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Our Mission

Provide an active forum for promoting Professional Project Management knowledge and standards in Southern Nevada.

October 2006 - President's Message

*The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity.
The optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.*

-Winston Churchill

Here is what we are working on as the year winds down for the 2006 board of directors ...

The nomination period for the 2007 board of directors is over and the election is underway. See the latest in this newsletter.

Greg is working on two Habitat for Humanity events this year, and he needs volunteers! Please see our website to sign-up for this worthwhile cause.

Pete and Annette are working out the details for this year's holiday party. We are teaming up with three other professional organizations on what will be a fun filled evening!

Swadha is tallying the results of the membership survey and will tell you all about it in next month's newsletter.

Veronika is representing PMI-SNC at the 2006 Global Congress later this month.

Pradeep has some excellent ideas and leads for training seminars, and is working on these events for next year.

And me? I guess I am just the band leader! And the band played on!

-Karen Brown, President, PMI-SNC

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2006 Programs At A Glance

Thursday, October 19	Program Meeting
Thursday, November 9	Program Meeting
Friday, December 8	Holiday Party joint party with AITP

All programs are held at:
Palace Station Hotel & Casino
2411 W. Sahara Avenue,
Las Vegas, NV 89102

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2006-2007 Elections Update

Congratulations to the following incoming board members who were the sole nominations to their positions:

President: Greg Shaffer
Executive VP: Swadha Rath
Secretary: Sunny Hill
VP Public Relations: Veronika Green
VP Programs: Preston McDaniel
Treasurer: Peter Duigan
VP of Education: Pradeep Rath

The only position remaining is the contest for VP of Membership. We asked each candidate to briefly describe why each is nominating himself for the position:

Nominee's name: Levell Sims, PMP

I am currently the first time visitor greeter and enjoy meeting and talking to the visitors. However, I believe with the phenomenal growth in construction and population that Las Vegas, and the surrounding areas, is experiencing, that we should have some targets and goals in place for future growth year over year. If elected to this position, I would like to work with the rest of the board members to set realistic forecasts for growth and then get out in the PM community to bring those forecasts to fruition.

In addition to the tasks and goals outlined in the action plan, I would look at placing flyers in hotels, construction companies, and government facilities about meetings and benefits of joining. I would also look into putting a paragraph or two in company news letters, and maybe even have a sign up drive at places of employment.

As new visitors come to the meeting I would like to follow up with them to see what they liked or disliked about the meeting and what we could do to keep them coming back and possibly joining.

I would also like to look at the new visitor to member conversion ratio to see how we are doing at converting visitors to members. Additionally, I would like to our visitor to member ratio and compare it to other chapters or organization our size.

These are just a few of the ideas that I would like to bring to this position if elected. I would appreciate your support.

Levell Sims, PMP, MBA

Nominee's name: Charley Jones, PMP

Why me: Have been acting coordinator of the newsletter since May 2006.

Platform: Interested in using technology to improve membership tracking and email announcements.

From submarines, to oranges, to budgets, I've developed numerous systems to get information in the hands of the people that require it. It's all about sharing the data and the knowledge, and that's why I'm

happy to a member in good standing with PMI-SNC. My hope is to bring the chapter into a new era of collaboration. To that end, I've already helped to construct a Sharepoint site for the board, an online membership survey, and a more streamlined and professional version of the monthly newsletter. I recently obtained my PMP in July, and add that to a long list of professional technical certifications including A+, MCP, MOUS, MCSA, MCSE, MCDBA, MCAD, and MCT. It is my hope to use my talents and experience to further enhance data and knowledge sharing with chapter members and, indeed, the rest of the professional community.

Charley Jones

A+, MCP, MOUS, MCSA, MCSE, MCDBA,
MCAD, MCT, PMP

Look for more information and the voting process on the website at <http://pmi-snc.org>. Voting is through October 16th with public announcement at the meeting on October 19th.

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Partial list of upcoming PMI Global Congresses:

2006

North America	Seattle, Wash., USA	21–24 October
Latin America	Santiago, Chile	6–8 November

2007

Asia Pacific	Hong Kong	29–31 January
EMEA	Budapest, Hungary	14–16 May
North America	Atlanta, Ga., USA	6–9 October
Latin America	Mexico City, Mexico	

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Membership Update

The current membership reports finds 346 members in the PMI Southern Nevada Chapter.

There were 5 new members this month: Connie White Yelder, David Conrad, Eric Lundgaard, Thomas Courtney, and Wade Gibbs. Welcome to the chapter!



A total of 17 members renewed their memberships this month: Darrell Hutchinson, Jason Pelton, John Kompere, Keith Whitehead, Kevin Clay Sansom, Kim Poole, Lajos Mottel, Louis Kachnik, Marvin Larson, Mayri Hebert, Michael Effner, Michael William Harrington, Michelle Faithfull, Rebecca Davis, Sherri Gladu, Veronika Green, and Zouheir Hashem.

The following memberships have expired and not renewed: Blair Barnard, David Belangia, Danny Callejo, Maria DeChellis, Dean Dennis, Anthon Hansen, John Knuth, Steve Kompst, William Pemberton, Jo Ann Slavin, Myrna Soto, and Jodi Wiseman. Please renew today!



- Swadha Rath, VP Membership

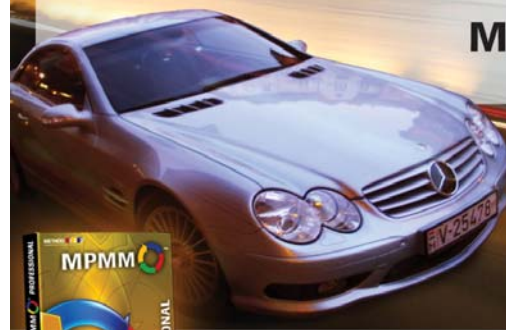
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