

#### Q1 2022 Newsletter

### PRESIDENTS LETTER

Happy March!

Spring is getting closer, the days are getting longer and COVID restrictions are starting to change! Many organizations are starting to move from pandemic to endemic which means that restrictions are being removed.

What does this mean for the chapter?

It is an opportunity to start considering getting together in person again. We realize that not everyone is ready to go mask free and gather in large groups. We do want everyone to be able to participate and meet you where you are comfortable. We will continue the next few chapter meetings virtually (several of our speakers are remote). For those who want to get together, the chapter will be planning an in-person Networking event later this Spring.

Stay tuned to the chapter meeting communications, newsletters and chapter website to learn more about all the opportunities the chapter offers to learn, grow, and connect.

Hope to see you all soon! Heather Benson President, PMI Michigan Huron Valley Chapter

### **CALL FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS**

Be part of where the magic starts with PMI-HVC!

- Have you ever volunteered with our Chapter?
- Have you ever considered serving on the PMI-Huron Valley Chapter Board?
- Interested in growing as a professional and as a leader? Interested in meeting and working with your project management peers?
- Would you like to enhance your capabilities while helping shape our future? Have new ideas and energy to contribute?

Interested, but need more info? Visit the FAQ on the <u>Chapter's Annual Elections page</u>, or reach out to the Nominations & Election Committee at <u>elections@pmi-hvc.org</u>

All 7 Board Positions are elected on an annual basis with election taking place in early May: President, VP Administration, VP Communications, VP Finance, VP Membership, VP Programs, & VP Training. Read more about the position descriptions here.

# ProjectBites

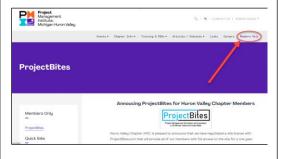
Huron Valley Chapter (HVC) is pleased to announce that we have negotiated a site license with ProjectBites.com that will provide all of our members with full access to the site for one year.

ProjectBites provides project management education and inspiration in 20-minute video and audio 'Bites'. As your chapter leaders, we believe this product gives us all a new and unique way to learn.

This site also has tracking tools to help you track the PDU's that you've earned through the site.

Content is updated weekly with new and revamped content covering all aspects of our project management and related professions.

To access this content, navigate to <a href="mailto:pmi-hvc.org">pmi-hvc.org</a>, use your credentials to log in, then go to the Members Only area, select "ProjectBites" sub-menu option and follow the instructions to access ProjectBites site and register.



\*\*\*This is only open to HVC members\*\*\*

### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Kenneth Wisinski

I am currently a Senior Lean Operational Excellence Consultant. I use my extensive program management experience to lead clients through their Enterprise Excellence transformations; Shingo & Continuous Improvement training, and Total Productive Maintenance initiatives.

After obtaining an Engineering degree from Kettering University (founded as General Motors Institute), I joined the Toyota Product Engineering group in North America. As a Program Management expert, I've run global projects with \$30M budgets and \$100M annual revenue targets. I'm a Project Management Professional (PMP)®, Professional Scrum Master (PSM I), and Professional Scrum Product Owner (PSPO I). As a Six Sigma Black Belt and Lean practitioner, I continuously look for ways to improve every system.

Volunteering with PMI-HVC has been beneficial in several ways. For me personally, three of those stand out:

- Expansion of my professional network and creation of new friendships with likeminded professionals in my community
- Enhancement of my skills & capabilities by volunteering in an area that was initially outside my comfort zone
- Learning from other PMI-HVC volunteers as we worked together on chapter activities

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are looking for a volunteer to help with the PMI-HVC social media presence along with some other communications-focused tasks. If interested, please contact our VP of Communications, Amy Harrison, at vpcommunications@pmi-hvc.org

Would you like to volunteer in another area? Reach out to our VP of Membership, Smitha Shetty, at <a href="mailto:vpmembership@pmi-hvc.org">vpmembership@pmi-hvc.org</a> and you can learn about additional volunteer opportunities.

## CALLING ALL PARTY PLANNERS!!!

DID YOU KNOW THAT PMI-HVC IS CELEBRATING ITS 20 YEAR

ANNIVERSARY IN SEPTEMBER?

What a great opportunity to get together and celebrate! We are seeking volunteers to help plan for a wonderful in-person event to celebrate this anniversary in September. If you're interested in helping plan for this event, please contact Amy Harrison at <a href="mailto:vpcommunications@pmi-hvc.org">vpcommunications@pmi-hvc.org</a>

## Congratulations to Our Members Who Earned Credentials in 2021!

Srinandan Prakash Damle Michael Fazioli Christopher Struve, M.D. Willie Raymer Joshua Mattison Katrina Folsom Joseph Chang

Johnathan DeMaggio
Mindy Judson
David Barron
Orlando Gillespie
Taina Jean-Louis
Jessica Hanlon
Vyankatesh Mhavatkar

Nicole Murphy Katie Young Marcelo Xavier Christine Blair Ryan Vanderlist Kenneth Clewley

## Congratulations to Our Members Who Earned Credentials in 2022!

Kelly Grider

Richard Prueter

Richard Allen

## Welcome New Members!!

Current Members: 491

Abby Morris
Anandaraj Natarajan
Briana Hamber
Chandra Willett
Cristin Hipke
Emamoke Obah
Eric Martin Chmielewski
Hannah Kendzicky

Eric Martin Chmielew Hannah Kendzicky Heather Amador Jermaine Buckines Jessica Hanlon Jim Alger John Peppes
Joseph Chang
Joshua Mattison
Julia Young
Katrina Folsom
Kelly Grider
Kristine Michels
Mansour Sharha
Michael Carroll
Michael McAtee
Mike Scoffins
Mohd Faiz Ahsan

Niccolle Jones
Olugbenga Popoola
Paula Bryan
Richard Prueter
Richard Wambaugh
Roger Gillie
Rohit Gaikwad
Stephanie Marshall
Tonya Quinn
Tracey Highlen
Tracey Troy

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, March 24 "Project Bites LIVE!"

Monday, April 18 "Work Smarter: Learn, Optimize, Accelerate using Disciplined Agile"

DETAILS AND REGISTRATION CAN BE FOUND HERE

### BOARD MEMBERS

CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Heather Benson

VP FINANCE

Keason Sanvordenker

**VP TRAINING**Cathy Fisher

**VP ADMINISTRATION** 

Chet Kothari

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**VP COMMUNICATIONS** 

Amy Harrison

**VP PROGRAMS** 

Bob Olech