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WELCOME 2013-2014 PMI HOUSTON BOARD MEMBERS

We have the official results of the 2012 PMI-H Board elections, and are very pleased to welcome the new board members for the period of 2013-2014. The elected candidates are :

- Lee Jones, Senior Vice President of Internal Operations (2013)
- Suresh Balivada, Vice President of Marketing (2013-2014)
- Ram Iyer, Vice President of Community Outreach (2013-2014)
- Tim McDearmon, Vice President of e-Business (2013-2014)

The orientation session for the incoming board members was facilitated by the 2012 PMI-H chapter president Andy Stuart on Saturday, October 6th. The current 2011-2012 board members will start transitioning duties to the incoming board members during October.



From left to right: Lee Jones, PMP, Suresh Balivada, PMP, Jorge Farfan, PMP, Interim VP of Communications, Ram Iyer, PMP, and Tim McDearmon, PMP.

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We were also delighted to have among the attendees our PMI Region 6 mentor, Walter Viali. As the Region 6 leader, Walter promotes best practices among chapters in the region. The structure of the orientation session for incoming board members launched this month by PMI Houston will be shared as a best practice to our peer chapters in the region.

The PMI Region 6 includes chapters in the states of Texas, Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Kansas.

Welcome aboard!



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Give Back To The Community! Earn PDUs! Network! Develop Your Leadership!

We are calling all PMI – Houston Chapter members and friends! We will be partnering with Rebuilding Together Houston this Fall to complete several home improvement projects on **October 20th** and **October 27th**.

Rebuilding Together Houston is seeking experienced Project Managers to lead work crews, as well as individuals to participate on work crews. You and your PM skills are needed!.

Motto: A safe and healthy home for every person

Mission Statement: Bringing volunteers and communities together to improve the homes and lives of low-income senior and disabled homeowners.



Work crews typically consist of 10 – 20 people, logistics, tools, expertise, human needs, safety review, motivation and training. All construction materials are provided for each project. No construction skills? No problem. There are opportunities for painting, landscaping and general clean-up work!



Expectations are a commitment to complete the assigned work, focus on safety of all involved, make the work fun by measured challenges, engage the homeowner, relish in the successes, and have pride in the results!

Send an email to vpmarketing@pmihouston.org to express your interest in either leading a crew or participating on a PMI – Houston Chapter work crew.



BRAZOS VALLEY MEETING:

Topic: Top 10 Success Factors for PMs

October 08, 2012 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Speaker: Don R. Hillman
750 Agronomy Road, Room 101A.
College Station, TX 77843
[Read More...](#)

NORTH DINNER MEETING:

Topic: Social Media for Project Managers

October 09, 2012 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Speaker: J. R. Atkins
Dinner Meeting: Strack Farms Restaurant
5707 Louetta. Spring, TX 77379
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GALLERIA HESS CLUB DINNER MEETING:

Topic: Social Media for Project Managers

October 10, 2012 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Speaker: J. R. Atkins
Dinner Meeting: HESS Club
5430 Westheimer Road. Houston, TX 77056
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SOUTHWEST MEETING:

Topic: TBA

October 17, 2012. 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Speaker: Kim Sawyer
Schlumberger – Sugar Land Campus
210 Schlumberger Drive. Sugarland, TX 77478
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DOWNTOWN MEETING:

Topic: Communicating Soft Skills in a Virtual Project Environment

October 25, 2012. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Speaker: Dennis Sherman
Main Houston public library branch – Concourse level room
500 McKinney Street. Houston, TX 77002
[Read More...](#)

MANAGING PROJECTS WITH MICROSOFT PROJECT 2010 - ESSENTIALS (14 PDUs)

October 08 - 09, 2012 8:00am to 5:00pm

EPM Architects Training and Solution Center
6300 West Loop South, Suite 570. Bellaire, TX 77401
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6 SATURDAY PMP & CAPM PREP COURSE

October 13 – November 17, 2012 9:00am to 5:00pm

MicroTek/Texas Training
11200 Richmond Ave, Suite 100. Houston, TX 77042
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RISK MANAGEMENT FOR PROJECT MANAGERS - ESSENTIALS (8 PDUs)

October 26, 2012 8:00am to 5:00pm

Tri Tech Surveying Company
10401 Westoffice Drive. Houston, TX 77042
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PMP® & CAPM® PREP – 4 day (Up to 35 PDUs)

October 29 – November 1, 2012 8:30am to 4:30pm

Tri Tech Surveying Company
10401 Westoffice Drive. Houston, TX 77042
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PROJECT LEADERSHIP TACTICS (7 PDUs)

November 16, 2012 7:30am to 4:30pm

Tri Tech Surveying Company
10401 Westoffice Drive. Houston, TX 77042
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For events and training programs please register online. Additional information about coming events and training is available at <http://www.pmi-houston.org/meetinginfo.php>

Dinner Chapter Events

Speaker:

J.R. Atkins has been working with individuals, executives and small businesses since 1993 on Social Media since 2008. He has a BA from Texas A&M University and an MBA from The University of Phoenix, Dallas Campus. He recently published a book with Steven Covey called Success Simplified with J.R. Atkins.



Topic: Social Media for Project Managers

Social Media is becoming an acceptable method of businesses to communicate within the organization as well as externally with customers. Yet, there is also much confusion about how to make the most of Social Media tools.

This program explores “The Big 5 of Social Media” which are LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, Blogging, and Video and how they affect the role of the project manager and their communication. It will also look at Social Media and its impact in the project management function. Finally, you will see how social media, as a communication tool, impacts the strategic plans and objectives of the organization in relation to the project manager.

Additional information about Chapter events is available at
<http://www.pmihouston.org/meetinginfo.php>



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Are you aware that PMBOK V5 is coming out in January 2013 and the PMP exam will be changing? There is still time to take the exam under PMBOK V4. PMI - Houston offers several exam prep opportunities through the remainder of 2012.

The popular 6-Saturday class is October 13 - November 17. Traditional classes are September 24 - 27, October 29 - November 1, November 13 - 15 and December 10 - 13.

Learn more or join us at www.pmi-houston.org.

Good things happen when you get involved with PMI

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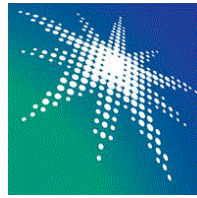
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