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## Upcoming Dinner Events:

**PMI Thumb Chapter May Dinner Meeting**  
May 11, 2016

**PMI-MTC 20th Anniversary Celebration Dow – Loons night**  
Aug 14, 2016

## Stay Connected with our Chapter on Social Media

Our Chapter has Twitter account (@pmimtc), which will be used in conjunction with the website to provide

## The Thumbprint - Quarterly

Welcome to the second edition of the Thumbprint newsletter for 2016! This issue is full of information about the upcoming chapter meeting, 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration held at Great Lakes Loons game, 2016 Cyber Security PDD, and more. Let us know your feedback – we hope to see you at a Chapter dinner meeting.

### Join us for the PMI Thumb Chapter Meeting - 05/11/2016

**TOPIC:** Review of PMI-MTC chapter highlights and statistics for 2015/2016

**SPEAKER:** **Doug Kiracofe**, PMI-MTC Chapter President

**ABSTRACT:** Annual business meeting to discuss the state of the PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter.

[Register Now!](#)

**DINNER AND PRESENTATION:** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**MEETING LOCATION:** Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn, 713 S. Main Street, Frankenmuth, MI 48734

**Can't make it for dinner?** Join us for the speaker presentation that begins at 7:00 PM. *Networking, door prize, and more...*

## Message from the President - Doug Kiracofe

Hey chapter members!

*Professional Development Day:*

You will not want to miss this year's Professional Development Day (PDD). Our theme is:

### Safety in Cyber Space - How to Identify Risk and Act

We have several high profile speakers that will teach us about cyber risk in today's online and virtual world. We are going to hear about various cyber security threats, hack attacks, spammers, and spoofer, identify theft, and many other real threats. Plus, we will learn about how to identify the risks and how to protect ourselves from these threats.

The date is Monday, September 26, 2016, and will be held at the Bavarian Lodge in Frankenmuth, Michigan.

You should register early and reserve your spot as the tickets will go fast for this event! **Early Bird Registration is open...**

*20th Anniversary Celebration:*

up-to-date information to our members. Feel free to check it out and let us know what you think or if you have any suggestions!

You can also Like us on Facebook!!

Connect With Us :



## Get Online PDUs:

**Not a member? Receive communications on upcoming events by subscribing here...**

Name

Code: 

That's right! The PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year as a PMI chapter, and we are hosting a big event to honor it! Please join us for a Great Lakes Loons baseball game on Sunday, August 14th, 2016, at the Northern Lights Pavilion of Dow Diamond Stadium in Midland, Michigan. The event begins at 1 pm. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available for purchase on our Chapter's Website - [DIVE IN](#) and order your tickets today. Quantities are limited.

### *Region 4 Meeting:*

In other news, the Region 4 meeting is coming up on June 10-12 in Mohonk, New York. Two board members, Anita Kentworthy and Najla Mamou, will attend to represent our Chapter. They will bring back information from all chapters in the region that we can use to improve member services and provide YOU will information concerning PMI and our region.

### *May Dinner Meeting - Annual Business Review:*

This meeting is our annual business review where I will share financial information, survey results, and the general state of our Chapter as we conclude the 2015-2016 academic year. Election results will also be shared as we are looking to elect a Vice President of Finance and a Vice President of Membership. Please join us for this important meeting. [Registration is open.](#)

### *Volunteering:*

Volunteering is a wonderful experience! Think about becoming involved with your Chapter. Without your support, there will be no Chapter. Contact [Annette Blegen](#) to discover volunteer opportunities.

### *Thank you for being part of the Michigan Thumb Chapter:*

Please [contact me](#) with any questions, concerns, or just to let me know how we can serve you better.

## Upcoming events

### **PMI Thumb Chapter 20th Anniversary (08-14-2016)**

**Event:** 20th Anniversary Celebration

**Buffet:** 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**Ball Game:** 2:05 First Pitch

**Meeting Location:** Dow Diamond, Midland

**Ticket Prices:** \$10 per person

Quantities are limited.

[Register Now!](#)

### **2016 MTC Professional Development Day (09-26-2016)**

### **Safety in Cyber Space – How to Identify Risk & Act**

**SPEAKERS:**

### FBI Task Force - Keynote Speaker

**David Barton** - UHY & **Joe Haney** - Sterling Agency

**J Wolfgang Goerlich** - CBI

**Steven Fox** - US Treasury

**Joe Lykowski, Anthony Mitchell, and Helen Myers** - Dow Chemical Security

**Kristopher Curylo** - Ally Financial, Inc.

**SESSION:** 7:15 AM to 5:00 PM

**MEETING LOCATION:** Bavarian Lodge, Frankenmuth

More information to be come... Early Bird Registration is Open...

[Register Now!](#)

## SPOTLIGHT: Professional Development

### Announcing the 2016-2017 Board Member Elections

If you are looking for a way to give back to your Chapter, this is a great choice. Volunteering for the Chapter is a way to earn valuable PDUs, but even more, it is a chance to provide input into the way things are handled. A volunteer, especially a Board member volunteer, has direct influence over decisions that are made that affect Chapter operations. If you have never volunteered before, please consider this opportunity!

We are currently soliciting of nominees for the two upcoming positions: **VP of Finance** and **VP of Membership**. We are asking for any nominees until ballot by Wed, April 6. Member voting is from 4/20 until 5/9.

Board election results to be announced at the May 11th Chapter Dinner Meeting.

## SPOTLIGHT: Education

### Interpreting the PDU Language, Part 2

*This is the second part of a two-part series on PDU processes Demystified.*

While the total number of PDUs for a Project Management professional has not changed, PMI has made noteworthy changes to the PDU process:

- Superior performance of project management practices
- Superior organizational results
- Positive impacts on society

### 2016 Instructions to Submit PDUs

Many members are inquiring as to the new PDU classifications and how to report PDUs. After attending a PMI-MTC chapter dinner meeting or other training, please follow PMI's guidance.

Navigate to PMI website at <http://www.pmi.org/>

Hover over **Certifications** Tab and select **Report PDUs**

Log into PMI.org with your credentials

Select **Report PDUs** from the list on the left

*Note: You can also look at the [Handbook](#) and guides for detailed information*

Select a PDU category from the following two lists, fill in required info, accept terms, and submit

**Education:** Course or Training; Organization Meetings; Online or Digital Media; Read; and Informal Learning

**Giving Back:** Work as a Practitioner; Create Content; Give a Presentation; Share Knowledge or Volunteer

#### For PMI Meetings:

- Select **Organization Meetings**
  - Organization Host (PMI MI Thumb Chapter. Select from drop-down once you start typing)
  - Title (of the meeting)
  - Meeting # (optional, can put in the date of the meeting)
  - Description (optional, brief description of the presentation)
  - Date Started & Completed
  - URL (optional)
  - PDU's claimed (broken out by Technical/Leadership/Strategic) The chapter will post on website what type of meeting and share at meeting
  - Accept the terms
- **Submit**

With the newly updated PMI Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR) Program rolled out in Dec 2015, the reporting requirements have also changed. We have created a simplified one-page document that will assist you with reporting yours. [Read more...](#)

Contact the Director of Education, [Najla Mamou](#), for more information or assistance.

## Things You May Have Missed

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### Past Meetings

**Jan 13, 2016:** [Diversity in the Workplace](#) with Dr. Mamie T. Thorns (SVSU). Dr. Thorns covered an inspiring topic in dealing with Diversity with real-life examples she's experienced. Working with the students of Saginaw Valley State University she has touched the lives of many students over the years.

**Mar 9, 2016:** [The Reinvention of Saginaw](#) with John Stemple, Inspector for City of Saginaw, and Tom Miller, City of Saginaw Economic Development. They walked us through how, over the last few years, they have been able to turn the city around by combating urban blight by tearing down derelict homes in the area.

## SAVE THE DATE: 2016 PDD

**2016 MTC Professional Development Day - 8 PDUs**

**Safety in Cyber Space – How to Identify Risk and Act**

September 26, 2016

[Early Bird Registration is Open...](#)

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