

Project Management Institute Tallahassee Chapter



Weekly News

Bi-Weekly Communications Note:

Our next PMITLH Chapter Meeting will be held on Monday, November 9th. This is a change from the previously-announced date of November 2nd.

PMI Global's upcoming LIMS meeting is free to members, as is its November Virtual Experience series; Virtual Experience October and December sessions have been discounted 50%. Check out PMI Global News in this bulletin or on the PMI website for more info.

Elections have begun and close on 10/15. Please look for your email from PMI Global and cast your VOTE!

Thank you, Your PMITLH Communications Team.

vpcomm@pmitlh.org

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PMITLH Website: <https://pmitlh.org/index.php>





Upcoming PMITLH Events

▶ **October 7 - 15, 2020**

Members vote on Board election nominees!

▶ **November 9, 2020**

PMITLH Virtual Chapter Meeting
Announcement of new Board members!
Possible lunch meeting

▶ **December 7, 2020**

PMITLH Virtual Chapter Meeting
TBA



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Please look for your email from PMI Global and cast your vote before 10/15! Don't forget to check you Spam folder. Contact vpcomm@pmitlh.org regarding volunteer or committee positions. THANK YOU!

2020 Elections



- ✓ Vice President of Finance
- ✓ Vice President of Membership
- ✓ Vice President of Professional Development



One candidate each for VP of Finance and Membership –
Two candidates for VP of Professional Development.

Nominee for VP of Finance



Amit Bokey
Finance

I have served the PMITLH chapter as a volunteer of the Finance committee for past few years and had been recently appointed to serve as VP Finance. It is my goal to continue to serve PMITLH chapter and continue to support the organization in my capacity as VP Finance.

Nominee for VP of Membership



Tamara Davis
Membership

I believe that I will be able to contribute more to membership and already have some ideas that could help boost membership.

Nominee for VP of Professional Development



Joanne Gallagher

Now that I am not traveling as much as in my old job, I would like to utilize my professional connections and expand on them too as I become part of our Tallahassee PMI community.

Nominee for VP of Professional Development



Shajil K Kalathil

To help my local chapter has always been my dream. I am now working locally and will be able to devote my time to help PMITLH grow. I have a good network of people both in the private and public sector that I hope to leverage to grow our local chapter

Open Volunteer & Committee Positions



- ✓ Director of Volunteers
- ✓ Marketing Skills
- ✓ Membership Committee
- ✓ Communication Committee
- ✓ Professional Development Committee



PDU Opportunities in the Tallahassee Chapter!!!!

Your Tallahassee PMI chapter is working to add a Blog to the website; you may have noticed it *In Construction*. More coming soon!

PDU Reminders:

- Chapter members – write an article for the blog and submit it to vpcomm@pmitlh.org for consideration for posting. Articles posted can earn you PMI Create Content activity PDUs.
- Chapter members who serve on the Board or on a committee can earn PDUs (hour for hour) for volunteer time through the PMI Volunteer activity,
- Chapter members who speak/present virtually during a chapter meeting can earn PDUs (hour for hour of presentation time) through the PMI Give a Presentation activity,
- General reminder to chapter members that you earn PDUs for attending chapter-organized meetings through the PMI Organization Meetings activity (you can enter the claim code for the specific meeting in the PMI Claim Code section or C287 claim code as described in the "How to Report PDUs" document posted on our website.
- PDUs are subject to audit by PMI. Always remember you can reference the PMI certification requirements at <https://www.pmi.org/-/media/pmi/documents/public/pdf/certifications/ccr-certification-requirements-handbook.pdf>
- If you're retiring (first – CONGRATULATIONS!), you can apply for retired status with PMI and no longer have to submit PDUs. You must have been a certificate holder for 10 years minimum, wish to voluntarily relinquish active status, and no longer earn remuneration for practicing project management. Submit a written request to PMI by email (Certification.CCR@pmi.org) or fax (1 610 239 2257).

Membership Renewals to the Chapter

Important Information Regarding Chapter Membership Auto Renewal Changes:

- Similar to a PMI Membership, when you complete a Chapter Membership purchase, your Chapter Membership will now be automatically opted-in for auto renew,
- Your Chapter Membership will move onto the same cycle as your existing PMI Membership renewal cycle,
- If you wish to opt out of the Chapter auto renewal post-purchase, you must opt out in your myPMI profile. Please be advised that opting out of Chapter Membership auto renew will cancel auto renew for Chapter Membership only. Opting out of auto renew for PMI Membership will cancel auto renew for both your Chapter Membership and PMI Membership.
- If you opt-out of auto renew for your PMI Membership and later return to renew manually, the system should NOT automatically opt you in for auto renew going forward. You will not be required to save your payment details to complete checkout.
- Existing Chapter Memberships and PMI Memberships will continue to auto renew in USD only (until December 2020)
- ***Please note that Student and Retiree PMI Memberships require manual renewal -Auto renew is not an option.**

To prevent a customer from buying a Chapter Membership twice or purchasing a Chapter Membership for an undesired short duration, there are new rules to restrict Chapter Membership purchases and improve the Chapter Membership experience:

- When you attempt to purchase or renew a Chapter Membership you will be restricted from purchasing/renewing a Chapter Membership if you do not hold an active PMI Membership and/or do not have a Membership product in your Cart,
- If you are a PMI Member who is eligible for renewal (i.e. in last 3 months of your current membership), you must have a PMI Membership renewal product in the Cart in order to purchase any Chapter Membership,
- If you purchase a Chapter Membership after purchasing a PMI Membership, its renewal cycle will automatically align to the PMI Membership auto renewal cycle.

PMITLH Board Talk



This week's PMITLH Board message comes from PMITLH Board VP of Finance, Amit Bokey.

As we deal with an unprecedented situation unfolding over the last few months, many of us have been working from home. During these times of remote work, we have been more relaxed, more productive, and perhaps out of the hustle and bustle of our daily grind. To me this has afforded an opportunity to reflect on the strides we have made as humankind with all our liberties, freedoms, conveniences, and gadgetry provided us. We are, perhaps, aware of the people that have made this possible and we owe a debt of gratitude to them. We owe an even more debt of gratitude to those unsung giants on whose previous works these advances have been made possible – be it in the field of human rights, fighting for just causes, protecting freedom, or, in the field of technology. I recently came upon such a story of an unsung hero who has made our current conveniences – Zoom, GoToMeeting, Netflix, etc. – possible, and which I would like to share.

It is well known that Charles K. Kao was awarded the 2009 Nobel Prize in Physics for his discovery in 1966 that led to a breakthrough in fiber optics. His remarkable revelation laid the groundwork for high-speed broadband internet that allows unfathomable volumes of text, image, and video data to be transmitted around the globe in an instant. Prof. Kao's discovery truly revolutionized the way data was transmitted and allowed us to consume such high bandwidth services we have grown so accustomed to in recent times.

But it was nearly 12 years before Prof. Kao's work that a scientist by the name of Narinder Singh Kapany had demonstrated for the first time the transmission of images over a bundle of optic fibers. The term "fiber optics" was coined by Kapany in 1955. Kapany created the essential groundwork for others to follow and thus laid the foundation for the modern lightspeed information highway. His contributions, however, have been recognized by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), which acknowledges him as the inventor of fiber optics. He also made it to the list of Fortune magazines "unsung heroes" whose contributions radically changed the global business landscape. His story is truly remarkable on the profound influence it has had on our current way of life and the possibilities it has opened for us to better ourselves. He is, truly, one of the unsung heroes to whom we owe a lot.

"If I have seen further it is by standing on the shoulders of Giants." – Isaac Newton.

As we celebrate our heroes, let us also pay homage to those unsung ones on whose shoulders we have built our nation and our progress.

Amit Bokey
VP of Finance
PMI Tallahassee - pmitlh.org



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Project Management Institute Tallahassee TIPS

TIPS!

PMI Member Discounts

Did you know there are discounts available to PMI members for things like insurance, technology products, office supplies, car rentals and more?



See discounts for Lenovo, Office Depot, Life Lock, UPS shipping, Avis, Budget, Microsoft, Spectrum Credit Union at

<https://www.pmi.org/membership/discounts/united-states>

PMI Book Sales and Discounts

Effective August 2020, Independent Publishing Group (IPG), PMI's book distributor, will be the sole distributor of PMI Publications and will continue selling books directly via the PMI's publisher page on IPG's online store.

For personal-use purchases (outside of PMI chapter events), all PMI members maintain a 50% discount on the printed, stand-alone PMBOK® Guide – Sixth Edition in all languages and the printed bundle PMBOK® Guide – Sixth Edition and Agile Practice Guide in all languages. You will find this discount code when you log on to PMI.org (PMBOK® Guide page).

Additionally, if you would like to receive free shipping outside of North America, you can purchase these titles from IPG's third-party seller, Eurospan at a 40% discount. As a PMI member, you're also welcome to purchase books at other resellers like Amazon or Barnes & Noble; however, you may only redeem member discount codes at either IPG or Eurospan.

How to Report PDUs!

https://pmitlh.org/images/How_to_report_PDUs.pdf

Project Management Institute NEWS

The PMI Virtual Experience Series is free to PMI members in November, 2020. October and December sessions are 50% off for PMI members!

PMI is waiving the standard \$99/member registration rate for the November monthly instance (and discounting the October/December sessions by 50% - CODE VESVOL) of the PMI series which continues now through December - hosted by journalist, television host, and Executive Producer Tamron Hall. Check out the link below for registration information or if you'd like more info on attending October or December's sessions, as well!

October 20th: Our Global Impact featuring Nobel Peace Laureate, Malala Yousafazi. *PMI Student Members can attend for free. Young professionals can register for \$50.*

November 12th: A Deep Dive in Business Analysis: Drawing a Map to the Future

December 9th: The Future: Forging Our Path Forward

<https://www.pmi.org/virtual-experience-series>

<https://www.pmi.org/events>

PMI's Leadership Institute Meeting (LIM) is free to PMITLH chapter volunteers!

This year's LIM will be a virtual experience and will be held October 17, 2020. The theme will be a VIRTUAL TALENT SHOW; to participate, you can take a quick 45-second video and send it in. If you're a chapter volunteer, or are interested in becoming one, please check out <https://www.pmi.org/lim> for more information and registration links.

Look forward to:

- Sunil Prashara, President and CEO, PMI, and Tony Appleby, PMP, PMI Board Chair will provide highlights and look at the future
- Fellow chapter leaders will be sharing their experiences – ones that you can apply to your own chapter
- The first-ever PMI Talent Show will take place – and we want you to be a part of it!
- Keynote Speaker, Nicole Brandes, will give you tools to thrive during “Business as Unusual”
- Chapter of the Year honorees will be announced
- You can play fun games and enjoy some friendly competition while earning badges
- You can see ALL the sessions; anything you miss on 17 October will be available on-demand

Watch PMI on Military Makeover: Operation Career airing on Lifetime television.

October 16th at 7:30am ET

<https://militarymakeover.tv/>

PMI Customer Care Notice

The PMI Customer Care team is experiencing significantly higher contact volumes due to the dynamic nature and rapidly evolving COVID situation globally. As PMI continues to work to respond to each inquiry and to explore alternative ways for addressing these, PMI has taken the following actions to help decrease the need for members to contact Customer Care.

- PMI is updating its [PMI COVID Update page](#) on an ongoing basis.
- PMI is waiving rescheduling fees for all certification exams until 1 October.
- PMI is automatically extending all candidates' exam eligibility until 18 January 2021.
- PMI has launched its new PMI Beta Bot, a 24/7 chat bot to answer your basic questions. Check it out on the PMI [Contact Us page](#).
- PMI has created the PMI Customer Care Alexa Skill, so members and certification holders can link their PMI.org account to any Amazon Alexa-enabled device to ask Alexa: "What is my member (or certification) since date?" "What is my membership end date?" "When does my certification expire?" "How many PDUs do I have?" [Try it today](#).

PMI requests your patience and support in utilizing its Customer Care contact info to allow quick response to each member and customer. If you have a question specific to chapter operations, please contact your chapter partner.



PMI Agile Certification Journey

The new Agile Certification Journey is a suite of agile-focused certifications, instructor-led and on-demand training workshops, as well as knowledge and community resources designed for practitioners who want to further specialize and differentiate their skills. It incorporates Disciplined Agile offerings into the PMI portfolio of certifications to provide practitioners with options and opportunities to dive deeper into agile approaches, regardless of where they are in their career paths.

For more information about it, visit the [Disciplined Agile tab](#) on the Chapter Update Center and be sure to read the [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

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PMITLH Board:

	President David Davis
	First VP Karen Scott
	VP – Administration Debbie Rivenburg
	VP – Communications Rebecca Green
	VP – Development Tammy Davis
	VP – Finance Amit Bokey
	VP – Membership Sean Gibbs
	VP – Programs Lisa Hopkins



PMI On-Demand Webinar library

<https://www.projectmanagement.com/Webinars/webinarMainOnDemand.cfm>

PREMIUM TEMPLATE library

<https://www.projectmanagement.com/Templates/index.cfm>



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