

Chapter Newsletter July 2024

President's Message

Dear Tallahassee PMI Members,

As we move into the second half of 2024, I am inspired by the resilience and strength our community has shown, especially in the wake of the devastating storms that hit Tallahassee on May 10. Your support and solidarity have been invaluable during these challenging times.

As we enjoy the last month of summer before schools reopen, let's take this opportunity to drive comfortably, spend quality time with loved ones, and engage in enjoyable summer activities.

Looking ahead, we have some exciting events lined up. On July 18, join us for the PMI Tallahassee Book Club, where we will discuss "Smart Brevity." This book offers valuable insights into effective communication, a crucial skill for all project managers. Additionally, mark your calendars for our August Chapter Meeting on August 5, where we will explore "The Value of the PMO" and its impact on organizational success.

Our chapter continues to grow, and I am proud to announce that we are now a community of 464 members. I encourage you to invite your friends and colleagues to join the PMI Tallahassee Chapter, where they can benefit from continuous professional development and a supportive network.

Together, let's continue to strive for excellence and support each other in our professional journeys. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and witnessing the incredible contributions you will make to our community.

Wishing you all a productive and enjoyable July.

Warm regards, Shajil K Kalathil PMI TLH President.



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Upcoming Chapter Events



Book Club Series: Smart Brevity

Bruce J Host Northeast Branch Library <u>or</u> Virtual July 18 @ 6pm-7:30pm

Please join us for our first **hybrid** book club meeting of the year. In this book, the authors challenge us to say more with less. They advocate for deliberate brevity so to make best use of audience time and attention, and to reduce the risk of being misunderstood. As always, we encourage but do not require that you read the book. Come join us and be prepared to discuss and learn. Register here!



August Chapter Meeting

The Value of the PMO
In-Person at Parkview at Cascades & Virtual
August 5 @ 5:30pm-7:30pm
Registration open now!





October Chapter Meeting

& Board Elections
In-Person at Parkview at Cascades & Virtual
October 7 @ 5:30pm-7:30pm
Registration open now!



Calling All Volunteers!

In 2021 we collected a MOUNTAIN of diapers and wipes for Guardian ad Litem. It's time to do it again and exceed our previous collection of over 18,000 diapers and 26,000 wipes!!

If you'd like to participate on the **Diaper Drive committee**, please attend our August chapter meeting (August 5 at The Parkview at Cascades) where we'll gather and start to organize another amazing effort.

Separately, we have a group forming a **Military Outreach committee**.

If you'd like to join either group, or have any questions, please contact Lonna Peterson (vpvol@pmitlh.org).

This is your chance to practice your project management skills and do something great for the community!





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Board Member Spotlight

Meet our Vice President of Programs, Rose Alexandre!



Rose is an accomplished project manager with a passion for education, government operations, and most recently real estate. Originally from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Rose now calls Tallahassee home. Rose has 4 1/2 years of invaluable experience in Project Management and has made a significant contribution across various sectors. Currently, she serves as a pivotal member of the Florida Department of Corrections, where she spearheads the establishment of the Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO).

Rose is known for her innovative approach to project management, particularly evident in per previous role as a teacher at the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). Through collaborative efforts with community partners, she led projects that championed dropout prevention initiatives, leaving a lasting impact on the education landscape. Equipped with a Master's in Educational Leadership, Rose boasts a diverse skill set complemented by certifications in project management, including a Florida Certified Contract Manager.

Beyond the boardroom, Rose finds joy in staying active through workouts and cherishes moments spent hosting family and friends, embodying a perfect balance of professional dedication and personal fulfillment.

Membership Minute

New PMI Certifications

Congrats to our newest PMI certification holders! Matthew Peebles, PMP; Clark Whittington, PMI-ACP; Robert Kornegay, PMP; Steven Welsh, PMP

New Chapter Members

Welcome to our newest chapter members! Carlton Jones, Stephanie Demorest, Robert Kornegay, Tiffinie Larkins, Jessica Ferris, Terry McCullum, Angelique Witmer, Khalil Brown, Diana Binder, Ingrid Nixon

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