 210 Schlumberger Drive 713-513-2457	Monthly on third Wednesday Time: 5:30 to 6:30 PM	Presentation with guest speaker This meeting is free to attend. Please register online.
The Woodlands Sam Houston State University Center 3380 College Park Drive, 4th Floor	Monthly on third Tuesday Time: 6:00 to 7:00 PM	Presentation with guest speaker This meeting is free to attend. Please register online.

The Woodlands, TX 77384		
Downtown CenterPoint Energy Tower 1111 Louisiana Street 13th Floor - Room 1360/65 Houston, TX 77002	Monthly on last Thursday Time: 5:30 to 6:30 PM	Presentation with guest speaker This meeting is free to attend. Please register online.
West - Agile SYSCO 1390 Enclave Parkway Building 1390, Houston, TX 77077-20255	Quarterly on third Thursday Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM	Presentation with guest speaker Joint meeting with the Agile Leadership Network(ALN) Houston Chapter, formerly APLN. This meeting is free to attend. For latest schedule and registration please visit ALN Houston site at www.alnhouston.org ALN meets monthly. Meetings in March, June, September, and December are promoted jointly by PMI and ALN.
Brazos Valley College Station, TX Improving Enterprises 17000 Research Parkway #260 College Station, TX 77845	Monthly on second Monday. Time: 6:00 to 7:00 PM	Presentation with guest speaker This meeting is free to attend.

Claiming PDUs for PMI® Houston Monthly Meetings: There are no specific PDU codes for events that award up to 2 PDUs. Each PMI Houston meeting with a 1-hour presentation on a PM topic awards 1 PDU. This includes dinner meetings, pre-dinner meetings and meetings at any of PMI Houston's satellite venues. If attended both pre-dinner and dinner presentations, please submit 2 PDU claims following the process below for each presentation event. Procedure for getting PDU credit for PMI® Houston's meetings towards the recertification of your PMI credential (PMP, PgMP, etc.):

1. Go to www.pmi.org and log in using your pmi.org Username and Password.
2. Select myPMI and click on Report PDUs
3. Select PDU category "**CAT A: Registered Education Provider/PMI Component**"
4. For Activity Type select "Report a 1-2 PDU Event", click **Next**
5. Enter Component ID "**C012**" (C-zero-1-2), Click **Search**
6. Activity date completed - Enter the date of the meeting
7. Activity title - Enter the title of the presentation you attended
8. Activity meeting number - Enter number if needed, click **Next**
9. PDUs claimed - **Enter 1** (each 1 hr speaker presentation grants 1 PDU)
10. Review the data entered, if correct click the box indicating "I agree this claim is accurate"
11. Click **Submit**
12. Save a copy for your records

For additional details and registration information visit [PMI Houston Events](#)

Project Management Toastmasters Clubs - News and Tips

Houston Galleria PM Toastmasters: Club contest Feb 17th. International Speech Club Contest Winner is Tina Wang and Evaluation Contest Winner is Tim McDearmon. HGPMT 7th Anniversary meeting, March 2, with Pam McCown, DTM, PID speaking on “Agents of Change”

Southwest PM Toastmasters: Club contest held Feb 10th. International Speech Club Contest Winner is Alana M. Hill and Evaluation Contest Winner is Anthony Ally.

North Houston PM Toastmasters: 1st Quarter publication of the club newsletter was published in January 2016. It highlighted the club contest on Feb 2 and the upcoming district 56 calendar.

Quote: " It takes as much energy to wish as it does to plan" – Eleanor Roosevelt

Tip 4. Time yourself. Time your speech every time you rehearse it to ensure you don't go over the five- to seven-minute time limit. - Toastmaster International's "90 Tips From 90 Years"

Project Management Toastmasters clubs are open to all, and welcome people from all professions. Members are predominately professional project managers and the Houston Area Project Management Toastmasters Clubs are sponsored by PMI Houston and aligned with the goals of PMI International. Certified PMPs receive Professional Development Units (PDUs) for participation. As a member of a PM Toastmasters club, you can learn to:

- Excel at job interviews
- Give powerful business presentations
- Effectively teach classes or training sessions
- Lead successful meetings or seminars



Houston Galleria PM Toastmasters	North Houston PM Toastmasters	Southwest Houston PM Toastmasters	Woodlands PM Toastmasters
http://hgpm.org	http://1314186.toastmastersclubs.org	http://swpmt.org	http://4748183.toastmastersclubs.org
Houston Baptist University	Denny's Restaurant	Schlumberger Sugar Land Campus	Sam Houston State University
Atwood 2 Bldg, Rm 202 7502 Fondren Rd Houston, Tx 77074	12697 Gessner Rd Houston, Tx 77064 South of FM 1960 off FM249	The Forum 210 Schlumberger Dr Sugar Land, Tx 77478	3380 College Park Drive, 4th Floor The Woodlands, Tx 77384
1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays 6:15pm - Networking 6:45pm - Meeting Starts	1st, 3rd & 5th Tuesdays 6:00pm - Networking 6:30pm - Meeting Starts	2nd & 4th Wednesdays 6:15pm - Networking 6:30pm - Meeting Starts	2nd and 4th Tuesdays 6:15pm - 8:00pm

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities

Date	Class	Location	Cost	Register
<p>March 21, 2015 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM</p>	<p>PMP & CAPM Prep Course – March</p>	<p>Tri Tech Surveying Company 10401 Westoffice Drive Houston, TX 77042</p>	<p>Houston Chapter Member Earlybird: \$ 1400.00 (ends two weeks before the course) Regular: \$ 1500.00</p> <p>Non-Member Earlybird: \$ 1600.00 (ends two weeks before the course) Regular: \$ 1700.00</p> <p>Unemployed Member Pricing - \$750.00</p>	<p>Register</p>
<p>April 18, 2016 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM</p>	<p>PMP & CAPM Prep Course – April</p>	<p>Tri Tech Surveying Company 10401 Westoffice Drive Houston, TX 77042</p>	<p>Houston Chapter Member Earlybird: \$ 1400.00 (ends two weeks before the course) Regular: \$ 1500.00</p> <p>Non-Member Earlybird: \$ 1600.00 (ends two weeks before the course) Regular: \$ 1700.00</p> <p>Unemployed Member Pricing - \$750.00</p>	<p>Register</p>
<p>May 16, 2016 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM</p>	<p>PMP & CAPM Prep Course – May</p>	<p>Tri Tech Surveying Company 10401 Westoffice Drive Houston, TX 77042</p>	<p>Houston Chapter Member Earlybird: \$ 1400.00 (ends two weeks before the course) Regular: \$ 1500.00</p> <p>Non-Member Earlybird: \$ 1600.00 (ends two weeks before the course) Regular: \$ 1700.00</p> <p>Unemployed Member Pricing - \$750.00</p>	<p>Register</p>

To see the full list of course offerings please visit the Events tab - <http://www.pmihouston.org/meetinginfo.php>

Meeting/Event Information

North Meeting: The Business of Your Career



March 08, 2016

5:30 PM to 8:00 PM

[Add to Calendar](#)

Peli Peli

110 Vintage Park Blvd (back of Vintage complex) - Private Room

Houston, TX 77070

<http://www.pelipeli.com/>

[Directions](#)

Pre Meeting: Thriving When the Oil Market is Down

Anthony Ally

Anthony Ally develops new business models which maximize company growth while uncovering hidden assets. His clients normally have P&L budgets of 25 to 250 Million Dollars. He has coached, trained and served CEOs, Senior Executives, Managers, Strategy consultants and Technology specialists at companies such as Microsoft, IBM, Raymond James, Schlumberger, NORAD, Booz Allen & Hamilton, Accenture, KPMG, Cap Gemini, and Pricewaterhouse coopers.

Topic Description: This speech is focused on empowering those who want to thrive when markets are down. In this speech, real life stories and specific action items are shared, which individuals can use to thrive when the market is down. Some have used this to land jobs in other industries outside of the one they worked in their past jobs. Others use this model to dramatically grow their companies while competitors shut down.

[Senior Level Project Manager](#)

Our client is a large energy company with office locations in Houston, TX.

Job Posting

Mar. 2, 2016

[Project Manager – Software Engineer](#)

ViaSat, Inc.

Job Posting

Feb. 29, 2016

[IT Project Manager](#)

STPNOC

Job Posting

Feb. 23, 2016

[Project Manager](#)

PinnacleART

Job Posting

Dec. 14, 2015

Visit <http://www.pmihouston.org/classifieds.php> for all job listings. If you have a job opening that you would like to promote through the PMI Houston Chapter, please email the following information to director.comm@pmiouston.org.

- Title
- Company
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May 26–27 – (Houston (Bellaire), TX) – [Register](#)

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