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Upcoming Dinner Events:

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Aug 14, 2016

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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 mid-year Summer highlights of the Thumbprint newsletter for 2016! This issue is full of information about the upcoming 20th Anniversary celebration held at Great Lakes Loons game, 2016 Cyber Security PDD, opportunities to volunteer and much more. Let us know your feedback – we hope to see you at a Chapter event.

Join us for the 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!](#)

Message from the President - Doug Kiracofe

JOIN US!

Hello everyone! It is an exciting time for the Chapter! We are participating in our first-ever Adopt-A-Highway program starting on July 16, 2016. We will help keep Michigan highways clean and tidy, while at the same time promoting the Chapter to motorists passing by. [Ed Turley](#), our new Director of Volunteers, has arranged everything with the State of Michigan. We will be working on I-475 in Genesee County at the south end of our jurisdiction. If you can, please volunteer to join us in the clean up!

WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU WITH US!

I am sure you are aware by now that your Chapter is turning 20 years old this year! We are celebrating in Midland at the Dow Diamond with the [Great Lakes Loons Baseball Club](#). The date of the celebration is Sunday, August 14, 2016 starting at 1:00 PM for a buffet luncheon. Dignitaries from PMI will be on hand as well as several people from the Chapter's past all gathering to wish us well, as we start our next 20 years! Tickets are only \$10 per person and are available on our Website. A good time will be had by all!

Also, just around the corner is our [2016 Professional Development Day](#): Monday September 26, 2016. You won't want to miss this one, folks! In the age we live in, everyone is touched in some way by the Internet and cyberspace. Even if you stay away from social media and electronic things that might be harmful; we are all affected by phishing, spamming, spoofing, and other forms of hacking and identity theft. This year's themed event will concentrate on all forms of cyber-attacks, corporate and personal, and how you can be prepared to handle them. We have renowned speakers coming in who are experts in their fields around cyber security, including an FBI Task Force representative who will be giving an eye-opening discussion. Tickets and additional information are available through our Website.

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!!

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We are meeting at the Bavarian Lodge in beautiful downtown Frankenmuth!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Please join me in congratulating [Stephanie Hawkins](#) and [Annette Blegen](#) as our Chapter "Volunteers of the Year"! Stephanie is our Webmaster and has been doing a fantastic job delivering information via our Website including keeping it updated with seemingly constant changes. Annette is our Vice President of Professional Development and she has been instrumental in locating quality speakers for our dinner meetings not to mention her dedication to bringing our membership the best in training courses to help folks earn PDUs toward their recertification. Thank you Stephanie and Annette!! Your service has been well noted!

A New Chapter President is Coming!

[Anita Kenworthy](#), our current Vice president of Administration, is stepping up to become our Chapter's new President starting in May of 2017. She is in the President-Elect status right now and will assume full responsibility next year. I have enjoyed my 4-year tenure as your president and am fully supporting Anita's transition to the role! Please join me in congratulating and supporting her as she moves forward!

Last, but certainly not least, thank you to all our valued members who are helping to keep the PMI-Michigan Thumb Area Chapter a vital part of their community! If you have an idea as to how we can be of service, or how to help us grow, please let us know. We welcome your comments.

Oh, in case you didn't know, the PMI-Michigan Thumb Chapter has been recognized for their outstanding achievements and dedication to Chapter members! As a result, this year we have been nominated for "Chapter of the Year"! We will find out in August if we were selected.

Upcoming events

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

Cyber Security: How to Identify Risk & Act

SPEAKERS:

FBI Detroit Cyber Task Force - Keynote Speaker

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

J Wolfgang Goerlich - CBI

Steven Fox - US Treasury

Joe Lykowski, Anthony Mitchell, and Helen Myers - The Dow Chemical Company

Kristopher Curylo - Ally Financial, Inc.

SESSION: 7:15 AM to 5:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION: Bavarian Lodge, Frankenmuth

Early Bird Registration is Open & extended until July 8th

[Register Now!](#)

PMI Thumb Chapter Meeting - October 12, 2016

TOPIC: Community of Flint recovery efforts

SPEAKER: Emily Doerr, Program Manager, Community Economic Development Center

SESSION: 6:00 to 8:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION: Flint Farmers Market - Ramsdell Room, 300 East St, Flint, MI 48502

Registration: Find more details and register online at our [Website](#).

SPOTLIGHT: Cyber Security

A word from PDD Speaker [Stephen Fox](#)

What does Cybersecurity mean to me? Today I see it as a means to reduce the risk associated with business operations. This view is a departure from the perspective I held as a nascent security practitioner. A focus on regulatory compliance and technical controls biased my view of cybersecurity as the realm of technophiles. While this frame served me in technical assessments, it hindered my understanding of the business drivers behind those investments. It was my customer-facing consulting experiences that shattered this bias.

I learned from my consulting customers that the best security programs orchestrate controls in conjunction with value-generating business processes. Thus, a security program must draw as much from the knowledge of business customers as the expertise of technical professionals. This collaborative approach is needed increasingly as business embrace service-based technologies such as Cloud computing. I expect that cybersecurity will integrate with other business functions as we embrace these service platforms. In days to come, there will be no security projects – only business initiatives that mitigate risk through adaptive design.

SPOTLIGHT: Election Results

Announcing the 2016-2017 Election Results

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

Congratulations to the Winners!!

VP of Finance will continue to be Helen Myers.

VP of Membership will continue to be Dave Verbeek.

Anita Kenworthy our current VP of Administration was also selected by Doug, to be our next **President Elect**.

Ed Turley also volunteered to be our **Director of Volunteers**.

SPOTLIGHT: Other Volunteering Opportunities

Adopt a Highway

Ed has really taken to his new role with vigor; he has already worked with the State of Michigan to get our chapter approved to adopt a 1.74 mile stretch of the I-475 highway, from I-75 to Hill Rd. We are now responsible for keeping that area clean, and as such we are looking for volunteers on Saturday July 16th. We need a minimum of 3 people (looking for 6-10) and they must be over the age of 12. Contact [Ed Turley](#) if you would like to volunteer. If you cannot make it out in July you will have another

opportunity on October 1st and three more next year.

PMI Region 4 LIM

This year we selected board members Anita Kenworthy (VP – Administration) and Najla Mamou (Director – Education) to represent us at the Annual PMI Region 4 Leadership Institute Meeting held in June. They were able to bring back some valuable insights & tips that we may be able to implement within our own chapter such as using SMART goals while reviewing our mission statement or how to better target groups and volunteers. There were also inquires made about our chapter and how successful we have been with keeping our board positions filled. For those of you that may not know, Region 4 consists of 24 chapters in the following states: Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Delaware with over 24,000 members.

Things You May Have Missed

Past Meetings

May 11, 2016: [Annual Business Meeting](#) - a review of PMI-MTC chapter highlights and statistics for 2015/2016 with Doug Kiracofe, PMI-MTC Chapter President. Doug covered the overall health and status of the chapter over the last year with comparisons to prior years and how we've grown. Doug also announced that our chapter is currently under consideration for "Chapter of the Year" by PMI Region 4. We were also treated to an overview of the Tableau reporting tool utilizing our very own website information, a great many thanks go out to Stephanie Hawkins our Website Director.

SAVE THE DATE: 2016 PDD

2016 MTC Professional Development Day - 8 PDUs

Cyber Security: How to Identify Risk & Act

September 26, 2016

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