

## Project Management Institute Tallahassee Chapter



### Weekly News

#### ***Bi-Weekly Communications Note:***

Thank you to Alan Mallory for Monday night's chapter meeting presentation on his family's record-breaking expedition to Mount Everest and its ties to project management – truly amazing!

Save the Date for our next Wellness Wednesday event on April 21<sup>st</sup> from 11:45am – 12:45pm led by Chris Schattinger. Registration is available now.

[Register Here.](#)

Please check out the PMI Tallahassee Chapter News this week for upcoming events, as well as the Other <PMI> Chapter Opportunities section of this newsletter for non-PMITLH learning, networking, and PDU events. Thank you, Your PMITLH Communications Team, [vpcomm@pmitlh.org](mailto:vpcomm@pmitlh.org)

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## Upcoming PMITLH Events

▶ **April 21, 2021**

11:45am – 12:45pm  
PMITLH Wellness Wednesday

▶ **May 5, 2021**

11:45am – 12:45pm  
PMITLH Wellness Wednesday

▶ **June 7, 2021**

PMITLH Virtual Chapter Meeting

▶ **August 2, 2021**

PMITLH Virtual Chapter Meeting

▶ **October 4, 2021**

PMITLH Virtual Chapter Meeting

▶ **December 6, 2021**

PMITLH Virtual Chapter Meeting



# PMITLH Board Talk



**This week's PMITLH Board message comes from your PMITLH Director of Volunteers, Shajil Kalathil.**

Greetings! I am sure you are all enjoying this spring compared to last year. With COVID cases on the decline, we hope we can quickly transition from virtual PMI meetings to in-person PMI meetings, or to a blended opportunity for the first few meetings. Looking forward to our next in-person PMI meeting!

As you all may know, since last spring, health care workers have been taking care of us, comforting us, and giving us hope while sacrificing their family time and risking their lives. We all owe each healthcare worker for their sweat, tears, and blood.

Our chapter has embarked on a new initiative to create hand-crafted Thank You message cards for health care workers. I am immensely proud to say we got our chapter members and some local students from high school to first grade to help us with this initiative. We are on track, and we expect to deliver the "Thank You card" on National Nurses Day – May 6th.

We could not have made this happen without the passion of our chapter members; a big thank you to you all! In addition to this initiative, we are working on other volunteering opportunities. Please look out for a survey where you will have a chance to select your favorite volunteering initiative. Thanks, and please stay safe.

Shajil Kalathil  
PMITLH Director of Volunteers



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PhD Grad Student, Exercise Physiology

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Rakesh Sharma,  
Yoga/SKY Breath Meditation Instructor



## Community Service Opportunity

We're sending out **Thank You Cards** for healthcare workers, to be delivered to local hospitals during Nursing Week - May 6-12, 2021.

If you would like to volunteer for this or any other PMITLH community service project, please email [dirvol@pmitlh.org](mailto:dirvol@pmitlh.org).

**We'd like to feature photos of you during your workday and bios of our great members in future newsletters. If you have a Kudos for someone, let us know to feature it.**

The Chapter would like to feature photos of your workday in future newsletters. Please submit photos to: [vpcomm@pmitlh.org](mailto:vpcomm@pmitlh.org)

The Chapter would like to feature one of our members with a bio in each issue of the newsletter. Please submit a bio for a future newsletter to: [vpcomm@pmitlh.org](mailto:vpcomm@pmitlh.org)

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Chris Schattinger

PhD Grad Student, Exercise Physiology

Chris is a 4<sup>th</sup> year Ph.D. candidate at Florida State University studying Exercise Physiology. After receiving his bachelor's degree in Exercise Science from the University of South Carolina, Chris earned his master's degree in Sports Nutrition from Florida State University.



Chris currently conducts his doctoral dissertation research on heart valve replacement patients and has been involved with clinical research coordination for over 3 years. Chris also has experience as a personal trainer working with Florida State University Campus Recreation.

After completion of his degree, Chris hopes to continue his work as a clinical research coordinator and advance through the field of research related project management.

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Rakesh Sharma

Yoga/SKY Breath Meditation Instructor

Rakesh is a Civil Engineer and is an Associate Vice President/Department Manager in a National firm called HNTB Corporation. Personally, Rakesh is married and is a father of two - 11 and 14; he lives in Tallahassee, Florida.

Rakesh is also a Yoga and SKY Breath Meditation Instructor. For the past 16 years, Rakesh has been volunteering and bringing yoga and meditation knowledge to many. Rakesh is a firm believer in managing emotions and the state of your mind as a key to increasing the quality of the life.



## June 2021 Virtual Chapter Meeting Presentation: What Dog Ownership Can Teach You

Please join us on June 7, 2021 for our next PMI Tallahassee chapter meeting. Our guest speaker, Dr. James Brown, will discuss dog ownership and its correlation to stakeholder management.

We look forward to your participation!

Dog ownership is serious responsibility that is time consuming, challenging, and rewarding. There are many parallels from dog ownership that apply to stakeholder management. In his humorous, hard hitting, tongue in cheek style, Dr. Brown explores the following points relative to every project manager.

- Who is the real master?
- Stakeholders need to be trained
- Know your stakeholder's pedigree
- Stakeholders need to know the scent of other stakeholders
- Stakeholders behave differently when they are in a pack

This session will give you a jump start on becoming the "stakeholder whisperer" and enable you to improve project outcomes through effective leadership of your stakeholders.



**More Information to Follow!**

## PDU Opportunities in Other Chapters.

### Foundations of Agile Project Management

#### Southwest Virginia Spring Symposium – other chapters are invited!

April 30, 2021: 8:30am – 12:30pm. \$50

Guest speaker Andy Kauffman = 4 PDUs

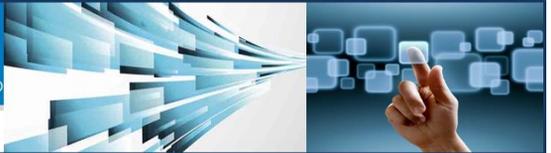
<https://pmi-swva.org/index.php/events/event-listing/events/spring-symposium-andy-kauffman>

The Southwest Virginia PMI chapter is honored and excited to have Andy Kaufman leading a half day session on the **Foundations of Agile Project Management**.

“How can we use these Agile approaches to help us deliver successful projects? This session is designed to understand what Agile is, and what it’s not. We are going to learn about the values, and the principles of Agile. We’ll be looking at different lifecycles, and some of the underlying parts of the Agile mindset.

The goal is to take all the ideas and go apply them right after the workshop!”

# Project Management Institute NEWS



## Register now for the PMI Global Next Leadership Institute Meeting

The virtual PMI® Leadership Institute Meeting 2021—April will be held **Saturday, April 10, 2021**. Register **today**.

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

## PMI Global Resource Hub

Check out PMI's Resource Hub for a "variety of free online resources, virtual events, and other offerings related to the COVID-19 world around us".

<https://www.pmi.org/about/coronavirus-single-source-message/resources-for-new-work-ecosystem>

## How to Earn Free PDUs

Quickly and easily earn professional development units (PDUs) at no additional cost when you are a PMI Member – Attend an Event, Attend a Webinar, Contribute to a WIKI or Discussion Thread, Create a Webinar, or Write an Article or Blog Post.

<https://www.pmi.org/membership/free-pdus>

## PMI Wicked Problem Solving

Check out PMI Global and Tom Wujec' Wicked Problem-Solving approach - "An online design-thinking course & toolkit for anyone who wants to solve problems." <https://www.wickedproblemsolver.com/#wickedproblemsolving>



## PMI Standards

Check out PMI's "new digital solution for instant access to the PMI standards, guides, how-to content and more—all tailored to industry, approach and goals".

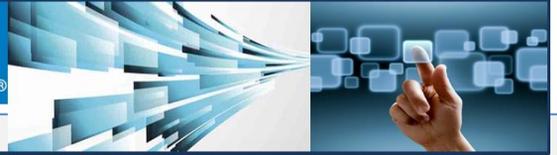
<https://standardsplus.pmi.org/>

## PMI Virtual Experience Series

**New World. New Challenges. New Solutions.**

Recovery is just underway, and while we are navigating a world defined by challenge and change, we can embrace the opportunity to Make Reality in new and exciting ways. PMXPO is now available on demand. Save the date for events on 2 June, 7-9 October, and 7 December.

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



## PMI Customer Care Notice

- PMI is updating its [PMI COVID Update page](#) on an ongoing basis.
- PMI has automatically extended exam eligibility to 18 April 2021 for all PMP exam candidates whose exam eligibility was set to expire before 18 April 2021.
- PMI has launched its 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.

## TED@PMI Talks Are Now Live!

[Watch the available TED@PMI Talks](#) and check back every two weeks for more talks being added. Watch, rewatch, and share them with the world!

## Current PMI Standards and Guides – New 7<sup>th</sup> Edition PMBOK Guide

The PMBOK® Guide – Seventh Edition, which includes a revised “The Standard for Project Management”, will adopt a principle-based structure for the standard and performance domains for the guide - in place of Process Groups and Knowledge Areas.

<https://www.pmi.org/pmbok-guide-standards/about/current-projects>

## 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](#).

# Project Management Institute Tallahassee TIPS

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### 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!

[How to Report PDUs September 2020](#)

# PMI Tallahassee PDU Opportunities

## PDU Opportunities in the Tallahassee Chapter!!!!

### PDU Reminders:

- Chapter members – write an article for the blog and submit it to [vpcomm@pmitlh.org](mailto: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.
- 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).

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## PMITLH Social Media Accounts:

### PMITLH Facebook site

<https://www.facebook.com/pmi.tallahassee>

### PMITLH LinkedIn site

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/16227065/>

### PMITLH Instagram site

<https://www.instagram.com/pmitlhchapter/>

## THANK YOU to our COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS!

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