



# Pittsburgh Chapter of the PMI

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## From the Desk of the President

Larry Mack, PMP

### Welcome

Just a short note to the membership.

The Pittsburgh Chapter of PMI has grown to over 1,000 members. As the new President of the Chapter, I see my role as ensuring that the Board provides the membership with what they feel they need to advance their professional career.

The Chapter's monthly dinner meeting presentations, the Information Technology, Healthcare and Financial Services Special Interest Group meetings, special workshops, seminars and the PMP Review Workshop will continue. We also have a Volunteer group that is looking for new projects. Can you help us with some ideas on what skills, competencies, and training you would like to see the Chapter sponsor? Contact me at [President@PittsburghPMI.org](mailto:President@PittsburghPMI.org)

I look forward to serving you.

See you on January 12<sup>th</sup>!

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## January Healthcare SIG Speaker Bio

### Holly Gallion, M. D.

Dr. Gallion joined Precision Therapeutics, Inc. in 2004, where as Vice President of Clinical Affairs she has a pivotal role in the company in directing the development of clinical trial strategy, undertaking clinical and translational research, and coordinating physician and patient liaisons. Prior to joining Precision, she was a practicing gynecologic oncologist, providing surgical and chemotherapy services for women with gynecologic cancers. She worked with the Magee-Women's Hospital, Pittsburgh, as Division Director and as Fellowship Director, Gynecologic Oncology, and as Program Leader-Gynecologic Oncology at the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Center.

After graduating in medicine from the University of Kentucky in 1979, Holly completed extensive postgraduate studies in her chosen field of obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Gallion is a member of several academic and professional associations including the American Society of Clinical Oncology. She continues to actively work in clinical research, and has published over 100 referenced papers, and over 80 editorials, reviews, symposia proceedings, and books.

## January Chapter Meeting Speaker Bio

### Michael H. Celender M.S.

Michael H. Celender M.S. has over 16 years of experience developing skills and potential in others. He holds a B.S. in Psychology from the University of Pittsburgh and an M.S. in Human Resource Management from LaRoche College. Mike has six years of experience as a Milieu Therapist at Western Psychiatric Institute & Clinic. His responsibilities included developing patients' latent skills and abilities to manage their daily pressures relating to stress, conflict, and self-esteem.

Mike has worked as an internal performance and organization development consultant for over ten years with various organizations in the Pittsburgh area including Highmark, UPMC, Heinz, Marconi, Effectiveness Dimensions International, and Coventry Health Care.

Mike has designed, developed, and presented seminars on all aspects of leadership development. He also has provided consultation to various divisions, departments, and work groups for performance improvement and staff development.

Mike holds certifications in Development Dimensions International's "Techniques for an Empowered Workforce", FranklinCovey's "What Matters Most", Lominger Limited's "Leadership Architect Suite of Integrated Tools" and A.S.T.D.'s "Human Performance Improvement". He is also a member of the American Society for Training and Development and the Society for Human Resource Management.

## February Chapter Meeting

## Newsletter Submission Schedule

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Submission Date</u>
February	January 19
March	February 16
April	March 16

### Goal-Driven Measurement Robert Ferguson, PMP Software Engineering Institute

Many people have experience with failed measurement programs. The SEI has an approach that we have demonstrated in a number of situations with very good results. The talk will describe the basics of goal-driven measurement and why this approach is often needed.

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## Special Announcements

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### **TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO REGISTER FOR THE TEAM BUILDING SEMINAR**

Anyone who works on a team has faced the challenges of that environment. There are different personalities, different skill levels, different work styles, etc. In this age of virtual teams, you could easily be working with someone in another country. How successfully does your team work together? To find out ways to improve your team's cohesiveness and ability to work together, mark you calendar for January 25, 2006.

David Holzer will be presenting a seminar on Team Building. This session is a simulation workshop designed to help participants work with people from other cultures, departments, disciplines, etc. Learn how you perceive differences and how you respond to them.

David has experience in corporate training, education, and consulting, including work as a cross-cultural corporate trainer and language instructor.

The session will be held at DeVry University in Downtown Pittsburgh from 5:00-9:00 p.m. The cost of the session is \$110. For certified PMPs, the course will provide 4 PDUs toward re-certification.

To register, see the registration form in this newsletter or go to the Pittsburgh Chapter website at [www.pittsburghpmi.org](http://www.pittsburghpmi.org). For more information, contact [vp\\_education@pittsburghpmi.org](mailto:vp_education@pittsburghpmi.org).

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### **SPRING 2006 – PMP REVIEW CLASS**

Are you interested in taking the PMP exam and want to attend a class to help you prepare? Then mark your calendar. The PMP Review Class will be held on five Saturdays in February and March 2006. The dates will be February 25, and March 4, 11, 18 and 25.

The classes will be held at DeVry University on Sixth Avenue in Downtown Pittsburgh.

For PMI members, the price is \$725 and for non-members, it is \$895. In addition to the course materials, additional materials will be provided to help the students study for the exam.

For registration information and to register, visit our website at [www.pittsburghpmi.org](http://www.pittsburghpmi.org) or see the insert in the December newsletter. Please contact [vp\\_education@pittsburghpmi.org](mailto:vp_education@pittsburghpmi.org) with questions.

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### **PMP REVIEW ONSITE VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

Are you planning to take the PMP Review Classes in the Spring of 2006? Would you like to attend at a discounted rate? If so, volunteer to be the onsite coordinator for the classes. This involves greeting and introducing the instructors, handing out and collecting evaluation forms, handing signup of lunch selections for each week, and ensuring the caterer sets up breakfast and lunch on time. If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to [vp\\_education@pittsburghpmi.org](mailto:vp_education@pittsburghpmi.org). The volunteer will be accepted on a first-come basis.

# Event Schedule

Date	Program Type	Presenter	Title	Location
1/12/2006	Chapter Meeting	Michael Celender	Leading Remotely	<a href="#">ESWP</a>
1/12/2006	Healthcare SIG	Holly Gallion, MD	The Impact of Personalized Medicine on the Healthcare System	<a href="#">ESWP</a>
1/23/2006	IT SIG	Mike Jackson, Coventry Healthcare	Managing IT Projects as an External Consultant	Pittsburgh Technology Council
2/9/2006	Chapter Meeting	Robert Ferguson, SEI	Goal-Driven Measurement	<a href="#">ESWP</a>
2/9/2006	Financial Services SIG	TBD	TBD	<a href="#">ESWP</a>
3/9/2006	Chapter Meeting	Ravi Ramamoorthy	Outsourcing Best Practices – An Overview of the eSourcing Capability Model	<a href="#">ESWP</a>
3/9/2006	Healthcare SIG	Patricia Kost, Osteoarthritis Institute	TBD	<a href="#">ESWP</a>
3/27/2006	IT SIG Presentation	Vicky Haney, PMP	Scope Management, Part 2	Pittsburgh Technology Council
4/13/2006	Financial Services SIG Presentation	TBD	TBD	<a href="#">ESWP</a>
4/13/2006	Chapter Meeting & Keynote Presentation	Everett Rodriguez	TBD	<a href="#">ESWP</a>

**Please contact Mike Rapach, VP of Programs, at [Programs@PittsburghPMI.org](mailto:Programs@PittsburghPMI.org) if you have a topic you would like to see addressed in a future meeting, if you or someone you know would be interested in presenting, or if you have an advance question for any of our presenters.**

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## New Chapter Members

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Please join us in welcoming the following new members to the chapter:

**Nicholas Callas**  
**Steven M. DiTommaso**  
**Michael E. Elizer**  
**Kimberly Fox , PMP**  
**Norman T. Friedrich**  
**Paula S. Gesselberty**  
**Paul F. Hauser**  
**Frank R. Johovich**  
**Richard A. Koval**  
**John S. Lezo**  
**Edward M. Lillion**  
**Paula J. Maga**  
**Andrew J. Male**  
**John W. Stevenson Jr.**  
**Sandra Rae Stewart**  
**Melanie R. Venanzio**  
**Naor Wallach**  
**Michael Watts**  
**Peter C. Wilkins**  
**Ronald N. Winning**

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## New Chapter PMPs

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Please join us in congratulating the newest chapter PMP's !

**Jeffrey Clark , PMP**  
**Martin Hoehn , PMP**  
**Deborah A Uebele , PMP**  
**Kevin J Zallow , PMP**

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Just a reminder to keep your contact information up-to-date in the Members section of the national website, [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org).

Your monthly newsletter and all other Chapter communications will be sent to your primary e-mail address listed under your Contact Information.



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## January Chapter Meeting - Thursday, January 12, 2006

### “Leading Remotely”

**Presenter:** Michael H. Celender

**Synopsis:** This program deals with leading and managing people who do not work in the same location as you. It will cover the following objectives.

- ◆ Understand why remote leadership will only become more important into the future
- ◆ How to realize the advantages of multiple locations and remote work
- ◆ How to overcome the negative effects of distance
- ◆ How and what work practices need to change
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**Where:** Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania (ESWP), 337 Fourth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

**Reservations:** Call 412-261-4300 and indicate meal selection. Meal selection is available until Tuesday at 5 pm. Walk-ins cannot be guaranteed a meal, so please RSVP!

**Schedule:**

5:00 pm	Healthcare SIG (“The Impact of Personalized Medicine on the Healthcare System”, Holly Gallion, MD, Precision Therapeutics, Inc.)
5:15 pm	Social Hour / Networking (Cash Bar)
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm	Presentation

**Cost:** \$25 for dinner. No cost for presentation only.