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NEXT PD SEMINAR - JANUARY 23, 2002

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The Fifth Professional Development Seminar in Vancouver

Wednesday January 23, 2002

Holiday Inn, Metrotown

Topic: Evaluating the Content and Implementation Process  
for a Project Management Practice Manual

Continental Breakfast 8:00 AM

Program: 8:30 AM to Noon, 1:00 to 4:30 PM

Fee \$35.00 includes seminar binder, restaurant lunch, and refreshments

Registration is limited

To Register: e-mail Chris Quaife [cquaife@sfu.ca](mailto:cquaife@sfu.ca)

Of interest and value to anyone involved in implementing good project management practices, methodologies, manuals, or standards. This initiative requires acceptance and support from a broad range of stakeholders: owners, designers, contractors, and regulators.

Chris Quaife, PMP will be the PM for the January 23, 2002 workshop on the Building Projects manual. The format is a series of prepared presentations, each examining a section of the manual, followed by workshop discussions and evaluation by the participants. The aim is to provide a consensus evaluation of the manual and, if appropriate, to endorse the manual on behalf of the Society. All PMPs are invited to register for the workshop and to participate in the evaluation as a professional development opportunity.

Confirmed presenters and discussion leaders so far include:

Matti Saar, PMP  
 Brian McConachy, PMP  
 Jeff Herold, PMP  
 David King, PMP  
 Pieter Vannierop, PMP  
 Vraj Sudra PMP,  
 Ken Rosenberg, PMP  
 Keith Koster, PMP

The entire group will participate in making the evaluation. Do not hold back from volunteering to make a presentation of your concerns and how the manual addresses them

The manual is concerned with management practices and is not about building technology. The draft manual together with introductory and explanatory documents can be downloaded from <http://www.bcprojectsmanual.com> . A multi-association Task Force, which includes the PMI West Coast BC Chapter, has developed the Exposure Draft of the Manual for review.

Presenters will evaluate elements of the manual from the perspectives of project owner, developer, architect, engineer, facility manager, constructor, project director and educator. Through the follow-up discussion, the workshop will also recommend improvements for the manual and the process for its development and acceptance.

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#### November 28 PD Seminar Report

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Thirty-nine PMPs participated in the November 28, 2001 PD Seminar at the Holiday Inn Metrotown. Once again high, positive ratings were given to the presentations and workshops.

The presenters were Jim Brosseau, PMP, Feri Demehri, PMP, and Luba Ebert, PMP. Louise Novakowski, PMP, Velvet Warrior, PMP, and Chris Quaife, PMP, led workshop groups in the examination of prepared cases and topics.

The Annual General Meeting elected the officers of the Society. See the final item in this notice.

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#### PD DAYS PLANNED FOR 2002

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Chris Quaife, PMP will be the PM for the January 23, 2002 workshop on the Building Projects Manual described above. At least three more PD seminars are planned for 2002

February 27, 2002: Feri Demehri, PMP has volunteered as PM. Two of the presenters have been confirmed: Roger King, PMP and Blake Johnson, PMP. Additional presenters are invited to volunteer. Contact [fdemehri@hotmail.com](mailto:fdemehri@hotmail.com)

May 22, 2002: This seminar will be devoted to the presentation of project case histories and the examination of lessons learned. Peter Leekha, PMP has volunteered as PM. Contact [pleekha@sandwell.com](mailto:pleekha@sandwell.com) . Presenters are invited to volunteer.

September 25, 2002. Professional Day and Seminar.

November 27, 2002. Professional Day, Seminar, and Annual General Meeting of the Society.

Unless a volunteer Project Manager steps forward from the ranks of the local PMPs, a seminar does not proceed. We do have a list of some volunteer PMP presenters, but more are needed, as are volunteers to facilitate the workshop discussions which will follow the presentations.

Each PMP is a candidate for any of the roles on a seminar. The Society is based on the principle that we learn from each other, and each of us has valuable experience to share or facilitation skills to contribute. Volunteers should contact Walter Wawruck, below, or the Project Manager for a specific date.

Seminar participants can claim seven PDUs for the day. We now have confirmation from PMI on the PDUs that presenters, facilitators, and the PM can claim, in addition to the time they spend as participants.

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## REGINA SOCIETY CONFERENCE - AN EVEN BIGGER SUCCESS

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The Regina Society of PM Professionals held its third professional development conference on November, 21, 2001. The program featured presentations by local PMPs and participatory workshops. Sixty-five PMPs and practitioners attended this third event in Regina. This follows an inaugural conference on May 16, 2001 with more than 40 PMPs in attendance , and a second conference on September 19 attended by 71 PMPs and practitioners.

The next Regina conference will be on February 6, 2002.

The number of PMPs in the Regina area is about 170, slightly below the number in Greater Vancouver.

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## OTHER PDU OPPORTUNITIES

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Here are some other events, advertised for the next five months, which will be opportunities to earn PDUs towards PMP recertification.

PMI West Coast BC Chapter dinner meetings. One PDU. Speaker and coffee only \$5. Dinner plus speaker \$30 PMI Member/\$35 non-member. Reserve at [reservations@pmi.bc.ca](mailto:reservations@pmi.bc.ca)  
 January 16, 2002: Speaker: Ken Hanley - Smart PM: Do or Die  
 February 20, 2002  
 March 20, 2002  
 April 17, 2002  
 May, 15, 2002

Regina Society of PM Professionals. Full-day professional development conferences. Seven PDUs per event, \$8 a PDU or less. Contact : Ginny Nisbet, PMP [gnisbet@serm.gov.sk.ca](mailto:gnisbet@serm.gov.sk.ca) or Thomas Coats, PMP [tcoats@paradigm.sk.ca](mailto:tcoats@paradigm.sk.ca)  
 February 6, 2002  
 May 29, 2002

Regina/ South Saskatchewan PMI Chapter. Professional Development Conference April 22, 23 & 24th, 2002. Eighteen to 20 PDUs. Fee TBA. Contact: Rob Nelson, PMP: (306)777-2607 or email: [lindy.nelson@sk.sympatico.ca](mailto:lindy.nelson@sk.sympatico.ca)

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## 'SUSPENDED' PMPS WILL HAVE 12 MONTHS TO EARN PDUS

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December 31, 2001 is a critical deadline for any PMP who was certified or re-certified prior to 1999. This encompasses perhaps half, or more, of our Vancouver area PMPs

All PMPs who fall into this category must, in order to maintain their good standings as PMPs, report at least 60 Professional Development Units (PDUs) by year's end

PMPs who do not meet requirements to maintain their certification by 31 December will have their certification status changed from "active" to "suspended." These individuals will then have another 12 months in which to complete the requirements before their PMP certification is "revoked." If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Barbara Pattinson, PMI Certification Administrative Manager. ([certmgr@pmi.org](mailto:certmgr@pmi.org))

As has been noted in previous newsletters, it appears that the Institute is very anxious to accommodate PMPs who wish to retain the designation. All classes of points earned under the earlier, pre-1999 system can be carried forward, and PDUs can be claimed for doing one's project management work.

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SOCIETY WEBSITE CONTENT EXPANDED

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Recent items posted to <http://www.vcn.bc.ca/pmprof> include the membership application form, the Society Constitution, and messages from PMI HQ clarifying the PDU entitlements for various activities.

There are ambitious plans to post other items of importance, as you will see from the listings on the site index. An HTML conversant volunteer would be of great assistance in these initiatives. Please contact Walter Wawruck.

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If you have not yet filled in a membership application, contact Dale Hawley, download one from the website, or complete a form at the January seminar.

Regards,

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