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MAY 22 , 2002 SEMINAR REPORT RECORD TURN-OUT

The Society set a new Professional Day attendance record with fifty-nine registrants for the Eighth Professional Development Seminar in Vancouver, Wednesday May 22, 2002. Project Manager Peter Leekha, PMP put together a very attractive program with an appeal to practitioners from all project technologies. The program featured these presenters and workshop leaders:

Garry Graham, PMP
 John Eastman, P. Eng.,
 Lucy Guest, PMP
 Padraig Cherry, PMP
 Bena Luxton, PMP
 Darlene Hope-Ross, PMP

Robert Molina, PMP, chaired the proceedings.

REMAINING PD DAYS PLANNED FOR THE BALANCE OF 2002

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 October 23, 2002. Professional Day Seminar (New Date!)  
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Originally targeted for September 25, this seminar is planned as full-day participatory session dedicated to exploring what we have learned about how groups think and decide.

Invited specialists will lead the participants in exploring a range of interactive techniques for creating a shared understanding of an issue or problem among the members of a team and for arriving at a consensus decision or resolution. One of these is Robert B. Gillis, PMI Fellow and internationally recognized pioneer in the development and use of interactive

group sessions for project start-up, planning, and decision making.

Planned topics and techniques will include:

- leadership and facilitation of group processes
- collaborative resolution of conflicts in groups
- information structures for modelling strategic and project plans
- tools for fostering team creativity; brainstorming, mapping, and visual feedback
- learning processes for shifting the culture of a team

Walter Wawruck, PMP is the Project Manager for the October 23 seminar. Please contact him if you would like to be involved in organizing and conducting the seminar. Give him your suggestions for activities, techniques, and specialist resources who should be part of the program.

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November 27, 2002. Professional Day Seminar  
and Annual General Meeting of the Society.  
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The Tenth Professional Development Seminar, and the last Professional Day of the year will be anchored with Sam Wharton's examination of "Three Court Decisions that Changed Project Management for Ever". Project Manager for the event, Ann Schwartz, PMP, is making arrangements with additional PMP presenters and workshop leaders. She invites others to become part of the program or to assist with organizing. Please contact Ann Schwartz, PMP, at schwartz@idmail.com to volunteer and score some PDUs.

There will be a brief Business Meeting to elect the Officers of the Society for the next year. PMP Volunteers are invited for these roles. Contact Walter Wawruck to learn more about these PDU earning opportunities.

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OTHER PDU OPPORTUNITIES

Here are some other events, advertised for the next two months, which will be opportunities to earn PDUs towards PMP recertification.

AACE International, Portland, June 23 - 26, 2002. The 46th annual meeting of the Association for cost engineering and project management.

<http://www.aacei.org/>

PMI Research Conference 2002, Seattle, July 14 - 17, 2002.

<http://www.pmi.org/research/conference/conference.htm>

PMI ANNOUNCEMENT ON "SUSPENDED" AND "REVOKED" PMPs

December 31, 2001 was a critical deadline for any PMP who was certified or re-certified prior to 1999. This encompasses perhaps half, or more, of our Vancouver area PMPs

All PMPs who fall into this category, in order to maintain their good standings as PMPs, had to report at least 60 Professional Development Units (PDUs) by December 31, 2001.

PMPs who failed to meet the 31 December deadline have now been given until June 30, 2002 to report the required PDUs. Failing that, their certification status will be "suspended", and they will NOT be allowed to use the PMP designation. These individuals will then have until December 31, 2002 to complete the requirements before their PMP certification is "revoked." Once revoked, the PMP certification can be regained only by going through the entire application process and once more passing the PMP examination.

Download a copy of the announcement as a PDF file at
<http://www.pmi.org/certification/new/whatsnew.htm#ImportantMessage>

The on-line system for reporting PDUs, at <https://certificationapp.pmi.org/> has been working very effectively. PMPs who filed on-line by year end have been receiving their re-certification applications in the mail.

As has been noted in previous newsletters, it appears that the Institute is very anxious to accommodate PMPs who wish to retain the designation. All classes of points earned under the earlier, pre-1999 system can be carried forward, and PDUs can be claimed for doing one's project management work.

Up to 20 PDUs earned in 2001, in excess of those required for re-certification, can be carried forward into the next three-year re-certification cycle. See
<http://www.pmi.org/certification/pdp/overview.htm>

 STRICTLY VOLUNTEER - YOUR
 ROLE IN THE SOCIETY

Volunteer PMs for each event, presenters, facilitators and Society Officers for next year are being recruited now.

Unless a volunteer Project Manager steps forward from the ranks of the local PMPs, a seminar does not proceed. We do have a list of some volunteer PMP presenters, but more are needed, as are volunteers to facilitate the workshop discussions which will follow the presentations.

Each PMP is a candidate for any of the roles on a seminar. The Society is based on the principle that we learn from each other, and each of us has valuable experience to share or facilitation skills to contribute.

Seminar participants can claim seven PDUs for the day. We now have confirmation from PMI on the PDUs that presenters (10), facilitators and panellists (5), and the PM (5) can claim, in addition to the time they spend as participants. Society Officers can claim five PDUs for each year of service.

Volunteers should contact Walter Wawruck wawruck@intouch.bc.ca or the Project Manager for a seminar.

ABOUT THE SOCIETY - WEBSITE ADDRESS

The Society of PM Professionals is a voluntary, democratic organization of PMP®s in the Greater Vancouver area, who are dedicated to the achievement of their common purposes in the profession through mutual support, co-operation, and collective effort.

The Society holds at least three Professional Development Seminars in Vancouver each year.

The Professional Development Seminars feature technical presentations and workshop facilitation by PMP®s for the purpose of continuing professional development. The seminar is intended for PMP®s. However, the Society welcomes guests who are committed to the advancement of the Profession. Practitioners who plan to become certified as PMP®s are welcome in particular.

For more information on the Society:

<http://www.vcn.bc.ca/pmp/>

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If you have not yet filled in a membership application, contact Dale Hawley, PMP, download one from the website, or complete a form at the October seminar.

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