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Upcoming Chapter Events:

July 13th - Adopt A Highway - Summer Edition

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Connect With Us :

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



Tuesday, July 10th, 2019

The Thumbprint - Quarterly

2019 Quarter 3

Message from the President - Anita Kenworthy

Greetings from the President!

Our members are very important to the growth and sustainability of this In fact, this chapter was recognized for Member Retention amongst the Region 4 chapters. Based on 2018 survey results, 2018 Member Retention was 80.79%.

Welcome to our new VP officers recently elected, Linda Lesage and Dana to the Michigan Thumb Chapter board. We are all very busy with plans and topics that you are interested in to promote Program and Project Management.

With the annual PDD (Professional Development Day) now scheduled for September 16, final preparations are well underway. We have an excellent speaker, Ed Hendricks, for an exciting interactive day on 'Leadership Skills that Work'. You can find more about him from his company "Dynamic Developments Education & Training". So, go ahead and sign up on our website and receive 7.5 PDU's at the Bavarian Inn Lodge, Monday, September 16th.

Have an Enjoyable Summer,

Anita Kenworthy, PMP

PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter - President

Welcome Our Newest Members!

Susan Walker
Michael Cherry
Thomas Mulanix
Troy Thelen
Mark Jaros
Timothy Todd
Chase Moergeli
Rachel Wyckstandt
William Curtindale
Rachel Bartlett
Dominic Costa
Kimberly Dolejsi
Brent Dunn
Jeremy Posey

Chapter Discussion Topics

You would like to speak or have any topic suggestions? We'd love to hear what MEMBERS want to See, Hear or Do! If you have an idea email the board (board@pmi-thumbchapter.org)!

Share Your Success and Knowledge

Did you know by sharing your knowledge or experiences this could be considered Giving Back opportunities for PDU credits?

If you would like to write a topic for the newsletter or share a project success story, write up your story, and send to [Director of Newsletter, Sheila Johnroe](#) and we'll see about adding it to the next publication!

Guest Pass

If you are reading this newsletter and not a member of the PMI Thumb Chapter, you can use a guest pass to join the chapter through the remaining time you have as a PMI member. Check out the [website for more](#)

Upcoming Events

[Michigan Adopt a Highway - July 13th, 2019](#)

PMI-MTC was approved by the State of Michigan to participate in the Adopt a program. We are now responsible for 1.74 miles of the I-475 highway from I-7

Our last cleanup gathered *over 47 bags of debris* and many piles of larger waste were a total of (8) individuals who volunteered and helped clean up Michigan! Thank you to those who took time out of their day to support this PMI Thumb sponsored event. With less of a gap between cleanups, July cleanup is not expected to gather as much debris, but none the less, volunteer support is needed.

We meet at 8:30 am for a brief safety meeting then head out. We'll meet at the Hotel at I-475 and Hill Road. Volunteers should email **Ed Turley** first to let him know they are attending. Depending on how many volunteers we have plan on staying 3 days. Due to safety measures, no one under 12 years old is allowed.

Register online: <https://pmi-thumbchapter.org/events/jul-13th-adopt-a-highway>
date scheduled for July 20th.

[More Upcoming PMI Thumb Chapter Meetings](#)

August - CANCELLED at this time - Unfortunately at this time the plan for Whiting Forest have been postponed/canceled due to conflicts in dates. Members are meeting in July to develop more ideas on larger group activities. Hopefully, we'll be able to provide additional ideas or dates to support networking as a group.

2019 MTC Professional Development Day (02019)

TOPIC: Leadership Strategies that work

PDU: 7.5 - Technical

SPEAKER: **Ed Hendricks**, President & CEO of Developments Education & Training

ABSTRACT:

We will be spending the day learning core High Performance Practices that apply to all projects, Agile or Traditional and participating in an interactive High Performance Game with extensive crowd participation. We will be doing a group Case Study discussion (Case Study is the primary story in his book) and a cascading VSPT (Vision, Strategy, Projects, Tasks) Workshop. As well as meeting new people and eating good food.

Price: \$275 - \$325.00 (member, non member pricing)

Location: [Bavarian Inn Lodge](#)

[Register \(Individual\) - cut off 9/13](#)



[details](#) or contact VP of Membership, [Dave Verbeek](#).

PMI Thumb Chapter Oct Dinner Meeting - 10/09/2019

TOPIC: Creating Project Leadership Culture Based on PMP Best P

PDU: 1 - TBD

SPEAKER: Richard Broo, President of True North PMP Consulting, I

Meeting Location: Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Restaurant, 713 S. M Frankenmuth, MI 48734

Dinner and Presentation: 6:00 - 8:00 PM, Speaker Presentation begin at

[Register \(Individual\)](#)

PMI Thumb Chapter Nov Dinner Meeting - 11/13/2019

TOPIC: Project Performance with Kanban

PDU: 1 -Technical

SPEAKER: Karen Strichartz, PMP, PMI-ACP, ITIL-F, CPIM, DXC HP Enterprise)

ABSTRACT:

Kanban has its roots several decades back in the manufacturing industry. Over the years Kanban has become a universally recognized performance improvement method across all business types. What does Kanban offer to project managers? Plenty! Our projects often bog down due to scope volatility, resource constraints, unfeasible deadlines, and quality issues. This presentation starts with an overview of Kanban concepts and principles and then relates the use of Kanban to project challenges. A case study highlighting performance improvement is included in the presentation.

BIOGRAPHY:

Karen has over thirty years' experience leading information technology projects in a wide variety of industries. During her career, she has served in customer support, sales, management, and consulting roles. Karen's current role is PMO Process Manager at DXC Technology. Karen has B.G.S. and M.B.A degrees from the University of Michigan. She has earned the PMP and



PMI-ACP certifications from PMI, the CPIM certification from APICS and the ITIL Foundations v2 certification.

Meeting Location: Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Restaurant, 713 S. M Frankenmuth, MI 48734

Dinner and Presentation: 6:00 - 8:00 PM, Speaker Presentation begin at

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Things You May Have Missed

May Meeting

In May, the chapter approved new bylaws! This was a long overdue endeavor needed to align the bylaws with PMI Institute requirements. Copies of the bylaws have been emailed to each active member.

We are pleased to announce our new VP of Administration, David Ritter & new Professional Development, Linda LeSage. Both positions have a two-and-a-half year term due to the changes in the newly approved bylaws and provide the future opportunity to be nominated as President of the Chapter.

And finally, we can't say enough thanks and words of appreciation to Jim Don Annette Blegen who have filled these positions plus volunteered in many other ways over the years! Both Jim and Annette have proven leadership and their support for the chapter did not go unnoticed.

Chapter Opportunities

Volunteering

There is an *immediate need for a Director of Marketing*. This position has recently been opened, and is in dire need of someone who enjoys social media outlets and has experience in the field of marketing. If there is any interest in this position, please email Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org for additional position requirements.

2019-2021 PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter Board

Have you been looking for ways to **give back** and **stay involved** with the PM Thumb Chapter? Maybe you have some great ideas for our chapter. Later this year, the PMI MI Chapter Election Committee will be looking for a few good people to run in this election. Please consider running for a board position and helping run the PM Thumb Chapter. Keep an eye on these great opportunities coming up or let the board have any interest in volunteering in this capacity. Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org

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