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Welcome to September! Autumn is on the way, but things are still hot at PMI-NNV!

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Monthly September Mixer at Wild River Grille



How to Build a Job Search Network

By Carla Fair-Wright

According to Lou Adler, CEO and founder of the The Adler Group, “Networking is how you turn 4-5 great contacts into 50-60 connections in 2-3 weeks.” In a [LinkedIn article](#), he says networking should be 60% of your job-hunting efforts – about 20-30 hours per week. Adler says you should spend the rest of your time on LinkedIn researching

connections and job openings in their companies. To get more tips from Lou Adler checkout [Networking Rules for Job-seekers: the Good, the Bad and the Almost Perfect](#) LINK: <http://bit.ly/2MT1NrV>

Put your networking skills in action at PMI Northern Nevada's September Networking Event. Come and mingle and network with other project, program and portfolio managers from Northern Nevada.

Thursday, September 20th from 5:30 - 7PM

Location: Wild River Grille 17 S Virginia St, Reno, NV 89501.

Register online <https://pmi-nnv.org>

New Poll Posted

In our continuing effort to stay in touch with the membership, we post a monthly poll on the website. Have a look [here](#). This month, we are looking for your input on the why you joined PMI-NNV.

Be a Volunteer!

Volunteer for PMI NNV!

We are always looking for volunteers. All chapter volunteer openings can be found on the website at: <https://pmi-nnv.org/get-involved/volunteeropportunities/66-general/newsletter/495-volopeningsnewsletter-2>

This month we are highlighting the **Volunteer Director** position. This rewarding position will be responsible for addressing the needs of the volunteers, including recruitment, retention and recognition. Some duties include:

- Responsible for volunteer recruitment and retention
- Conduct general volunteer orientation for all new volunteers
- Provide development to volunteers to serve in their volunteer roles.

The time commitment for this position would be approximately 2-4 hrs/month. If you are interested in this position, please email vp-members@pmi-nnv.org.

Welcome to our new Community Outreach Director - Katherine VanLent, PMP



I am pleased to announce the appointment of Katherine VanLent as our PMI Northern Nevada Chapter's Community Outreach Director. The Community Outreach Director will focus on building and managing community relationships through sponsorship and volunteerism. In regards to incoming outreach, this role will identify and recruit sponsors for Chapter meetings and other events, helping to generate income for the chapter. With outgoing outreach, this role will identify non-profit partnerships in which our Chapter can volunteer and give back to our communities. The role will ensure participation is organized, marketed, and managed.

About Katherine VanLent

A Maryland girl turned west coast transplant, Katherine has called Reno home for the last 5 years. She is all about saying yes to new adventures - whether it's taking on a new opportunity or traveling to a new place. Katherine works at Custom Ink, the leading company in custom apparel for groups and communities. She is an Associate Manager within the Art & Design team and became PMP certified in December 2017. She is an experienced leader and artist skilled in project and people management, all forms of communication, and graphic design. When she's not on the job, you can find her exploring new cities and National Parks, reading the latest new book, or playing volleyball.

Carla Fair-Wright, PMP

VP Marketing

PMI Northern Nevada Chapter

September Dinner Meeting

September 24, 2018 at the Twisted Fork- David Fein to Speak on The Cellular Network, Net Neutrality, and FirstNet.



Nancy Thompson led an engaging and highly interactive discussion on Cyber Security for the Home Office. The discussion included background on Cyber Security and why it's so important to keep up with updates and passwords. "Ransomware" anyone??

September 25, 2018 Dinner Meeting



David Fein is the guest speaker for the September NNV-PMI Dinner meeting, the topic is Cellular Networks, Net Neutrality, and FirstNet. Anyone who uses a cellular device for business or pleasure should attend to get some insight on how all this pulls together.

Location: Twisted Fork - 1191 Steamboat Pkwy Reno NV, 89521

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[About David Fein](#)

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Message from our President-

September 2018

This month there are three chapter events planned: a lunch meeting at Napa-Sonoma South on September 18, a late afternoon mixer at Wild River Grill on September 20, and a dinner meeting at Twisted Fork on September 25, at which my friend and fellow amateur radio operator David Fein (also the editor of this newsletter) will talk about "Cellular Networks, Net Neutrality, and FirstNet." I've heard Dave talk about FirstNet before, and I'm sure you will learn a lot, both about solving a critical and challenging first responder intercommunication problem, and about managing a project in a highly politicized environment. Sign up for these on our website. Signing up early helps with the catering arrangements and earns you a discount for the dinner meeting.

Where did the summer go? To me, and lots of people I've talked with, it seemed shorter than usual this year. I've been close to academia for most of my life, and a bit of nip in the morning air makes me automatically start to think about learning something new. This might be a good time to look at all the course content on ProjectManagement.com; it is available free to PMI members. There must be something there that would help you to better manage your current and future projects, and earn PDUs as well.

The Chapter is also considering sponsoring a PMP prep class this year. This is a very effective way to prepare for the exam. If you are contemplating a PMP certification and would be interested in a class, let me or one of my fellow officers know. If you know anyone else who is not (yet) a Chapter member, let them know about this possibility and encourage him or her to contact one of us as well. We will strive to keep the cost as affordable as possible.

As always, there are openings for more Chapter volunteers; visit the **Get Involved/Volunteer Opportunities** tab on our website to learn more. If you have a PMP or other certification, this is a good way to earn PDUs while serving your fellow Chapter members.

I look forward to seeing you at one of our events in the near future.

David Richards, PMP, PMI-ACP

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Monthly Lunch Meetings- Napa Sonoma South

Join Us For Lunch!



Reno lunch meeting - 3rd Tuesday of the month 11:45am - 1pm at Napa Sonoma South - 7671 S Virginia St, Reno, NV 89511 [Napa Sonoma South Website](#)

The format is roundtable, relaxed with lots of discussion about real-life experiences in project management. The meeting is free, each attendee is responsible for their lunch order.

PDU's: Attendees will qualify for one (1) PDU. - Please register for restaurant planning purposes.

Registration: Meeting registrations are posted on the top right corner of this home page.

[Read more...](#)

Upcoming Webinars

September 11

[Agile for Data Science](#)

Sep 11, 2018 1:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

This webinar aims to help end users understand how data projects differ from other IT project. Identify common pitfalls and how agile practices and domain knowledge can help to drive and deliver data analytics projects successfully. Introduce industry standards and explain why we have to implement and use multiple technical and management frameworks and show the benefits of using them on a daily basis. Provide some useful insights that will make planning and estimation easier and deliver value to the business and the end user.

Tags:

Agile,
IT Project Management,
Technical,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-ACP

September 13

[What Is Wrong with Benefits Realization?](#)

Sep 13, 2018 3:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Too often we think of project management in the context of "doing projects right", but it does not really work. We have to do the right projects first and make sure the

desired outcomes do contribute to the company strategy realization. Benefits realization management (BRM) can be a good solution to align project management with company strategy. There are some common mistakes, which companies make in BRM, and some action points to avoid them and improve the situation.

Tags:

Benefits Realization,
Strategic,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-RMP,
PMI-SP,
PMI-ACP,
PfMP,
PMI-PBA

September 18

[Intrinsic Motivation: Team Mastery for Managers](#)

Sep 18, 2018 3:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Much research and many popular books have been directed toward understanding the pursuit and achievement of mastery. A common understanding has emerged that mastery is more directly dependent upon the amount of time devoted toward deliberate practice. In mature skill areas, mastery can require 10,000 hours or more of deliberate practice. An organization or team filled with members who are committed toward achieving mastery is both desirable and elusive regardless of the industry or field. The key to achievement of mastery on an organizational or team level is individual motivation. Historically, most motivational research and advice has focused on extrinsic motivation. Recently, research has focused more and more on the power of intrinsic motivation. Intrinsically motivating teams can seem complicated and even contradictory. However, understanding the practical sources of intrinsic motivation can help managers apply the principles to real-world situations and increase their team's drive to achieve mastery.

Tags:

Communication,
Integration,
Innovation,
Leadership,
Leadership,
PMP/PgMP,

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September 19

[Change Success: Driving Outcomes that Matter](#)

Sep 19, 2018 12:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

How does your organization define project success? In order for a project to be truly successful it must deliver its anticipated ROI/business objectives.

Tags:

IT Strategy,
Change Management,
Benefits Realization,
Strategic,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-RMP,
PMI-SP,
PMI-ACP,
PfMP,
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September 20

[They Is We; Them Is us: Life Lessons from a Career in Project Management](#)

Sep 20, 2018 11:00 AM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Inevitably, project managers will find themselves in situations that challenge their accumulated knowledge in the field. If you ever find yourself faced with such situations that leave you talking to yourself, muttering statements like “They would

never let me do what I learned at this place”, or “I’ll never be able convince them that what they have asked me to do is wrong”, then this webinar is for you.

Tags:

Leadership,
Leadership,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-RMP,
PMI-SP,
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[Project HEADWAY: Yes, You Can Deviate From the Process](#)

Sep 20, 2018 3:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Processes emerge because there is a perception that they work. Sometimes this is shaped by expert opinion. Sometimes it is because of “best practices.” In many instances they respond to executive whims and desires. In a perfect world, processes work reasonably well most of the time. That also means there are times when what is normally prescribed is not just inappropriate, but may actually undermine what needs to be accomplished. Knowing when to deviate from process—and how—is one of the most important skills for project managers to learn.

Tags:

September 25

[Managing Risk in Agile Environments: Bridging the Gap Between ERM and Scrum](#)

Sep 25, 2018 9:00 AM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Project Managers will continue to play a vital role in the new Agile world. At the Enterprise Level there will always be a need for Governance and the larger the organisation, the more focus there will be in managing risks.

Tags:

Scrum,

Risk,
Agile,
Technical,
Strategic,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-RMP,
PMI-SP,
PMI-ACP,
PfMP,
PMI-PBA

September 28

[Disciplined Decision Making: Experiences in Using the Ethical Decision-Making Framework \(EDMF\)](#)

Sep 28, 2018 11:00 AM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

The purpose of this webinar is to provide practical experiences from using the PMI Ethical Decision Making Framework (EDMF). The webinar begins with the background and genesis for the EDMF, and an overview of the tool and the steps required. Next, the webinar summarizes the research design, collection and analysis process. Participants were asked identify an ethical dilemma, preferably in a business environment, and use the steps in the tool to evaluate the alternatives. Analysis includes what the participants did well, and what they struggled with. In final parts of the webinar, there are recommendations for further use of the tool as a structured mechanism to stop and think before acting in a rash fashion. This tool, was developed by the PMI Ethics Member Advisory Group (EMAG) which acts as a product leader in creating tools and techniques to facilitate meeting the expectations of the PMI Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct. This webinar is applicable to all those working in or related to the project management discipline. Objectives: – Explain background and intended use of Ethical Decision Making Framework (EDMF) – Describe recent EDMF effectiveness research based on student practical experiences – Summarize tool improvement and applicability recommendations

Tags:

Organizational Culture,
Strategic,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-RMP,
PMI-SP,
PMI-ACP,

PfMP,
PMI-PBA

[How Excellence in Collaboration Creates Better Project Plan](#)

Sep 28, 2018 2:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

As projects become more complex, they require collaboration between many different parts of an organization. Creating a common vision and project approach become critical to project planning, approvals and successful project execution.

Tags:

Stakeholder,
Leadership,
Leadership,
PMP/PgMP,
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October 02

[Business Requirements Gathering for Agile Projects](#)

Oct 2, 2018 12:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Utilizing effective business requirements gathering techniques is crucial to project success in any environment. In RefineM's webinar, attendees will learn how to effectively gather business requirements on Agile projects. They will be exposed to techniques including brainstorming, focus group techniques, and many other. They will leave the course ready to gather business requirements for Agile projects.

Tags:

Requirements Management,
Agile,
Technical,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-ACP

October 03

[Lean and Six Sigma: A Blended Approach](#)

Oct 3, 2018 1:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

We have all heard of Lean and Six Sigma, but what about blending the two approaches into a complementary systemic approach to excellence. This presentation will talk about the evolution of process improvement from both lean and six sigma perspective and how the methods complement each other in healthcare and service industries. Case studies from 2 organizations will be presented that successfully deployed Lean Sigma thinking.

Tags:

Integration,
Organizational Project Management,
IT Project Management,
Healthcare,
Technical,
PMP/PgMP

[Yikes, I am Being Replaced by a BOT!](#)

Oct 3, 2018 2:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Robotic Processing Automation (RPA) promises to be a major disruptor to both organizations and their employees over the next few years. This session will answer all of your RPA questions and most importantly discuss what Change Managers must do in order to prepare organizations and their employees for this technology.

Tags:

Change Management,
Leadership,
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Strategic,
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October 11

[Forecast Scheduling for Innovators](#)

Oct 11, 2018 1:00 PM EDT (UTC-4)

PREMIUM WEBINAR

Forecast Scheduling for Innovators shows you how you can forecast your project with just the project schedule, even without advanced techniques like Earned Value, Critical Chain or Agile. The author invented the 'Principle of Dynamic Scheduling' that states: If one thing changes in your project, you should have to change only a single cell in your project schedule to have the scheduling engine recalculate the rest of the schedule. Using this principle, you minimize your effort to maintain the schedule during the busy execution phase of the project. Dynamic Scheduling led to the 'Principle of Forecast Scheduling': If your project schedule is set up as a valid, dynamic, robust model of the project, it will continuously forecast your project. All best practices described in this webinar stem from these two principles. By following them, you will take your scheduling to the next level. PMs will have an add-in (called Forecast Scheduling App) to realize these principles in their project schedules. PMOs will have a framework, checklist and app to analyze all project schedules. Key learning points: - What is your aim: Model the Time, Workload and/or Cost dimension of your project? - The principle of Dynamic Scheduling and Forecast scheduling demonstrated in real-life project schedules - What benefits to expect from Dynamic Scheduling and Forecast scheduling?

Tags:

Scheduling,
Technical,
PMP/PgMP,
PMI-SP

New PMI-NNV Chapter Members

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