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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

## Hello PMPs!

Happy New Year to all Vancouver area PMPs. I am looking forward to serving as President of the Society for 2005 and I believe we have a truly exciting year planned for you with five PD Seminars.

During the Annual General Meeting, November 30, 2004, a quorum of members elected Ray Parent, PMP as President, and Joan Hambury, PMP as Secretary Treasurer, and returned Walter Wawruck, PMP as Registrar. Please feel free to contact us at any time regarding the Society.

Thanks to 2004 officers, President Lucy Guest, PMP and Secretary-Treasurer Robert Molina, PMP for their important contributions to the advancement of the Society.

I believe this is an exciting time to be in the Project Management profession, as it starts to mature in industries and markets outside of the traditional ones that have a long standing history such as Military, Space, and Mega Engineering. There are signs of increasing maturity all around us. In education we are starting to see not only training programs and seminars but organized programs resulting in certificates and degrees from colleges, institutes, and universities. The lists are extensive. We also see a growth in the number and size of professional and technical societies devoted to project management. Weekly, monthly, yearly there are more and more seminars, forums, boot camps, and trade shows dedicated to project management. The list of methodologies, tools, and resources available to us is mind boggling as is the number of companies offering them.

And yet you can look at any and all of the projects underway and know there is so much room for improvement. This is the exciting part . . . being able to make a difference. It is why we at the society continually strive for more and better PD Seminars so that we may all make that difference.

"Never doubt that a small group of committed people

can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has"

Margaret Mead

Ray Parent, PMP

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FIRST NOTICE "LEGAL AND ETHICAL ISSUES" 22ND PD SEMINAR FEBRUARY 22, 2005

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The first notice for the Twenty-second PD Seminar, February 22, 2005, will be issued by Michael Van de Guchte, PMP, on Monday January 25, 2005. Keep your eye out for this one because with a title like "Legal and Ethical Issues" it is likely to fill up fast. Contact Mike.VandeGuchte@absu.accenture.com

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PD SEMINARS PLANNED FOR 2005

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During the November 30, 2004 PD Seminar, Walter Wawruck, PMP, conducted a planning workshop which resulted in the selection of five themes for the PD Seminars in 2005. This session was so successful that we already have four of the five Project Managers committed to plan them. In addition, each PD Seminar has an ample list of presentation/workshop topics for each PM to choose from and about half the volunteer presenters needed have already committed.

February 22 - Legal and Ethical Issues in PM

Michael Van de Guchte, PMP, Project Manager

Mike.VandeGuchte@absu.accenture.com

April 27 - Systems Projects Delivery

Stacey Cerniuk, PMP, Project Manager

scernuik@annexgroup.com

May 25 - Education and Development

Linda Molinari, PMP, Project Manager

lindamolinari@themis.bc.ca

September 28 - Facilities & Infrastructure

Alberto Cayuela, PMP, Project Manager

acayuela@stantec.com

November 23 - Initiating Systems Projects & AGM

Project Manager: TBD Contact: rayparent@shaw.ca

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS INVITED

Additional volunteers are invited to complete the slate of presenters, workshop leaders, and team members. Please contact the appropriate PM above. In addition to providing items for the technical programs, there are opportunities to assist the project managers in roles such as registration manager, technical program co-ordination, binder production and evaluation report preparation.

There is an opening for one more Project Manager to plan the final PD Seminar of the year on November 23, 2005. Although there is a lot of time between now and then, it is preferred to have a body committed to it as soon as possible. Please contact Ray Parent, <a href="mailto:rayparent@shaw.ca">rayparent@shaw.ca</a> for information.

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SOME CHANGES FOR 2005

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This year we will be holding all five PD Seminar events at the Holiday Inn Metrotown. Your executive made this decision in order to negotiate the best pricing model for the Society as well as make the organization of each seminar less onerous for the Project Manager. With stable prices, level of service, and pre-booked dates, your Seminar Project Teams are better able to focus on the technical program and other details that make the day successful. I understand that as of the time of writing this notice, the Holiday Inn Metrotown is renovating the room we use so expect a whole new look when you see it next.

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SUCCESSFUL PD SEMINARS -NOVEMBER 1 AND 30, 2004

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The Society held six professional Development Seminars in 2004. Each one of them sold out shortly after the notice was issued. The presenters and workshop leaders for the final two seminars of last year are listed below:

20th PD Seminar - November 1, 2004

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"Manufacturing: Customization and Standard Product Development / Installations". Darren Wager, PMP, and Robert Schulz, PMP, Project Managers

THE PROPOSAL AS A PROJECT Christine Poulin, P.Eng., PMP

LESSONS LEARNED IN THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY Ivan Kuun, PMP

EARNED VALUE ADDS NO VALUE
TO PROJECT MANAGEMENT Walter Wawruck, PMP

THE COST MODEL AS A DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATIONAL TOOL IN A MANUFACTURING ENVIRONMENT Elizabeth Dillon, PMP

LEAN CONCEPTS IN MANUFACTURING, PROJECTS, AND MANUFACTURING PROJECTS Hugh Alley, P.Eng, PMP

21st PD Seminar November 30, 2004

"Project Management Practices in Data Networks and Communications", Ray Parent PMP, Project Manager

BEST PRACTICES FOR BUILDING AND RUNNING NETWORKS Steve Forrest, PMP

UNIVERSITY NETWORK PROGRAM
Alberto Cayuela, PMP and Susan Mair, PMP

## PLANNING A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM Walter Wawruck, PMP

MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS "TURNKEY OR NOT TURNKEY" Emmanuel Mahieu, PMP

TRENDS & SHIFTING DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE IT WORKFORCE Derek Bullen

ABOUT THE SOCIETY - WEBSITE ADDRESS

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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.

There are more than 350 PMPs in the Vancouver area who receive notices of Society events.

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, a PMP® may invite 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: <a href="http://www.vcn.bc.ca/pmprof/">http://www.vcn.bc.ca/pmprof/</a>

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CONTACT THE OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY

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At the November 30, 2004 Annual Meeting, the officers of the Society were elected for a one year term.

President: Ray Parent, PMP rayparent@shaw.ca

Secretary Treasurer: Joan Hambury, PMP joanhambury@shaw.ca

Registrar: Walter Wawruck, PMP wawruck@intouch.bc.ca

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

Please let us know if you wish to receive notices from the Society at a different

e-mail address.