PMIHNL Will Host the 2018 PMI Region 7 Summit

This year the PMI Region 7 summit was held near Yosemite National Park. The theme was “Developing the Next Generation”. PMIHNL was fortunate to be able to sponsor two of our own Next Generation Leaders (NGLs) to attend the event. NGLs are our future leaders in the community as well as in our chapters. Our chapter representatives included Kane Ng-Osorio, Vice President, Gabriela Noriega, Special Projects Director, Audrey Jewell, Communications Director, Joslyn Sato, Academic Outreach Director, and NGLs Fabio van den Bylaardt and Idilia Alves Seixas.

Events included Financial Management of PMI Chapters, Fostering a Successful Mentoring Relationship, Strategic Policy Governance, Membership & Chapter Development, PMI Educational Foundation, and so much more. Our attendees have brought back knowledge and tools to help our board of directors build the chapter and better serve our members.

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As the winner of the bid, PMIHNL will be hosting this event in March 2018! This provides a rare opportunity for chapter members to volunteer at the event, have a sneak peek at sessions, network with other chapter leaders and Region 7 staff, and of course earn PDUs. This event is not open to the public nor chapter members in general, so we encourage you to volunteer.

“Participating in the Region 7 Summit was one of the greatest professional experiences I have ever had. I was able to get together with many Project managers and Next Gen leaders that are seeking same goals as me: Facilitating businesses in companies and showing how teamwork is important to achieve successful projects...” - Idilia Seixas, NextGen Leader

“Region 7 Leadership Summit was a great surprise. I was amazed by the professionalism of PMI Global and for the passion for learning and sharing knowledge of all the chapters who were present at the event. This experience definitely increased my desire to get even more involved with our local chapter...” - Fabio van den Bylaardt, Next Generation Leader.

“This is the first time I had a chance to attend the Region 7 Summit Meeting and I am so grateful for the opportunity to be able to represent our Honolulu Chapter! Not only did we get a chance to network and learn from other chapter leaders but the different sessions also gave valuable tools and insights for us to implement back home. I feel super energized with all the learnings obtained and am looking forward to see how it benefits our chapter members! ” - Gabriela Noriega, PMP, Special Projects Director

“My favorite take-away is the Birds of a Feather sessions where we connected with other chapter leaders performing similar functions not only because we learned from each other, but we’ll continue to collaborate and exchange information throughout the year in monthly virtual meetings. Continual benefit for the chapter!” - Audrey Jewell, Communications Director

“... I’m looking forward to our chapter hosting the 2018 Region 7 Summit. This will give our chapter leaders and volunteers better access to participate in this event. Participation in this event will give our volunteers strategies on how we can grow and be a better organization. I’m also very happy that we supported two Next Generation Leaders to attend this event. They are bringing great ideas back to support our chapter. Let’s do this!” - Kane Ng-Osorio, Vice President
Empowering Students with Project Management Tools

Did you know that most students start their project the day before it’s due?

While we can blame their procrastination, we can also consider that what comes natural to us, is foreign to both academic professionals and their students. Therefore, limiting students from having the awareness and skills to start a project sooner.

As shown in the picture, majority of the 200+ 8th grade students raised their hands acknowledging that they too wait until the day before to start their projects.

On March 3rd, our Director of Academic Outreach, Dr. Joslyn Sato, was given the opportunity to collaborate with Kapi‘olani Community College and Kaimuki Middle School’s 8th grade class in an event to increase student civic responsibility and learn project management skills.

KCC student leaders presented community issues and topics such as homelessness, Aloha, and animal cruelty. After listening to 3 of the speakers, each 8th grade team selected their project topic. Then it was time to learn about Project Management and begin to develop their project plan by using worksheets to identify their Scope and Schedule, provide their teacher Status Reports, and ultimately submit a Quality product that met their grading rubric.

Project Management is a life skill that can be used in personal, professional, and academic settings. As the academic environment moves toward project-based learning, career paths and academies, and focus on developing life and career skills, project management becomes a valuable integration to enhance a student’s learning experience.

If you have students or know of a school, club, or event that could value from learning about Project Management, please contact Dr. Joslyn Sato, Director of Academic Outreach (AcademicOutreach@pmihnl.org). If you would like to learn about PMI’s dedication to education, please visit the Project Management Institute Education Foundation (PMIEF.org).

Joslyn Sato, D.M., PMP
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HPU College of Business Students Present at HICE

At the Hawaii International Conference on Education, Friday, January 7, 2017, three HPU graduate students presented, "Exploring and Analyzing the Project Management Education Social Network in Honolulu". Idilia Alves Seixas (PMI and chapter member), Vahojeh Brooks, and Brian Lee collected data from PMI Honolulu Hawaii Chapter members at the 2016 annual dinner. Using network analysis, the students analyzed members' sources of project management education. Specifically, they looked at the type and frequency of sourced materials by PM experience and industry. The top 5 PM education sources for the participants are: 1) websites, 2) online courses, 3) webinars, 4) books, and 5) the PMI monthly lunch/speaker.

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The exam was moderately difficult but not impossible. I found that studying and taking practice tests over and over again was the key. I took a ScrumMaster training bootcamp through Scrum Alliance. I have been a ScrumMaster for over five years now and that really helped me a lot. I have also served as a Product Owner. Prior to that I had also been an Agile Developer. The mix between experience, reading, attending various conferences, and studying was very helpful in passing the exam. ProjectManagement.com through PMI has a lot of training videos that I found very helpful, not only for this but also for keeping up with the PMP training as well. The people at the test center in downtown Honolulu were really nice on the day of the exam. They know people are nervous and they were very pleasant. I would recommend that people bring something to eat and drink to the test center to stay hydrated and nourished. Do not go to the exam hungry!

Obtaining the ACP was actually one of my stretch goals that I along with my company came up with for me to achieve on my review. Having this as part of my planned goals also helped push me further to achieve this goal. I was very happy to obtain the certification and pass a strategic goal for the review. ~Amy Rosen

I started practicing agile and lean mindset and methodologies because they make complete sense to me - not just to apply in professional settings but especially in personal life as well! With the backing of PMI, the PMI-ACP certification will help me share the extremely powerful tools agile project management has to offer more effectively in helping others excel professional and personally.

Studying an exam prep book is probably enough to pass the test. The test was quite a bit harder than I originally thought - I used up the entire 3 hours. It was a relief to see ‘PASS’ on the screen at the end!

~Mei Wang
Welcome to Our Newest Members!

Welcome our newest members to join the PMI Honolulu Chapter this quarter! Make sure to say hello and introduce yourself at the next meeting!

Selena Aldrich
Liana Peiler
Edward Atchley
Matthew Osumi
Anthony Benabese
David Millard
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Martin Lightle
William Melville
Mark Cleaver
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Frankie Dumanal
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