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THE CHAIR'S COLUMN

Many of you may not realize that our 20th anniversary will occur in October. And I would suggest that even fewer of you know the story of the founding of our chapter.

Our PMI-OC Fellows include **Ed Walker, PMP; John Bing; Quentin Fleming; Marty Wartenberg; Frank Reynolds; Julie Wilson, PMP; Janice Preston, PMP; Dave Jacob; Kathy Sharman Melgar; Cyndi Snyder Stackpole, PMP; Adrienne Keane, PMP; and Kristine Hayes Munson, PMP.** Twenty years ago, several of these members were travelling to Los Angeles every month to attend the PMI-LA dinner meetings. It was on one of the nights when they were returning home that they decided to form a chapter in Orange County.

You have to admire their vision and fortitude as they saw the potential for an Orange County chapter to complement the large membership base of the Los Angeles chapter. They realized that there was a challenge in front of them as they met to establish a chapter, with all the steps that they would have to go through. (See related story on page 9.)

Of course, we started small, and there was some concern that we would never get this off the ground. We were competing against an established chapter with known programs and resources. But, we had advantages as well. Orange County is more compact than Los Angeles, and we have similar industries, although a somewhat smaller population. This made us more accessible to a very defined population and more able to focus the offerings.

Now, 20 years later we have eclipsed the Los Angeles chapter. We have more members and more PMPs. We also have a robust set of programs with our special speakers, advanced topic seminars, PMP® preparatory classes, and dinner meetings. And, we are planning to expand these programs in the very near future.

We need to look back on all the boards of directors and thank them for their dedicated service that made PMI-OC one of the strongest chapters in PMI® Region 7 and in PMI overall. We may not be the largest, but we are certainly one of the most robust and growing chapters, especially in Region 7 (California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, and Hawaii). Certainly, our last board contributed greatly to this excellence with the outstanding continuing programs it provided.

Recently, it was my pleasure to present **Victoria Flanagan** with a crystal vase engraved to recognize not only her year as chair, but also her six years on the board of directors, serving as vice president of corporate relations, director at large, and chair-elect. Victoria continued the long tradition of service that has become synonymous with PMI-OC, and we cannot thank her enough for her volunteer efforts.

It is important to realize that we have many more volunteers who rightfully deserve recognition. We are currently looking at the volunteer of the year nominations. If you feel that you have a candidate whom the board should consider for this prestigious award, please forward your name to a board member who will be responsible for following up with the written nomination. We do want to make sure that we do not overlook anyone in the process. Even though we have a volunteer of the year designate, we also have other special recognitions available.



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Volunteer OF THE MONTH

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Volunteer Opportunities

D'Shone Swiney

It did not take D'Shone very long to jump into action after joining the PMI-Orange County Chapter in 2008. She attended a PMI-OC Orientation Meeting and heard of a new volunteer position, programs communication coordinator, and signed up on the spot. D'Shone started working to improve communication between the program, marketing, membership, and IT teams. She worked with the various teams to create and document a process for disseminating information about events throughout the organization to ensure accurate and timely information flow among the different groups.

Volunteering is not new to D'Shone. She was a youth group leader for approximately ten years, a tutor for inner city youth for five years, worked with the United Way on various volunteer projects for over five years, and completed a half marathon to raise money and awareness for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. She finds that giving back to the community is very rewarding.

Currently, she has a project management contract with a bank in Dallas, which requires her to travel between Texas and California. Her team is busy developing a new loan servicing division for the bank. And, she has an extensive background as

a trainer and training manager. In addition, she is taking the PMI-OC PMP® Prep Workshop on the weekends and has volunteered as the student class coordinator. She plans to take the PMP exam soon after the class concludes.

D'Shone likes volunteering because "It makes me feel like I am leaving something positive behind so that others can receive the same benefits that I have been blessed with." She enjoys her involvement with our chapter. "From the very beginning, I have been welcomed and surrounded with positive attitudes and people reaching out to me to offer guidance, advice, and friendship. I thought I would be made to feel inferior because I did not have my PMP, but instead, I was made to feel like part of a very close family. I am amazed at the generosity, respect, and affinity that's been shared with me by the members of PMI-OC. I am very proud to be a part of such a great community."

And, D'Shone, we appreciate your hard work and dedication to the chapter. Congratulations and thank you.

Beth Williams, PMP
Volunteer Coordinator

Lori Shapiro, PMP
Marketing Director

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We also need to recognize the chapter on its 20th anniversary. Our programs director, **Derek Barazza, PMP** is currently planning a special dinner meeting for September where we will commemorate the history and future of our chapter. Hopefully, we will have as many past board members at the meeting as possible, other key volunteers, and representatives from PMI Global.

I encourage all of you to block out this meeting as a special celebration of the growth, success, and future of our chapter as we move forward toward our 25th year celebration.

A few weeks ago I attended the advanced topic seminar presented by **Mike Graupner, PMP** and **Dr. Daryl Watkins, PMP** on the topic of project management and leadership. While we were not able to complete the presentation, **Judith Berman, PMP** was sufficiently agile to reschedule the March ATS to cover the second half of the presentation. The session is structured so that attending the first seminar is not mandatory, and the subject matter and presenters are excellent. It is a program that is both important and immediately beneficial to the attendees. I encourage you to participate if at all possible.

Sylvan Finestone, PMP, Chair/President

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IT Volunteer

Design web pages, including graphics, animation, and functionality. Ensure consistency of web pages with approved style guide. In cooperation with content management, translate and implement content concepts. Advise IT director on website issues and improvements. Coordinate with Affiniscape for website support. Manage e-mail set-ups and address books.

Marketing Director: marketing@pmi-oc.org

Advertising/Sponsor Team Member

Need volunteers to contact potential advertisers and sponsors for *Milestones*, website, and other event sponsorships. Volunteers would send e-mail blasts, write letters, and make phone calls to potential and existing sponsors.

Milestones Contributors

Write 300, 500, or 1,000 word reviews of attended chapter events for *Milestones*. Clear and concise writing styles are required.

Marketing Website Page Design

Need a volunteer with experience in website page layout, using an existing website style guide. Dreamweaver and/or HTML knowledge and experience required. Ability to resize and color correct photos for the web using Photoshop, or other photo editing software. A third party content management system (CMS) will be used to lay out the pages. CMS training will be provided by the IT team.

Website Content Reviewer

Need a volunteer to examine the website pages each week for consistent messaging, pricing, and conformity to our style guide standards. Report typos, formatting problems, and other issues to responsible page owners (i.e., marketing, membership, etc.). The PMI-OC website is a valuable marketing tool, and accuracy and consistency are important.

Programs Director: programs@pmi-oc.org

Technology Coordinator

The programs team is looking for an audio visual technician to set up, store, and maintain PMI-OC equipment; including laptop, overhead projector, and sound equipment. Time commitment is four to five hours monthly, including setup and breakdown at meetings.

PowerPoint Coordinator

The programs team is looking for someone to create the PowerPoint presentations for the dinner meetings. You will be showing the presentation in addition to coordinating any other PowerPoint presentations from guest speakers, vendors, etc. Time commitment is six to seven hours monthly, including presence at the dinner meetings for the full duration.

NEW MEMBERS

Lita Acosta
Sanjay Agarwal
Shirin Alipanah
John Allwood
John L.C. Bachofer
Frances Bai
Sharlane Bailey
Alicia Bogardus
Edward Bohn
Mitra Boyd
Brodie Brickey
Jacinto Busquets
Rajni Chawla
Ernest Duncan
Thomas Edelblute
Dan Edwards
Scott Fernandes
Erika Flora
Martin Fogel
Mary Froissard
Cara Gallegos
Rey Genaldo
Ketankumar Gohil
Mark Grant
Juan Guerrero
Anil Gursahani
Charles Gustin
Linda Hansen
Dianne Harwell
Cheryl Hayes
Benedict Jiou
John King
Kyle Knobloch
Pramod Kommarreddy
Kari Kraus
Nathan Le
Jose Macias
Venkatesh Malini
Rama Malladi
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Michae McSweeney
Jacinta Mudd
Russell Myers
Sava Nedic
Bradley Oatman
Tamara Ocean
Michelle Palmer-Hamilton

Srinivas Panganamamula
Emma Piacentini
Srinivas Rani
Sang Rhee
Lynn Riperti
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Fortunato Strumbo
Mark Tang
Barbara Thurston
Paul Tofanelli
Lynn Van Bach
Kevin Watson
Qiong Xu
Bhuvanewara Yakasiri
Valori Zaffino

NEW PMPs

Mark Cook
Mary Froissard
David Howard
Harvey Kertland
Farid Mohabbat
Tamara Ocean
Gunjan Sharman
Teresa White
Andrew Yuen



Member Spotlight

Chuck Messall, a PMI-OC member for five years, is our spotlight member this month. Chuck is a long-time resident of Southern California after having lived in many parts of the United States, as well as internationally. Chuck currently works as a program manager for SafeNet Mykotronx in Torrance. The company offers many types of security encryption equipment for both commercial and government use.

Chuck was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, in the very same home where his mother was born. Much of Chuck's youth was spent moving from state to state, as well as a period of time in Turkey. You see, his family moved a lot, as his father was in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Chuck learned the art of delegation from his father, and delegation has served him well throughout his career.

Much of Chuck's career has been as an electrical engineer at Rockwell. Chuck also worked for the NSA where he participated in a training session on procurement for technical personnel. Chuck believes this is one of the best training courses he has taken on procurement management. Chuck transitioned into program/project management in 1982 when his employer won several new projects in a short period of time. One of their project managers retired, and Chuck was asked to become the PM on a program where he had led the proposal. "It sounded like fun, like a big chessboard," so he agreed to take it on.

When asked, "What advice would you give someone entering the field of project management?" Chuck responded that it is absolutely necessary for one to maintain their integrity and honesty. As a project or program manager, you need to be willing to make the hard decisions and to be able to clearly communicate bad news, as well as good news, to project teams and stakeholders.

Chuck is proud of his ability to build teams. Creating project teams can be a challenge when working with many individuals who traditionally work on their own. Chuck explained that traditional sole contributors have a lot to contribute to a team (i.e. their experience, ways of thinking, hard-learned lessons), even if they are not comfortable as a mentor. They are often impatient with bureaucracy and administrivia, so minimizing that is one important way to make them more willing to be on a team. They also often have unconventional ways of doing or seeing things. If they really are star performers, there is usually a lot of value in their insights. Learning to be truly appreciative of the fact that their weird way of looking at things may be a major reason they are star performers, helps to integrate them into the team. Maybe it just comes down to being willing to spend a little time getting to know them and treating them as individuals.

Chuck was introduced to PMI® through a friend and colleague, Jerry Strong, who was also a long time member of the PMI-OC. Chuck uses CMMI and the PMBOK® as a framework for developing processes within companies where he has worked.

On the personal side, Chuck enjoys doing the *New York Times* crossword puzzles and reading science fiction and detective novels. He also enjoys playing bridge a few times a week with friends. To play bridge, Chuck says that you must be able to concentrate. To be good, you must be willing to plan, focus, and prioritize throughout several hands; it's not easy to maintain that high level of concentration throughout the series of games played in a single sitting.

Take a moment to say hello to Chuck at the next dinner meeting. He has some good stories about traveling through Morocco or can even give you some tips on how to play bridge.

Celeste C. Collins, PMP

MANAGING CHANGE IN A FLEXIBLE WORLD

February Dinner Meeting Review

Steven Mauss, (left), president and chief operating officer of Knowledge Relay, LLC, presented the February dinner meeting topic, “Managing Change in a Flexible World,” along with **Robert Liego**, (right) a project manager at Knowledge Relay specializing in change management.



Knowledge Relay is an operational business intelligence solutions provider, offering both products and services that help enterprises save time and money by increasing efficiency and effectiveness of business information gathering and visualization. They bring a unique “source-show-share” approach to data source neutral migration and distribution. Both Steven and Robert have participated in major IT change initiatives at large companies and use the experience they have gleaned over the years to help guide major organizations through comprehensive and effective change.

Knowledge Relay’s philosophy is that change is a good thing. When done well, change makes organizations stronger, not weaker. Steven stated that companies make major changes every three to five years. He then quoted Peter F. Drucker. “Everybody has accepted by now that change is unavoidable. But that still implies that change is like death and taxes; it should be postponed as long as possible, and no change would be vastly preferable. But in a period of upheaval, such as the one we are living in, change is the norm.”

Steven then challenged the audience with the fact that to implement effective change on any project, or in any organization, project managers must operate in both transactional (traditional) AND transformational (visionary) modes. He then credited Peter F. Drucker again, with the statement, “Company cultures are like country cultures. Never try to change one. Try, instead, to work with what you’ve got.”

Robert Liego discussed change management. Change management is an ongoing challenge. Several change management models address different aspects of change. Most theories focus on the organizational or executive level. Managing change is not a new concept. Nicolò di Bernardo Machiavelli wrote centuries ago, “There’s nothing more difficult to take in hand, more perilous to conduct, or more uncertain in its success than to take the lead in the introduction of a new order of things.”

Robert introduced two theories developed by Harvard Business School professors Michael Beer and Nitrin Nohria. “Theory E” focuses on change in terms of near-term economic improvement, and “Theory O” focuses on improvement in organizational capabilities.

Robert showed how combining concepts from “Theory E” and “Theory O” can produce a more effective change program than

using only one change theory. For example, “Theory E” would manage change from the top down, and “Theory O” would encourage participation from the bottom up. A combined and more effective approach would be to set direction from the top, while encouraging people below to participate.

John P. Kotter created an eight step change model:

1. Create urgency.
2. Form a powerful coalition.
3. Create a vision for change.
4. Communicate the vision.
5. Remove obstacles.
6. Create short term wins.
7. Build on the change.
8. Anchor the changes in corporate culture.

Steven and Robert then went over some examples of how project managers acting as transactional leaders differ from executives acting as transformational leaders.

Project Managers (transactional leaders)

Executive Managers (transformational leaders)

Are goal and strategy oriented	Are visionary and mission oriented
Bargain or contract for the exchange of effort/output for rewards to motivate	Use inspiration, charisma, and inherent excitement of the vision to motivate others
Stress and value rationality, limiting options and choices, problem solving	Are individually and developmentally oriented
Are day-to-day and operationally oriented	Look at problems in new ways
Accent established norms, values, cultures and beliefs	Stress and value intellectual ability problem exploration, experimentation
Are risk controllers	Are future and change oriented
	Question existing cultures, norms, values, and beliefs
	Are risk takers

A purely transactional management style makes it difficult to focus on the most costly, unpredictable and recalcitrant element of change: the human element. Michael Beer offers this six step process to effective, collaborative change management:

1. Commit to mobilization of change by means of joint diagnosis.
2. Develop a shared vision for organization.
3. Draw consensus, competence, and commitment to a shared vision.

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4. Inform everyone about changes.
5. Establish formal policies to institutionalize the change.
6. Monitor and adjust change if necessary.

Steven and Robert suggested that we identify strengths and weaknesses of stakeholders and address them up front in our plan. These evaluations are best done on a collaborative basis between the functional manager and the project manager.

Change management is about continuous improvement. Collaboratively evaluate ALL resources (human and otherwise). Evaluate and change how we collect, analyze, and distribute granular data for all resources, taking into account the human barriers to change.

The goal is to find a new way to implement, monitor, and measure change at the transactional level where it is easier to make changes, while operating on the transformational level (where it is often the most difficult to implement).

In summary, we'd like to thank Steven Mauss and Robert Liego of Knowledge Relay for showing us that change is a good thing, but it has to be managed properly, and that by combining aspects of various change management approaches, a more "holistic" solution can be achieved.

Steven and Robert described effective change leadership as best achieved by combining transactional and transformational methods. They reminded us that the human element must be considered, and continuous improvement is the goal we are all working toward.

Patty Tutor, PMP

Test your knowledge on these sample questions.

1. As a project manager in a fairly immature project environment, you performed a WBS exercise with the project team, but could not gain consensus on all the deliverables beyond the first 60 days of the project. You should:
 - a. Start work on the well-defined areas and push off discussions of the undefined areas until a subsequent phase of the project.
 - b. Reschedule a meeting to work through those discrepancies as soon as possible.
 - c. Go back to the sponsor to see if you can get an extension on the project schedule.
 - d. Start work on the areas that are defined, but wait until further clarification is provided by the customer or the team, and then revisit the WBS at an agreed upon point in the future.
2. In order to enhance planning and managing work on the project:
 - a. Produce a WBS at the highest level.
 - b. Lower levels of decomposition would be necessary.
 - c. Implement a work authorization system.
 - d. Making planning meetings open to everyone who has an interest.
3. Sample testing of a population should be used when testing the entire population would:
 - a. Be too expensive.
 - b. Take too many inspectors.
 - c. Show too many defects.
 - d. Be mutually exclusive.
4. A tool and technique of schedule control is:
 - a. The schedule management plan.
 - b. Progress reporting
 - c. Design of experiments.
 - d. Performance measurements.

Answers are on page 7.

Sample exam questions submitted by:
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Each year, PMI-OC sponsors a **\$1,000 Charles Lopinsky Memorial Scholarship**, which is awarded through the PMI® Educational Foundation. This scholarship is open to students who are Orange County residents and are pursuing a degree in project management.

The annual scholarship is given in memory of **Charles Lopinsky, PMP, PMI Fellow**. Charlie left behind a legacy of service to PMI. Joining PMI in 1971, he was an active volunteer with both the PMI-OC and PMI-LA chapters, as well as with the institute itself.

Competitive scholarships are based on merit, as measured by academic performance, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

June 1, 2009 is the application deadline for this scholarship.

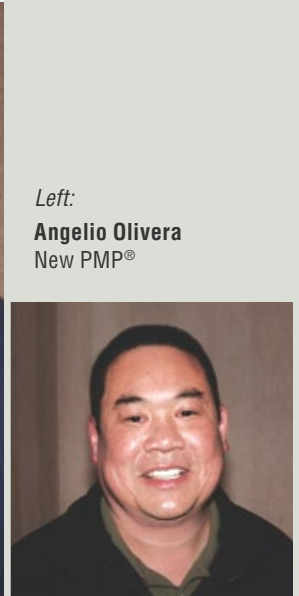
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<http://www.pmi.org/pmief/scholarship/scholarship-lopinsky.asp>

PMBOK® Fourth Edition

The fourth edition of *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK®)* is available now.

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At the February Dinner Meeting



Above:
Emma Piacentini, PMP
 New member
 First time attendee

Above:
Sima Sharma
 New member
 First time attendee

Above:
Alex Polishchuk
 New member
 First time attendee
Susan Gray

Cara Gallegos
 New member
 First time attendee

Chau Tran
 New member
 First time attendee

Left:
Angelio Olivera
 New PMP®

Above:
Michael Lim, PMP
 From PMI Los Angeles
 Chapter

Below:
 Networking and socializing
 before the meeting



Photos on pages 2, 5, and 7 by **Greg Savage, PMP**

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1. d. PMI® does not require that all the detail of the project be definable early on. The process of progressive elaboration and iterations is expected throughout the project life.
PMBOK® Guide 2004, Chapter 5, Section 5.3.2.2
2. b. Lower levels of decomposition would be necessary.
PMBOK® Guide 2004, Chapter 5, Section 5.3.2.2
3. a. Be too expensive.
PMBOK® Guide 2004, Chapter 9, Section 8.2.2.8
4. b. Progress reporting.
PMBOK® Guide 2004, Chapter 6, Section 6.6.2



FEBRUARY 7 ADVANCED TOPIC SEMINAR REVIEW

Project Management and Leadership

On February 7, **Mike Graupner, PMP** (left) and **Dr. Daryl Watkins, PMP** (right) conducted a seminar titled “**Project Management and Leadership: Understanding the Differences.**”

Mike started the session by conducting an exercise. He asked the audience to stand up, turn around to face the back wall, and to repeat aloud whatever he said to them. He then told them that such blind obedience proved that “people want to follow a leader.” Not everyone agreed; one participant argued that Mike’s role as the seminar leader gave him power over the attendees, who were willing to follow his instructions.

Mike discussed the relationship between project management and leadership. He said project management focuses on tools and techniques for planning and execution, while leadership involves influencing people around you, as the project manager, to accomplish the goals of the project. Furthermore, he said that leadership gives you the ability to implement change without absolute authority.

During the seminar, presenters **Mike Graupner** and **Daryl Watkins** divided the audience into several groups of five. Each of these small groups elected a leader, discussed a topic, and reported their consensual views to the presenters and the audience. The groups first discussed and reported the relationship of leadership to project management. One common theme was that a project manager acts as leader and as manager at different times. Another theme was that as leader, a project manager is concerned with the effectiveness of his actions and decisions, while as manager, he focuses on efficiency in pursuing the project’s goals.

Daryl led the audience in defining leadership. Several differing definitions were suggested, from dictionary definitions to those given by known authors on leadership. Most defined leadership in terms of the leader, his or her traits, and some in common leadership theories. Daryl believes leadership is an environment in which a leader and followers exist. He also thinks a project manager is like a coin with two sides. One side is leader, and the other side is manager.

The personal traits of a leader, mentioned by the groups of five, are integrity, justice, dependability, decisiveness, courage, knowledge, initiative, and judgment. The presenters listed the eight most common leadership theories as “great man,” trait, contingency, situational, behavioral, participative, management, and relationship. Although not mentioned in the seminar, the concept of transformative leadership has recently gained popularity.

In a second exercise, each group was asked to define and recall a situation where a lie by a project manager was justified. Five groups reported one or two situations in which they could justify a lie by a project manager. Only one group reported a dissension in their majority view of a justified lie. Whatever happened to the leader trait of integrity and the PMI-OC pledge of ethical conduct? Can a lie ever be justified?

Mike and Daryl summarized the requirements for leadership as vision, movement, communication, influence, and followers. In addition, to be successful in project management, a leader must have a compelling vision, trust, and knowledge. A successful project manager must also be a good listener and be able to hear the experiences of his people.

Mike and Daryl concluded the seminar by discussing SWOT analysis. SWOT is an acronym for strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats. The pair urged the audience to complete an individualized SWOT worksheet and mind map. They encouraged them to journal for one month how they are stepping up as a leader purposefully, not just reactively. The presenters and the audience were so enthralled with the subject that they agreed to continue the discussion and presentation into next month as Advanced Topic Seminar: Project Management and Leadership, Part 2. (See page 14.)

Mike Graupner is a project manager at Prescriptions Solution in Costa Mesa. Dr. Daryl Watkins is operations manager at VESystems, Transportation Corridor Services. Daryl has a Doctor of Management in Organizational Leadership degree from the University of Phoenix.

Dr. Dar Manarang, PMP

Photos by Louie Chanco, PMP



Focus on Kathy Sharman Melgar



This month, our focus on PMI-OC founders leads us to **Kathy Sharman Melgar**, a true pioneer of our chapter.

It was Kathy's project at Pacific Mutual (now Pacific Life) that inspired the founding of PMI-OC. As a corporate project consultant, her role at Pacific Mutual was to create corporate level project standards, consult with project sponsors and project managers on best practices, and to monitor and advise the president on critical project progress.

Although the term "project office" was not yet in use, Kathy's role was similar. Since the area of project management was so new, she admitted feeling "in over her head" at first. A co-worker attending a class at UCI had heard about PMI's chapter in Los Angeles, and Kathy thought that attending a meeting of PMI-LA would help her gather the information she needed about this uncharted territory. She called co-worker **Julie Wilson**, and both headed to Los Angeles for their first PMI® meeting.

The meeting was held in El Segundo, with most of the members from Department of Defense companies, and few people recognized the need for IT project management within a financial institution. Fortunately, Kathy sat next to **John Bing** at this initial meeting. After chatting with John and a few other members, Kathy discovered that several of them were traveling from Orange County. The idea of forming a local chapter with fresh ideas was born, and Kathy contacted the PMI Regional Director to start a new chapter. Although six months pregnant at the time, Kathy began to put together a "telephone tree" of people who might be interested in an Orange County chapter. Kathy, John, Julie, Frank Reynolds, and others soon came up with an impressive list.

In its first and second years of existence, PMI-OC was selected as PMI Chapter of the Year! Kathy served as editor of *Milestones* for two years and as sponsor/president before the organization was chartered. She was the chapter's first president in 1989, and she was also asked to be a PMI trustee many years later. Kathy was named a PMI-OC Fellow, the chapter's highest honor, in 2007.

At Pacific Mutual, Kathy conducted a study of project management within the organization which revealed skill gaps. She then launched a program to train executives, business managers, and project managers in project management techniques and developed a guide for project sponsors. However, shortly after forming PMI-OC, the company president, who was the chief advocate of the project management initiative, retired, and Kathy changed jobs. Pacific Life later created a formal PMO.

Kathy explains that the concept of project management was used in many industries 20 years ago, but project management was not yet recognized as a career. These early days were the beginnings of today's project management environment, where PMP® certification is generally expected for employment as a project manager. Kathy believes that "PMI is a primary reason that project management is a profession." The greatest values of joining PMI-OC, according to Kathy, are available case studies for reference and learning, *Milestones* publications, speakers and presentations about specific projects and concepts, and the best value of all... networking. Thinking of her now grown daughter, with whom she was pregnant when founding our chapter, Kathy sums up her feelings by saying, "I can't believe it's been 20 years."

Vinita Jha

April 22, 2009

PMI-OC Orientation Meeting

Welcome

to Project Management Institute-Orange County Chapter, Inc.

You have taken the first step toward managing your professional career network and developing relationships with local, knowledgeable project managers and like-minded professionals. You are invited to join the PMI-OC Orientation Meeting.

Meet the PMI-OC Board of Directors, your fellow members, and volunteers. We will present the value added benefits, professional development opportunities, and programs that PMI-OC offers to its members. The number one benefit of your membership in PMI-OC is the vast pool of individuals to network with.

When:

Wednesday, April 22, 2009

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Registration will begin and food will be served at 6:00 p.m.

Program starts at 6:30 p.m.

Where:

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Cost:

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Project Management and Leadership

PART 2 Understanding the Differences Between Leadership and Management

Presented by **Mike Graupner, PMP** and **Dr. Daryl Watkins, PMP**

Much has been written about leadership. This seminar addresses common myths and facts about leadership in a project.

Seminar Objective:

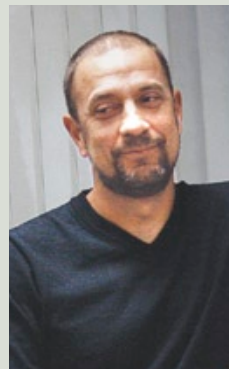
At the conclusion of this seminar, the participant will have a firm understanding of the difference between leadership and management and know how to apply leadership in the day-to-day execution of a project.

These sessions are designed for both the experienced and the emerging leader. We will review leadership theory, traits and principles and how they apply in a project. We will draw a clear line between management and leadership and develop a better understanding of the “whats” and “hows” of leadership.

Attendees should be familiar with core concepts of leadership and be prepared to participate in discussions of their leadership experiences. Participants may also bring a thumb drive if they wish to download the presentation and additional material (approximately 30 MB).

Agenda:

- Review of leadership definition and theories
- Fourteen leadership traits and how to measure them
- Leadership principles and how to apply them
- Leadership self improvement
 - Self assessment
 - Leadership journals
- Developing project specific leadership skills
- Developing leaders on your project team



Where: Keller Graduate School of Management
880 Kilroy Airport Way, Room 227, Long Beach, CA 90806

PDUs: There are four PDUs for this event.

When: Saturday, March 7, 2009, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Cost: In advance: \$45 members, \$50 non-members
At the door: \$60 for both members and non-members

Information: www.pmi-oc.org

Registration: [Click here.](#)

March 7 Advanced Topic Seminar

Mike Graupner and Dr. Daryl Watkins
Project Management and Leadership
Part 2

See column at left.

March 10 Dinner Meeting

Andy Anderson, PMP
Project Management in 2051:
Prepare for the Future
See pages 1 and 15.

April 4 PMP® Exam Prep

Spring session begins, two locations
1. Brea Civic Center
2. University of Phoenix, Costa Mesa
See page 10.

April 4 Advanced Topic Seminar

Adrienne Keane, PMP, PMI-OC Fellow
Creating Positive Project Teams

April 14 Dinner Meeting

John Stenbeck, PMP
The Five Time-Tested Keys of Estimating that Successful Project Managers Can't Live Without!

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April 22 PMI-OC Orientation

See page 9 or [click here to register.](#)

May 2 Advanced Topic Seminar

Mike Graupner, PMP
MS Project, Part 3

May 12 Dinner Meeting

Speaker and topic to be announced.

June 6 Advanced Topic Seminar

Janice Preston, PMP, PMI-OC Fellow
Project Procurement Management

June 9 Dinner Meeting

Speaker and topic to be announced.

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Watch for details.

July 11 Advanced Topic Seminar

Diane Altwies, PMP
Business Analysis Essentials for PMs

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PMI-OC Dinner Meeting

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Program: **Project Management in 2051: Prepare for the Future**
Andy Anderson, PMP

Location: **Wyndham Orange County Hotel**
3350 Avenue of the Arts
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Schedule: 5:30 -9:00 p.m.

Cost: **Dinner and Presentation**

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