

Mark your Calendars!



11/17 PMI Monthly Meeting

(Jay Rifenburg "No Excuse")

12/01 Member Appreciation

(Calaway Grill)

01/19 PMI Monthly Meeting

(Alexander Schyljuk "Six Sigma")

Recognition



New Members

Over the past quarter **39** new members have joined our local chapter. Welcome to all new members!

New PMPs

Congratulations to our new local chapter PMPs!

Melinda Allen
MaryAnne Barry
Albert Campisano
Yuan-Hsing Chen
Michael Conway
Annette Ellis
Frank Hughes
William Kultzow
John Kazunas
Randall McHale
Nandan Shanbhag
Ganesan Srinivasan
John Traver Sr.

1st Executive Symposium: Importance of the PMO

The Project Management Institute Upstate NY Chapter and the New York State Forum for Information Resource Management presented an Executive Symposium Panel and Luncheon on September 22. The program centered on the importance of the Project Management Office and featured Dr. Ginger Levin, nationally known Project Management consultant and author of *The Advanced Project Management Office: A Comprehensive Look at Function and Implementation*.

Dr. Levin's presentation provided an overview of project management and specific steps to implement and support a PMO. Attendees were able to ask the panel of local public and private sector executives questions and the panelists shared their organizations' experiences. 75% of the survey respondents rated the program "excellent" and 67% felt the content provided them "very useful" information. Organizations that had PMOs were happy that much of what they had done was validated, while organizations without PMOs found Ginger's presentation and the panel's "real world" insights very informative.

This Executive Symposium was organized in response to our strategic initiative to reach out to the PM community. The event was geared to business executives and managers who wanted to learn more about project management, what it can do for them, and how to sell it in their organizations. The Symposium was attended by 135 area executives and managers.

Dr. Levin was also the speaker that evening at our local chapter meeting. Paul Hauschen, VP, Education and Certification, hosted and moderated the event. Special thanks to Nancy Mulholland for her role in organizing the event.



Job Search Initiative

The chapter provides a new service to offer timely information on job openings. If you know of a job opening, please notify Norine A. Kenny at projectnorine@aol.com and she will make the announcement regarding this at the next monthly meeting as well as coordinate the distribution of this information to all members via our e-mail distribution list.



Did you know?

The Upstate New York Chapter of the Project Management Institute was founded in 1977. This chapter is the seventh oldest of the 211 chartered chapters throughout the world.