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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!!



09/29/2019

# The Thumbprint - Quarterly

**2019 Quarter 4**

## Message from the President - Anita Kenworthy

### *Greetings from the President!*

For those of you who were able to attend the Professional Development Day (PDD) on September 16<sup>th</sup>, the speaker, Ed Hendricks, provided a lot of information on how to enable teams based on the "Life Cycle of Growth". Team exercises reinforced concepts which Ed Hendricks presented to those who came. So, mark your calendar now...the next PDD will be on September 21, 2020.

As we all start preparing for the cooler weather, it is good to reflect on all the growth in the direction this chapter is growing. Please keep in mind that the volunteers serving on the Michigan Thumb chapter board are here to represent you. So, do reach out and contact the Board for ideas, topics, or assistance as we are all getting ready for the new year starting in 2020.

PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter Mission

"To embrace various state-of-the-art approaches to project management in order to promote and share the most useful and relevant techniques, procedures and practices regarding how project management can enhance project performance."

### **PMI's 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!**

In honor of PMI's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the November 13<sup>th</sup> chapter meeting is "me appreciation" meeting! Reduced cost to attend is set at **\$5!** Be sure to register!

Wishing all of you the best!

Anita Kenworthy, PMP

PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter - President

## Welcome Our Newest Members!

Brenda Coleman  
Jeffry Griffith  
Todd Graham  
Karin Mayer  
Shannon Vasko  
Marcie Long

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

### \*Accomplishments\*

Congratulations Kevin Steele on obtaining your Scrum Master certification!

## Chapter Opportunities

### 2020-2022 PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter Board

### Three Board Positions Open for Electio

Please consider volunteering to run for one of these positions—send **NO LATER THAN 10/20/2019** to [vpadministration@pmi-thumcha](mailto:vpadministration@pmi-thumcha) [David Ritter] or contact any board member if you are interested [BcThumbChapter.org](http://BcThumbChapter.org).

**Vice President Finance:** Responsible for maintaining and present financial records required for chapter operations in accordance with and bylaws; oversees the management of funds for authorized purp PMI Michigan Thumb Chapter.

**Vice President of Membership:** Responsible for addressing the n chapter membership, including membership recruitment, retention, associated value delivery in accordance with chapter policies and by

**President Elect:** Successor to the President; assists the president her duties of managing the chapter.

*In addition to monthly virtual meetings and dinner meetings, severa volunteer commitment are expected for each of these board positio each hour of volunteer work as a board member, one (1) PDU can b via PMI's CCR (Continuation Certification Requirements) program.*

### Director Opportunities

There is an *immediate need for a Director of Marketing*. This position is in dire someone who enjoys social media outlets and other forms of marketing. If the interest in this position, please email [Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org](mailto:Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org) for addil position requirements.

There is an *immediate need for a Director of Education*. This position has receer and will work with Vice President of Professional Development, Linda LeSage any interest in this position, please email [Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org](mailto:Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org) for : position requirements.

## Upcoming Events

### PMI Thumb Chapter Meeting - 10/09/2019

**TOPIC:** Creating Project Leadership Culture Based on PMP Best P

**PDU:** 1 - Leadership

**SPEAKER:** Richard Broo, President of True North PMP Consulting, ]

**ABSTRACT:**

This will highlight issues caused by leadership that hinders a project manager's performance, how to avoid them, and best practices a PM can use to educate leadership about effective project management.

Company leadership can hinder the success of a project by failing to do diligence prior to project initiation and/or changing baseline priorities vis-a-vis to project scope, time and cost once a project has launched. It is the project manager's responsibility to mitigate this risk up-front in a project by educating company leadership on what constitutes a solid project charter and project management plan.

Come learn some basic tools that could help avoid "management creep" on your project.

#### **BIOGRAPHY:**

Richard Broo, MBA, PMP is the President and Founder of True North PMP Consulting Incorporated. He has been actively involved in the plastics and composites raw materials industry for over 40 years in leadership roles involving, sales, marketing, new product development and operations. He has been president of two plastics companies prior to starting True North PMP Consulting, a company dedicated to teaching the best practices utilized in professional project management, as well as, providing contracted project management services to companies in need of project management expertise. He earned a Masters of Business Administration degree from Walsh College and a Bachelors of Arts degree from Western Maryland College.



He has 40 years of presenting to C-Level executives and clients for companies such as General Electric Plastics, Black & Decker, and Owens Corning Corporation, as well as running his own business.

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

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

Location: [Bavarian Inn Restaurant](#)

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

**TOPIC:** Project Performance with Kanban

**PDU:** 1 -Technical & .5 Strategic

**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 bottlenecks, 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

**PMI's 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION for \$5.00!**

## **PMI Thumb Chapter Jan Dinner Meeting - 01/15/2020**

**TOPIC:** Personal Branding

**PDU:** 1 - Strategic

**SPEAKER:** Orletta Caldwell, Co-Founder of Sharenomy & Owner/Consultant for Existing Enterprises

**ABSTRACT:** Personal Branding is the practice of people marketing themselves and their careers as **brands**. Personal branding is important when looking for a job, starting a business or changing a career. This presentation provides a strategy to help develop a personal brand. Participants will learn the importance of developing "Me, Inc." by how to develop their Mission and Vision, networking and developing marketing strategies.

**BIOGRAPHY:**

Orletta Caldwell is a passionate and well-qualified educator and nonprofit management specialist. Caldwell brings more than 30 years of administrative leadership experience to the position of Learning Center Coordinator for Workforce Opportunity Services and Coalition Builder for the Michigan Center for Responsible Lending. Highlights of a stellar and diverse career include Executive Director, Camp Baber and Assistant Professor at Grand Rapids Community College. She has served in many professional and volunteer capacities including the Community Development Advocates of Detroit (CDAD), Metro Detroit Council of Christian Churches, Urban Renewal Commission for the city of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Board Member/Secretary, Association of Gospel Rescue Missions and the Southfield Downtown Development Authority for Southfield, Michigan. She earned her Bachelor's in Public Affairs from Wayne State University, Masters of Science in Management from Cardinal Stritch and is completing her Ph.D. in Public Policy & Administration specializing in Nonprofit Management from Walden University.



**Meeting Location:** Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Restaurant, 713 S. Main Street Frankenmuth, MI 48734

**Dinner and Presentation:** 6:00 - 8:00 PM, Speaker Presentation begins at 6:00 PM, Networking starts at 5:30 PM

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## Things You May Have Missed

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PMI Thumb Chapters 2019 PDD event had 24 professionals in attendance with laughter and development gained! Our presenter, Ed Hendricks from Dynamic Developments, was a wonderful and capturing speaker who helped the group learn leadership techniques and brought attention to how each interpersonal style affects how we behave or interact with one another. Breaking out into small interpersonal groups, we were able to share excitement and additional development with this very hands-on approach. Each attendee came home with gifts from Ed and one of our sponsors, Frankenmuth Insurance. The survey feedback provided the board with positive feedback and insight into ideas for next year!

### **A big thank you to our PDD sponsors Frankenmuth Insurance and**

Thank you to the three volunteers who assisted in the September's Adopt-A-Highway clean up efforts. Keeping our Michigan highways clean and safe is a top priority and your support to the state is greatly appreciated. For additional volunteer opportunities, contact Ed Turley through the email: [Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org](mailto:Board@PMI-ThumbChapter.org).

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