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<p><a href="#">PMI Northern Nevada</a></p>	<p><a href="#">PMI-NNV Home</a></p> <p><b>Chapter Plans Exciting and Busy February</b></p> <p>February may be a short month, PMI-NNV is packing it full of activities and new learning opportunities! A breakfast meeting has been added to our roster of events, providing yet another opportunity for celebrating, networking, and learning, more information in the articles below.</p>
<p><a href="#">Chapter News</a></p> <p><a href="#">Monthly Dinner Meeting</a></p> <p><a href="#">Non-Profits</a></p> <p><a href="#">Monthly Lunch Meeting</a></p> <p><a href="#">Upcoming Webinars</a></p> <p><a href="#">Members</a></p>	<p><b>Volunteer!</b></p> <p>We are always looking for volunteers. All chapter volunteer openings can be found on the website at: <a href="https://pmi-nnv.org/get-involved/volunteeroportunities/66-general/newsletter/495-volopeningsnewsletter-2">https://pmi-nnv.org/get-involved/volunteeroportunities/66-general/newsletter/495-volopeningsnewsletter-2</a></p> <p>This month we are highlighting are <b>Sponsorship Director</b> position. This rewarding position will be responsible for bringing in new sponsors and addressing the needs of our current sponsors. Some duties include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Owns/maintains the sponsorship program</li><li>• Works with companies in the community to get sponsors</li><li>• Provides communication with our sponsors</li></ul> <p><b>Time Commitment: Approximately 2-3 hrs/month</b></p> <p>If you are interested in this position, please email <a href="mailto:vp-members@pmi-nnv.org">vp-members@pmi-nnv.org</a>.</p>
	<p><b>Reminders!</b></p>

**Feedback Needed:** 2019 PMI Northern Nevada Chapter Satisfaction Survey Members please fill them out - you received an email from PMI Chapter Development (PMI Global) and they are due 2/18/19. Please take a few minutes and respond, thank you.

**Election Time:**

2019 Election Announcement

***PMI Nevada Chapter Election Timeline***



**January 22 Meeting**

Advise members of open Board positions available for nomination

**February**

Update website to allow nomination election form

**February 26 Meeting**

Remind members of open Board positions  
Incent members to elect nominees for open positions  
Allow time for questions/answer regarding position's

responsibilities

Noting requirements below...

**How to Submit Your Nomination**

Go to the PMI Nevada Chapter's website, available from the Elections drop down menu, click on Nomination Submission. Please be aware that potential candidates must meet the criteria listed below:

1. The candidate must be a member in good standing of PMI-NNV, Inc.
2. The candidate has been a member of PMI for at least one calendar year
3. The candidate has served in a volunteer capacity with the Northern Nevada Chapter
4. The candidate cannot have any ethics complaints or grievances lodged against them or the chapter currently or within the last 5 years.
5. The candidate should be able to commit a minimum of 10 hours per month towards chapter activities and Board meetings.

<b>March 26</b>	Remind members nominations will go through April
<b>April 16</b>	Advise members nominations are closed
<b>April 23</b>	Meeting Introduce all nominated candidates
	Remove nomination election form from website
<b>May 1-17</b>	<b>Members vote</b> to elect for open Board positions
<b>May 28 Meeting</b>	<b>Announce voting results</b> for Board positions

## Open Positions

### *Vice President of Member Services*

The Vice President of Member Services is responsible for ensuring that members are aware of available services. (2 yr commitment)

- Manage outreach to members (new members, exiting members, badges, PDUs)
- Recruit and lead volunteers in team
- Administer the chapter member services plan
- Manage budget areas as assigned by President
- Manage to the policies and procedures for areas of responsibility

\*Preferred Qualifications: Experience in building relationships and supporting PMI membership. Strong organization and technical/web skills.

### *President-Elect*

Duties as written (Bylaws – Article V; Section 4)

The President-Elect position will serve one year, then move to the President position for two years and then serve as Past President for one year. (4 yr commitment)

- Yearly review of the chapter's strategic plan

- Alignment of tactical projects with strategic plan
- Manage Policies and Procedures required
- Manage website (volunteers, partners, consultants, interfacing with PMI GOC)
- Manage portion of dinner meetings (speaker coordinator, laptop management & setup)
- Manage budget areas as assigned by President
- Stand-in for the President in his/her

\*Preferred Qualifications: Experience in leadership, communication and executive management skills. Competent in managing relationships, have an understanding of financial management and strategic needs. Able to motivate and communicate with individuals and a group.

#### ***Vice President of Marketing***

The Vice President of Marketing is responsible for promoting the chapter and its services to both members and the community at large. (2 yr commitment)

- Manage marketing and the marketing team (newsletter, advertising, sponsorship)
- Administer the chapter marketing plan
- Outreach into the community for reaching new companies for new training, advertising and sponsorship activities.
- Manage budget areas as assigned by President
- Manage to the policies and procedures for areas of responsibility

\*Preferred Qualifications: Marketing and internal/external communication background; ideally with a non-profit organization. Experience in developing programs to promote an organization, creating marketing products, newsletters and brochures. Strong presentation and negotiation skills.

#### ***Vice President of Professional Development***

The Vice President of Professional Development is responsible for promoting Project Management Professionalism through the development of educational publications, seminars, and workshops designed to help Project Managers in their professional

development. This includes providing the training, workshops, forums, technical dinner meetings and seminars.

- Develop and implement a chapter professional development plan
- Manage budget areas as assigned by President
- Develop policies and procedures for areas of responsibility
- Appoints and leads directors as required.

\*Preferred Qualifications: Experience in professional program development and curriculum design. Strong organization and communication skills. Familiar with project management professional development units (PDU's) required by PMI.

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## **February Dinner Meeting on the 26th at Napa Sonoma Plumbgate, Reno.**

February 26, 2019 Dinner Meeting



PMI NNV is excited to announce that Michelle LaBrosse, Founder and CEO of Cheetah Learning, will be our guest speaker at the upcoming February 26 dinner meeting. Aside from her leadership role at Cheetah Learning Michelle is also the author of Cheetah Negotiations, Cheetah Project Management, and Cheetah Know How.

Michelle's topic will be: "Finish Your Projects Faster – Three Crucial Steps" which is going to help you:

1. Start your projects in a way that ensures you will finish fast.
2. Prevent the most common problems that derail projects.
3. Avoid the embarrassment and humiliation of a project that takes too long.
4. Inspire people to move heaven and earth to help you finish your projects fast.
5. Go after better opportunities.

6. Get promoted at work or find a better paying, more fulfilling job.
7. If you run your own business, you'll be able to launch new products faster and test out more marketing ideas quicker.
8. Get along better with people who help you do your projects.

**Location:** Napa Sonoma Plumgate - 550 W Plumb Ln, Reno, NV 89509

The capacity of the room is 36. We will stop accepting registrations when we reach room capacity. We will continue to accept "Pay-at-the-door" but can no longer accept walk-ins. If you are planning on attending please do register.

[Register](#)

[Add to calendar](#)

**Michelle's Bio**

[Read more...](#)

## Can't make Dinner?

## How about a Breakfast Meeting!

Reno Breakfast Meeting

**Reno breakfast meeting** – 1st Saturday of the month 9AM – 11AM at Napa Sonoma South (Starts in March) - 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 breakfast 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.

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## **First Dinner Meeting of the Year: A Panel Discussion on Benefits of Agile Development Methodology-**

The panel discussion was informative and interactive, giving the attendees an introduction to the concept of Agile from different perspectives. The panel members were able to relate different approaches to project management to the concept of Agile, as well as the benefits and pitfalls.



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## **Message from our President**

### **February 2019**

This month there are two Chapter events planned: a lunch meeting at Napa-Sonoma South on February 19, and a dinner meeting at Napa-Sonoma Plumbgate on February 26, at which Michelle LaBrosse, Founder and CEO of Cheetah Learning, will speak on

the topic “Finish Your Projects Faster – Three Crucial Steps.” We expect Michelle will be a big draw, and reservations may quickly fill the room capacity of 36, so if you want to come, sign up right away on our website. After 36, we will have to close reservations. Signing up early also helps with the catering arrangements and earns you a discount for the dinner meeting.

We had a lot of fun discussing Agile development at the January dinner meeting, although there was not nearly enough time to really do the subject justice. Karen Michael, one of the panelists, presented an Agility Assessment and Continuous Improvement platform, about which you can learn more at <https://www.ComparativeAgility.com>

She has set up an instance of the tool in which Chapter members can take the survey based on practices in their current positions. The questions explore what are currently considered best practices, and will quickly make clear areas for improvement which you can pursue as appropriate in your own situation. The composite data will enable us to get a picture of how agile we are as a group. The survey will take about 20 minutes, and can be accessed at <https://app.comparativeagility.com/survey/9c603ccef2126edba468a34d24e2d92396a7ae33/en/Ca> I think you will find it interesting and thought-provoking. After time for people to take the survey, we will make available the composite results.

Our Chapter depends on its volunteers to thrive and grow. If you are able to contribute some of your time and talent, visit the **Get Involved/Volunteer Opportunities** tab on our website to learn more about the opportunities available. If you have a PMP or other PMI certification, this is a good way to earn PDUs while serving your fellow Chapter members.

If you are already a volunteer, please consider running for one of the open positions on our board. We need people to fill VP-Membership, VP-Marketing, VP-Professional Development, and President-Elect starting July 1. Descriptions of these positions can be found on our website on the Elections tab, along with a nomination form.

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

David Richards, PMP, PMI-ACP



# Save the Date!

## April is the Chapter's 10th Anniversary.

Save The Date



On April 23, 2019, we will be having our PMI NNV 10-year Chapter Anniversary Celebration. Mark your calendars now for a special night. We will have more details posted soon.

[Read more...](#)

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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.

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## Special Event: INTERFACE RENO

PMI Northern Nevada invites you to attend a CPE-accredited educational conference for IT professionals focusing on the latest developments in this constantly changing information technology environment. As a key-influencer on the evaluation of IT solutions, INTERFACE Reno was developed for you.

Event Details: [f2fevents.com/event/rno19](https://f2fevents.com/event/rno19)

INTERFACE Reno  
May 1st, 2019  
8:30am – 4:45pm

Atlantis Casino  
3800 S. Virginia Street  
Reno, NV 89502

Registration is members only. Please have your PMI ID # when checking in at the event.

<https://f2fevents.com/evite/rno19-pmi-northern-nevada/>



## Upcoming Webinars

### [Driving Cultural Transformation](#)

**Feb 6, 2019 2:00:00 PM EST (UTC-5)**

*Presenter: [Wendy Heckelman](#)*

This webinar offers five (5) core principles to guide culture change and improve the probability of successful cultural transformation.

### [Guide to Cultural Diversity for Project Managers](#)

**Feb 12, 2019 11:00:00 AM EST (UTC-5)**

*Presenter: [Philippe Honore](#)*

“Y’all need to RSVP ASAP, so we know if that site is RFI or not! I mean, that’s like PMP101, you got me?” Because communication is paramount in Project Management, it is crucial for all stakeholders to understand your message. This webinar will expose participants to a variety of cultures - how we perceive them and how they perceive us. The presenter will share his own experience and the challenges he faced as a project manager in various countries in Europe and Africa. This presentation will provide the cultural diversity awareness necessary to better lead team members (by taking into consideration their cultural differences) while creating your Communications Management Plan and Stakeholder Management Plan. Attendees will be encouraged to ask questions, and time will be allowed to interact with the presenter.

### [Project Manager or Scrum Master? Is there a future for both roles?](#)

**Feb 14, 2019 9:00:00 AM EST (UTC-5)**

*Presenter: [Stelian ROMAN](#)*

For the past 15 years, the Scrum Master and Project Manager roles have coexisted

well, especially in IT projects. From the very technical role that was part of the Software Development Team, the Scrum Master evolved into a new organizational role sometimes with a well-defined job description and with responsibilities that transcended the technical background from which it originated. Although the role was defined in the Scrum framework, the Scrum Master role is now present in other frameworks; there are many training courses and certifications available from organizations other than scrum.org and scrum alliance with different views on the skills and responsibilities required of the Scrum Master. This provides additional evidence that the role is evolving beyond what the Scrum Guide authors intended. The Project Manager role has also changed since the Agile Manifesto publication and the adoption of Agile delivery frameworks. This evolution is mainly due to a dynamic business environment, more geographically distributed workforce, and, last but not least, the digital revolution: cloud, social media, and mobile technology impact how projects are managed and delivered. Some organizations are planning to convert Project Managers to Scrum Masters; in others, the Scrum Masters are encouraged to become Project Managers. This presentation is an assessment of the responsibilities, skills, and knowledge needed for each role and a view of the future of the two roles based on the presenter's experience as a Development Team Lead, Development Manager, Scrum Master, and Project Manager working with Scrum Teams.

**[Organizational Change Management \(OCM\) for Project Managers Part 2: Stakeholders & Resistance](#)**

**Feb 20, 2019 11:00:00 AM EST (UTC-5)**

*Presenter: [Paul Burton](#)*

A review of Organizational Change Management (OCM) for Project Managers with a focus on stakeholder and resistance management. This webinar will provide an overview of key activities for both areas, including managing stakeholder power and influence, developing action plans, and managing changes. The presenter reviews typical misconceptions of resistance on projects and provides methods to manage them proactively.

**More Upcoming Webinars**

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| 2/20/19 | 1:00 PM  | <a href="#">The Unwritten Rules of Managing Up: Dos and Don'ts for Teaming Effectively with Senior Level Stakeholders</a> |
| 2/28/19 | 1:00 PM  | <a href="#">Visual Control Board for a Strategic PMO</a>  |
| 3/6/19  | 2:00 PM  | <a href="#">Introduction to Strengths-Based Project Management - Finding Your Strengths (Part 1)</a>                      |
| 3/8/19  | 9:00 AM  | <a href="#">The Agile Enterprise: What is different in an Agile Project?</a>  |
| 3/28/19 | 11:00 AM | <a href="#">PMI-PBA: From "What It Is?" To "I Did It!"</a>  |
| 4/3/19  | 2:00 PM  | <a href="#">Introduction to Strengths-Based Project Management - Seeing the Strengths of Others (Part 2)</a>              |

*\* all times are displayed in EST (UTC-5)*

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## **Learning Opportunity: PMP Prep Class- at a discount**

### **Discount for PMI NNV - PMP Prep Class in Reno This March.**

PM Accelerated Learning Services's PMP Prep class in Reno will be March 25th - 28th, 2019.

To enroll, folks can head to <https://www.learnwithpmals.com/PMPprep-p/pmp-2019.htm>.

I'm happy to offer a special discount to PMI Northern Nevada Members. Just let them know to use the coupon code pmichapter to get a \$150.00 savings off the price of the program.

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**Disclaimer: Northern Nevada has many educational providers who offer Project Management training and courses. PMINNV does not endorse any educational providers.**

## **New PMI-NNV Chapter Members**

### **New Members**

New Members:  
Shiana Ferng, PMP  
Benjamin Yeung  
Sharon Owen  
George Michael Jessor, PMP  
Alyx Colburn, PMP

	<p>Julia Destremes Marybeth Grant, PMP</p> <p><b>New Credentials:</b></p> <p>Edward Hsu, CAPM</p>

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