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May Chapter Meeting & PDD Preview

May 17th - 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm, \$20 Chapter members, \$25 Non-members

Challenging the Status Quo: Reimaging Risk and Change Management

Projects drive change. Projects are how problems are solved. Projects are the way work is accomplished, and success, hinges on the teams responsible for execution! In today's fast paced, and often chaotic world, success requires bigger, faster, broader, different thinking and acting, and new tools, for our ways of working toolbox!

In this engaging, dynamic, and hands-on workshop, Julie Kowalski of Spizzerinctum Group will share specific tools and actions to broaden thinking, accelerate problem solving, challenge assumptions and the status quo, learn to say no in a way stakeholders appreciate hearing the no, and help you achieve even greater success!

Our May speaker is Julie Kowalski. Julie is a seasoned thought leader, inspiring coach, and superb facilitator, who elevates other's performance. We're so excited about Julie's skills and experience, that we're running the May chapter meeting as a precursor to PDD, when we could have the benefit of Julie's knowledge for a full day.

This event begins at 3:30 pm with a break at 5 pm for networking. Dinner and the second session begin at 5:30 pm. You can attend one or both sessions.

We'll be at CenterPlace for this event and dinner is included.

This event earns 3 PDUs: 1 in Power Skills, 1 in Business Acumen and 1 in Ways of Working.



May PMO Forum

May 9th, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Join local PMO leaders for a quarterly discussion of all things PMO! Topics include running a successful PMO, managing programs and portfolios, and navigating competing demands.

This free virtual event earns 1 Ways of Working PDU.

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Networking Event

May 11th - 5:00pm - 6:30pm

We're meeting at Utara Brewing Company (<https://utaraidaho.com>) in Sandpoint, ID! Enjoy craft beers, order food, and chat with your project management peers. We'll have questions ready for a group discussion so you can earn 1.25 Ways of Working PDUs.

This free event earns 1.25 PDUs in Ways of Working.

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A green banner for the Agile & Scrum 2023 Online Conference. On the left is a photo of a diverse group of people in a meeting, framed by a stylized globe graphic. On the right, the text reads: 'Agile & Scrum 2023 Online Conference. MOTIVATE. COLLABORATE. INNOVATE.' It lists the opening day as Thursday, June 1, 2023, and on-demand access from June 2 to September 4, 2023. Below this is a 'Register Today' section with the email 'learning@iill.com'. A row of six speaker portraits follows, each with a name and title: Dawn Nicole McCreath (Agile Coach), Ahmad Kibbi, Ph.D. (Agile Expert), Johannes Kibbi (Agile Transformation), Stephan Winkler (Agile Transformation), Shannon Huffman (Agile Expert), and Dan Smith (Agile Expert). At the bottom, it states '26 PMI® SEU's and PDU's Available' and features the ILL logo with the tagline 'International Institute for Learning Intelligence. Integrity. Innovation.'

Opening Day is Thursday, June 1st with access through September 4th.

Agile and Scrum 2023 Online Conference aims to inspire you to motivate, collaborate, and innovate within your teams and organizations. Through engaging keynotes, presentations, and networking opportunities, you will gain the knowledge and skills to foster a culture of motivation and collaboration, ultimately driving innovation in your work.

Earn up to 26 PDUs! Use the code PMIINW for \$15 off the registration price through out IIL partnership.

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Social Good & Membership Appreciation Lunch

June 4th, 9:00am - 1:00pm

PMI's Social Good program focuses on ways that PMI members can give back to their communities. This year, PMIINW will be helping to clean up a section of Riverfront Park in Downtown Spokane. We'll help the park from 9 - noon, and then break for lunch (provided by PMIINW).

We will send a specific meeting location a few days ahead of the event.

We hope you will spend the morning with us!

This free event does not earn PDUs.

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It's time to celebrate our Amazing Chapter Members!

New Members in March: 8 new members

- Lisa Ziebarth, Kevin Hackbarth, Kayle Lappen, Bobbi Hughes, Katie Chaffin, Samantha Mumford, Brandon Childs, Susanne Strang.

New Credentials in March: 2 members

- PMP ®: Benjamin Lynn, Dean Bell

Anniversaries in March:

- 5 Years: Brandon Ferchaud, Allisha Rutherford, Nancy Whittier, Tamara Wilson
- 15 Years: Davianne Buckley

Project Management Focus: Risk and Change Management

Ruth Powers, VP Programs

I am delighted to inform you that for the next two months, PMIINW is going to focus on Risk and Change management. During this time, we will provide you with educational resources, training, and networking opportunities to help you stay up to date with the latest industry trends and best practices.

be challenging to keep up and manage these aspects effectively. In this article, we will cover a couple of helpful tips to help you along your journey.

First and foremost, it's essential to recognize that the way we manage risk has changed, and we need to adapt to this change. With that said, here are a few tips to help you manage risk and change effectively:

- a. **Continuously review the project:** This may seem obvious, but it is essential and often overlooked. This has become increasingly important in the world of agile where change is a part of the framework. By keeping a close eye and being intentional about reviewing risk you will help foster a team that also works with risk and impact in mind. This attitude of review will help not just you but others adapt quickly when change happens.
- b. **Keep metrics that help the team:** It is crucial to keep metrics that help the team stay on top of things. For example, if you are working on a software project, you may want to keep track of the number of bugs found or the percentage of code coverage. These metrics will help you identify any potential issues before they become bigger problems. These metrics are different than the ones you use to keep your stakeholders in the loop. These are the ones that are for the team, and as such, they use the team to determine what will work most effectively for them.
- c. **Practice change management:** Change is inevitable, and it is essential to have a plan in place to manage it. Practice change management by having a clear process for implementing changes. Know on your team who is more adaptable to change and who is the most resistant. Use this knowledge to help keep your team motivated and, when change occurs, use the people who adapt question as champions for the change that is ahead. Continuously ask why you are doing things and don't accept the "this is how we have always done it" truly understand why something is being done.
- d. **Develop a strong network:** Lastly, develop a strong network. Working with other professionals is a great way to gain new insights and ideas. It can also help you identify potential risks and changes before they become larger problems. Meeting new people will help you adjust your perspective, growing your knowledge base exponentially.

Managing risk and change can be a daunting task, but with these tips, you can approach it more effectively. Remember to continuously review the project, keep metrics that help the team, practice change management, and network with others. By doing so, you can stay on top of things and ensure that your projects and your teams are successful.

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