I had the good fortune to be able to attend a Region 7 PMI event. The PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter is lucky to be part of a region that includes California, Nevada, Arizona, and New Mexico. I spent three days with over 60 other chapter members from the region listening to presentations, sharing lessons learned, talking story and laughing (and yes, complaining) of the challenges with supporting our PMI local chapters. I came back so excited and energized to do my part for the chapter that I wanted to ensure some of the key takeaways were not only communicated with our board but also with the entire chapter. Here are some of those thoughts:

1. Consider what MEMBER VALUE you are delivering in ALL you do

For every action or decision made by a board of directors of a PMI chapter, the question should be asked of what VALUE we are delivering to members. Members join to get something out of the chapter, whether it’s networking, possible employment, professional growth, community service or simply to
maintain credentials – every member or potential member is looking for something. I’d love for every member to consider two things:

- What value are you getting out of being a PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter member?
- What value are you sharing with other members of the chapter?

With these thoughts always top of mind, we can together build a successful and engaging organization!

2. PMI Chapters are ENTIRELY VOLUNTEER organizations

Sitting in a room with over 60 people and realizing that every one of them is a volunteer, that we are all doing what we’re doing for the chapter IN ADDITION TO our work, family and friends. I was blown away by the passion and energy every person brought to the table. All were extremely passionate and desired to help grow the profession in their own communities. As you listened to them talking it was amazing to hear how much they could accomplish in their “spare time”!!

Think about all the events, training, job opportunities and other items you get notified about from PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter. Now consider that all of these are setup, run, managed, shared and reported on by your fellow members, fellow volunteers! It’s incredible when you find something you’re passionate about and put a little energy together with others to build great things!!

These thoughts I bring back to the chapter and the board to encourage us each to seek how to grow and build our organization that not only supports our chapter but builds greater community awareness and support for the project management profession and those that work so hard day in and day out. You can find evidence of this share on the chapter’s website (www.pmihnl.org) and the social media sites (Like Us on Facebook, Follow us on Twitter, Follow us on LinkedIn or Join the LinkedIn Group to get in on the Conversations!).

Look forward to getting more involved with all of you!

~Jamie Champagne
What does the “CCR Update” mean to me?

If you are a PMI credential holder, then you should be aware of the notices that are being sent about “CCR Updates.” CCRs are the Continuing Certification Requirements that credential holders must complete to maintain their credentials in good standing. The idea behind them is to help you grow and develop within the PM profession.

What is changing?

PMI’s goals is to align project management skills with employer needs. Therefore, they are putting a heavier emphasis on Education Requirements. The changes affect the maximum and minimum PDUs you may claim in each of the areas. The biggest changes are the new MINIMUMS on Education Requirements and the new MAXIMUMS on Giving Back Requirements.

Does this affect me?

If you currently hold a PMI Credential (PMP, PgMP, PgMP, PMI-PBA, PMI-ACP, PMI-RMP, PMI-SP) you are affected in how you capture your PDUs starting on 1 December 2015. You will need to use the new structure of how your PDUs are broken out. However, PMI wanted each person who’s in the middle of their 3-year certification period to complete under the old format if they wish. So if your certification expires prior to 30 November 2017, then you do NOT have to meet the new minimums and maximums in each category. All credential holders who renew certifications after 1 December 2017 will all have to then be following the new minimums and maximums.

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*Cannot exceed a total of 25 Giving Back PDUs
†Cannot exceed a total of 12 Giving Back PDUs
How can I adapt to the changing needs?

The change requires to put a greater focus on what education opportunities you attend or participate in. Did you know PMI Events, such as Monthly Luncheons count for education requirements? Your PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter is here to help! Members receive emails on member-only opportunities and offers for training events. Along with all events open to PM practitioners in our community are available at http://pmihnl.org/

For more information, you can check out PMI.org/CCR-Info as well as watch your PMI emails for continued updates as we approach and transition to the new system in December. Feel free to share questions or comments on our LinkedIn Group Discussion board (https://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=97799). Your board members are here to help ask for further clarification and support from PMI so please let us know what thoughts you have!

~Images courtesy of PMI.org.
The Laulima Tech Challenge 2015

Laulima Tech Challenge
By Jamie Champagne

At this event, small businesses around Oahu will present their business challenges pertaining to technical software solutions and/or social media presence. Students form their development teams and will be matched up with a PMI Mentor. Each team will have the opportunity to engage with these businesses in an effort to develop a viable solution. “http://laulimatechchallenge2015.challengepost.com/

Small businesses included Heart Beat Hawaii, Health Mothers Healthy Babies, Frost City, S3 Consulting, and Pr/Pr. The students worked to develop technical solutions and make recommendations on the business plan for future success.

Participants were judged on the Complexity of Business Judges included: Jamie Champagne, Hawaiian Telcom, Neenz Faleafine, Pono Media, LLC., Nicole Velasco, C&C Honolulu Neighborhood Commission Office, Jonas Vibell, Energy Excelerator.

It was a great opportunity to allow students to hear from local businesses about challenges they have today and allow them to get involved to help solve them. Similar to the Design Thinking concepts we utilize here at Hawaiian Telcom, the students had roughly 30 hours to come up with business plans, proposals, presentation and actual working software/prototypes. The solutions ranged from mobile apps to recommendations on re-branding the social image of the organization. One group even solved a software bug that had been existing on the company’s website for some time! It’s amazing to see what the students come up with in a short amount of time as I try to figure out how to apply the same principles to how we work in business today!
PMI Honolulu Hawaii is Getting Social!

There’s lots going on with the Chapter and ways to be involved, network and earn PDUs. The chapter is trying to make it easy to find information online and stay connected.

WEBSITE: http://pmihnl.org
We’ve made some updates to help you get involved, stay in the know and continue your development.

*Updated Main Menu to Get Involved and stay in the know!*

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💡 **TIP!** To now when new events are posted, you can always add an RSS feed to your own website or MS Outlook - Look for RSS feed icon:  

FACEBOOK: **LIKE** our Facebook Page at [PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter](https://www.facebook.com/pages/PMI-Honolulu-Hawaii-Chapter/133241093425318)  

Here you can find pictures from events, see what’s upcoming and connect with other PM practitioners!  
Don’t forget to **LIKE** postings or **COMMENT** with ideas or even **SHARE** on your own timeline!  

![Facebook Like Button](https://www.facebook.com/images/like/like_16x16.png) · **Like** · **Comment** · **Share**  

And **TAG** you and your friends in any picture posted!  

💡 **TIP!** On Events, click the **JOIN** button to add to your calendar (if setup will show on your mobile devices!).  

Also, **INVITE** others to help share the event.  

**TWITTER**: [@PMIHNL](https://twitter.com/PMIHNL)  
You can **FOLLOW** us on Twitter to know about events, discussions, and see what others in the PM community are doing!
Follow us on LinkedIn

LINKED IN: Follow PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter on LinkedIn for updates, events and PDU Opportunities!

Join in on discussions in the Project Management Institute Honolulu Chapter Group

Have more ideas or see other opportunity to connect online? Contact publicity@pmihnl.org!
Membership Corner

Our membership continues to grow as we aim for our 600th member! Please welcome our new members when you see them at any of our events or even online on Facebook or LinkedIn.

Additionally, our exam prep classes continue to help our community obtain credentials. Make sure you congratulate our newest PMPs on their hard work with such a successful achievement!

You can find out more about our Professional Development opportunities on our website: pemihnl.org

New Members (January - March 2015)

Ada Sonoda
Alan Arrowsmith
Alan Nguyen
Andrew Peterson
Anthony LaSoya
Bhawna Mundotia
Bob Souza
Brian Rambonga
Carl Miyamoto
Carolyn Johnson
Carston Feigleson
Chad Comunale
Charles Stableford
Cheryl Kaneshiro
Daniel Tousignant
Danny Mims
Dexton Lybbert
Donna Block
Doug Bush
Douglas Holdt
Elaf Badoghaish
Elita Kifer
Frank Chan
James Muller
Jason Philibotte
Jeremy Lewis
John Kump
Jose Guerrero
Joseph Hamel
Kathleen Pacini
Ken Aramaki
Kevin Hicks
Knikki Roberts
LaTeek Washington
Laurie Brooks
Lawrence Shaw
Leschon Serrano
Lydia Mertyris
Marcus Mendonca
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Reginald Hooks
Robert Nievera
Roy McKinney
Shelley Izuno
Steve Adiazola
Vijay Musaligari

TEST YOUR PMP KNOWLEDGE

Question 1. You are the manager of an aircraft design project. A significant portion of this aircraft will be designed by a subcontracting firm. How will this affect your communications management plan?

A. More formal verbal communication will be required.
B. Performance reports will be more detailed.
C. More formal written communication will be required.
D. Official communication channels will significantly increase.

"Check out PMI Honolulu Hawaii LinkedIn Group for answer!
https://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=97799".
Our PMI Honolulu Hawai‘i Chapter Values:

VISION

The PMI Honolulu, Hawai‘i Chapter will be recognized as an organization of Professional Project Managers dedicated to serving the business and educational communities of Hawai‘i through the advancement of Project Management.

MISSION

The Honolulu Chapter will provide a forum for Project Managers to promote the principles of the Project Management Institute through networking with other project managers, sharing of project experiences, training, education, and certification as a Project Management Professional.

Tobias Koehler attended the Asia Pacific PMI Leadership Institute Meeting (LIM) in March. There he connected with chapter leaders from chapters throughout the Asia and Pacific region.

Special thanks to newsletter contributors including Audrey Jewell, Rick Knaggs, Tobias Koehler, Elaf Badoghaish, and Rex Chiu

Earlier newsletter editions are available at our chapter website www.pmihnl.org

GOT NEWS or an ARTICLE? For newsletter inquiries, submissions & newsletter volunteering opportunities, please contact Jamie Champagne, Publicity Director, at publicity@pmihnl.org

Please LIKE our ‘PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter’ page on Face Book to follow the latest stories, photos and videos.
2015 Calendar

2015 PMP Exam Preparation (Spring, Summer, and Fall classes)

- **Spring class**
  - Feb 3 - Mar 14
- **Summer class**
  - Jun 2 - Jul 14
- **Fall class**
  - Sept 8 - Oct 17

**Monthly Meetings** (Luncheons held 3rd Wednesday each month, @ Plaza Club)

- **May 2015 Luncheon**
  - May 20, 2015
- **June 2015 Luncheon**
  - June 17, 2015
- **July 2015 Luncheon**
  - July 15, 2015
- **August 2015 Luncheon**
  - August 19, 2015

**Stay Tuned:**

- Breakfast Roundtable Meetings @ 2nd Tuesdays (Jan - Nov 2015)
- Pau Hana Networking Mixer @ 4th Thursday (Jan - Oct 2015)

**Events**

- **2015 Professional Development Day**
  - Sept 3, 2015

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