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Greetings!

Welcome to the August edition of the Milestone, the first to be brought to you in an "e-newsletter" format. We are very excited to launch this version to provide you, the readership, a more intuitive vehicle for obtaining the knowledge and information you need about the PMI Memphis chapter. Most of the information you need is located on our chapter website and we want to help you get there with quick and easy links and reminders about upcoming events and opportunities. In addition, to further serve your needs, the newsletter will supply you with timely articles, chapter statistics and tidbits, and other useful project management and professional development information. As always, we encourage your feedback. Thanks for reading!

Enjoy! Kerry Frankland, VP Publications
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Membership Update - Skip Hayes, VP Membership

In March, a new Badge program was launched to help enhance the member experience in networking during the monthly dinner meetings. The ribbons beneath the name badge identify those who are new, a guest, speaker, and/or sponsor. In addition, a dot program was introduced that allows people who know of job opportunities to easily identify themselves with a **green** dot, and likewise those who are seeking a job can identify themselves with a **red** dot. Also introduced in March was the Ambassador program designed to welcome new members and first time attendees, and to help answer questions they may have pertaining to the chapter and/or PMI. To facilitate this activity there is an ambassador and/or chapter officer at every table.

Member Orientation launched in May. Its purpose is to introduce new and prospective members to the chapter so they can gain all the benefits of membership more quickly, for members to learn more about the career building volunteer opportunities available, and for inactive members who want to reconnect with the chapter. To date three sessions have been held with an average attendance of about twenty-five.

Your membership team members are: Tom Hutchison, PMP; Stefiney Jackson; Kim Ladd, PMP; Richard Brown, PMP; Leigh Espy, PMP; Michael Fulton, PMP; Valenta Nichols, PMP; Craig Ferguson; David Hillpot, PMP; Sherry McGregor, PMP; and Skip Hayes, PMP, VP Membership.

2007 Professional Development Day

Do you want to earn PDUs and develop your project management skills while networking with other local and regional professionals? The PMI Memphis Chapter is pleased to announce that registration is now open for the 2007 Professional Development Day (PDD), Thursday, October 25, at the Peabody Hotel in downtown Memphis.

In conjunction with the PDD, PMI SeminarsWorld is holding their Memphis event on Tuesday, October 23 and Wednesday, October 24 at the DoubleTree Hotel downtown. Participants of the Memphis PDD can receive a 20% discount when they register for the Seminars World event. By registering for both events, attendees can earn up to 24 PDUs in just 3 days.

[To Read the Full Event Preview, Click Here](#)

[To Register for the Event, Click Here](#)

[To Learn More about PMI Seminars World, Click Here](#)

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2007 Professional Development Day Exhibitors

Please welcome and support the 2007 Exhibitors at the 2007 Professional Day:



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September Chapter Meeting Preview

Please join us at Crescent Club (6075 Poplar Avenue Ninth Floor) on Tuesday, September 11, 2007 to hear Chris Patteson speak on "Corporate Management from the Trenches".

Attendees will also have an opportunity to purchase raffle tickets to win a Viking Cooking School Chef's Table Class for you and up to 5 of your friends.

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[Click Here for more information about the Raffle](#)

PMP Exam Prep Course - September 18-20

The PMI Memphis TN Chapter PMP Exam Prep Course provides practicing project managers with focused, effective guidance for mastering the PMBOK curriculum and obtaining PMP Certification.

[For More Information, Click Here](#)

[To Register for the Event, Click Here](#)

2007 Mentoring Program Launched

Interested in becoming a Mentor or Mentee to develop your professional skills and earn PDUs?

[To Learn More, Click Here](#)

Learning Article - By Vicki Wrona, PMP - Global Knowledge Course Director

"What is the Value of Getting PMP Certified?"

Anyone working around the field of Project Management knows that the field is growing, and the PMP (Project Management Professional) certification is hot. Just how hot is it? What is the value of getting certified? This article will explore those questions. The first and foremost question on everyone's mind is money. What is the PMP certification worth?

[To Read the Entire Article, Click Here](#)

Chapter Statistics

Total Number of Global PMI Members (July 31, 2007):	245,175
Total Number of Memphis TN Chapter Members:	544
Total Number of Members with PMP Certification:	307
Percentage of Membership with PMP Certification:	63%

Number of New Members:	15
Number of New PMPs:	9

Welcome New Members:

Keith A Brame, PMP	Venkatappa C. Jambulapati	Susan D Terry
Eric Burton	Terrell Monger	Mesha K Watkins
Christopher F Fortin	Corlis M. Saadbouh	Melissa C. Wilson
Bernadette H Gray	Jeffrey Austin, PMP	Donna Vickery
Joel Stamley	Percie Strong-Jenkins	Larry D Snelling

Congratulations New PMPs:

John S Melton, PMP	Rudra Roy, PMP	Dinesh Udipi, PMP
Brent J Nair, PMP	Joshua A. Smith, PMP	Raman Bahl, PMP
Jerry Kennedy, PMP	Christopher Fortin, PMP	Sharon Hawkins, PMP

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