

# Baseline Newsletter

## July 2025



PMI GREAT LAKES

### From the President's Desk

July – a few things are happening this Summer with PMIGL

- 8/9th - Have you & your friends registered for PMIGL's 10th Annual GOLF OUTING? During July, we are offering discount pricing, so look out for the email with the link to register. Do you have a foursome already? Bring your friends; they do not have to be a PMIGL member to join in the golfing FUN. Or you can register alone, and we will find a foursome for you to join. We will be serving lunch and as always, a fun, end of event RAFFLE.
- 8/11th – are you registered for our *Dinner meeting*?
- 8/19th – are you attending the *Member Appreciation event* – registration is FREE and required. Come receive recognition as a member of PMIGL and enjoy the FUN planned,
- 8/27th – keep an eye out for our *Lunch & Learn* session,
- Updated BYLAWS will be posted soon for 30 days for Membership to review and approval,
- Be on the lookout for PMIGL VP Elections – who will lead our Chapter in 2026 and beyond? – YOU decide!

What are you looking forward to participating in this summer? As PMIGL continues to serve our Members, please take advantage and realize the value of your PMIGL Membership.

**Synthia S. Adams**  
**President, PMI Great Lakes Chapter**  
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UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL

# MEMBER APPRECIATION DAY INVITATION

Join us for a unique opportunity to expand your professional network and foster collaboration, explore new job opportunities. Participate in engaging discussions, share insights, and form valuable connections with fellow managers. This networking event is designed to inspire growth and innovation. Don't miss your chance to elevate your career and make a lasting impact in your industry!

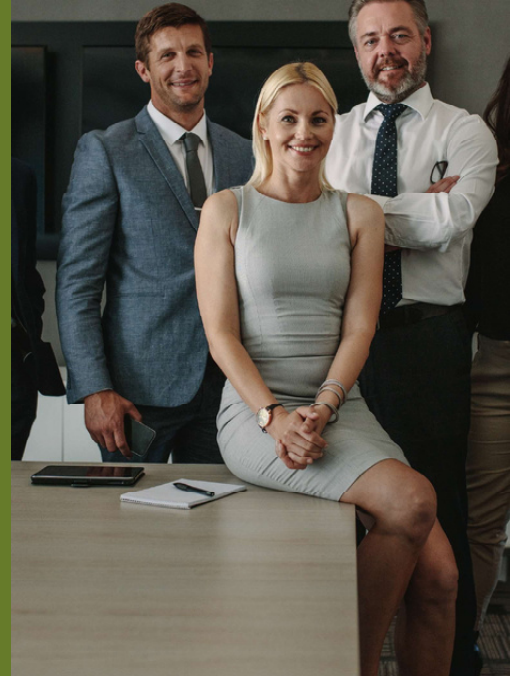
Connect, Collaborate, and Grow  
Together!

**Date : 19<sup>th</sup> Aug 2025**

**Venue : MSU Manangement Education Center,  
811 W Square Lake Rd, Troy MI 48098**

**Time : 5:30- 8:30 pm ,  
Light Snacks provided and Cash Bar available**

**More Details [Click here](#)**





Dear PMI Great Lakes Chapter Members and Valued Guests,

Tee Up for the PMI Great Lakes Chapter's 10th Annual Golf Outing! Get ready to swing into action!!

The Project Management Institute Great Lakes Chapter (PMIGL) is thrilled to announce our 10th Annual Golf Outing, a milestone event celebrating networking, camaraderie, and friendly competition on the greens.

This annual tradition is a fantastic opportunity to connect with fellow project management professionals, expand your network, and enjoy a beautiful day outdoors. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a casual golfer, you'll find it's a day packed with fun, challenges, and plenty of opportunities to make new connections.

Date: Friday, August 9, 2025

Location: Farmington Hills Golf Club

37777 11 Mile Ct, Farmington Hills, MI 48335

Agenda:

- 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM: Registration & Networking
  - 8:00 AM: Shotgun Start
- Immediately Following Play: Delicious Lunch Served & Awards Ceremony with Raffle Drawing
  - Format: Scramble (All skill levels are encouraged!)

Cost:

- Early Bird: \$65.00 (Register by July 15, 2025, 11:59 PM EDT)
  - After Jul 15, 2025: \$80.00
- Includes green fees, cart, lunch, and a chance to win fabulous prizes!



### Highlights of the Day:

- Networking: Connect with project management leaders, peers, and potential collaborators from various industries.
- Contests & Prizes: Test your skills with exciting on-course contests (e.g., Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, Hole-in-One opportunities – details to be announced!).
- Fabulous Prizes: Participate in our raffle drawing for a chance to win exciting prizes.
- Delicious Lunch: Enjoy a satisfying meal and unwind with your fellow golfers after your round.

### RSVP & Registration:

Spaces are limited and this event sells out quickly, so don't delay! Take advantage of the early bird pricing by registering before July 15, 2025.

Click here to register now!

<https://pmiglc.org/event-registration?eventId=41675>

For any questions regarding the golf outing, please contact Rajesh Sivakumar at:

[Director.Memberpromotion@pmiglc.org](mailto:Director.Memberpromotion@pmiglc.org)

We look forward to celebrating our 10th Annual Golf Outing with you and making this our best one yet! Thank you for your continued support of the PMI Great Lakes Chapter.





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# 2025 GOLF OUTING

RAFFLES  
**Grand  
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Join us for a day of golf,  
relaxation, and networking!  
All on a stunning 18 hole  
course right in your  
neighborhood at Farmington  
Hills Golf Club!



**Saturday Aug 9, 2025**



**7:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**REGISTER NOW**



**Farmington Hills Golf Club**  
37777 11 Mile Ct,  
Farmington Hills, MI 48335

# Professional Development Day 2025

**Sustainable Project Management:  
Driving Change for a Greener Future**



## DATE

**FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 24TH, 2025  
7.00 am - 4.00 pm**

## VENUE

**MSU Management  
Education Center 811  
W Square Lake Rd  
Troy, MI, 48098**

## PRICING

**Members: \$185  
Non-Members: \$230**

**REGISTER HERE**



**Join us for PMI Great Lakes Chapter's Professional Development Day!**

**This year's theme — Sustainable Project Management: Driving Change for a Greener Future — brings together inspiring keynote speakers and expert voices from across the country and within our own chapter.**

**Earn PDUs, connect with fellow professionals, and gain fresh insights to drive lasting impact in your projects.**

**Spots are still available — register now for just \$185 (only \$10 more than early bird pricing) for a limited time!**



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## Ready to Get Certified? Take Advantage of Discounted Exam Prep Training!

Are you thinking about taking the next step in your project management career? Whether you're aiming for your **PMP®**, **CAPM®**, **PMI-ACP®**, or **Professional Scrum Master** certification, now is a great time to start preparing — and saving!

PMI Great Lakes Chapter (PMIGLC) is proud to partner with [Peak Business Management](#) to offer **discounted exam prep** training for both **members and non-members**. These courses are taught by experienced instructors and are designed to help you confidently prepare for the certification exam that aligns with your career goals.

As a PMIGLC member (or even if you're not!), you can receive **up to \$200 off** the cost of certification training through this partnership. Whether you're a seasoned professional looking to earn your PMP or a newcomer interested in the CAPM, this is a smart, cost-effective way to get started.

Have questions about the certification process or which path might be right for you? Feel free to reach out to me, **Ron Papa, Director of Certifications**, [\*\*director.certifications@pmiglc.org\*\*](mailto:director.certifications@pmiglc.org)

I'm happy to help!

Let's take your project management career to the next level — together



## ***PM Musings by Dr. William A Moylan, PhD, PMP, FESD, DTM*** **Simple Travel Tips for Your Project Journey**

In early June, my wife Peggy and I spent 2 ½ glorious weeks in France. Our trip included two weeks in the Provence region near Gordes and concluded with a few days in Paris to revisit the rebuilt Notre Dame Cathedral. Highly recommended it. Yet, getting ready for the trip was probably the most stressful part of our journey. Did we lock all the doors at home? Turn off the PC? What time does the flight leave? And where are those confirmation emails for the pre-booked hotels? The pre-vacation panic spiral is real, common, and can leave any traveler feeling like a chaotic mess before taking that fateful step in the airport. (Just think of how frantic that opening scene was in *Home Alone* and know it *doesn't* have to be that way.)

A very good article (*Travel*, May 29, 2025) offered six simple travel tips that I followed and made my trip considerably less stressful. The suggestions came from Samantha Brown, an experienced global traveler and journalist. Her travel prep style is all about reducing anxiety before it starts — keeping things simple, intentional, and calm. From how to pace one's itinerary to the importance of daily rituals, following Brown's tips made my travel feel like the break it was intended to be, before and during my trip.

On reflection, these simple travel tips may be astutely applied to any *project* journey. Herein are my suggestions to help reduce the stress and strain of our professional work aligned with the Samantha Brown tips for smart, stress-reducing travel tips.

### **Samantha Brown Tip #1: “Pack a week in advance (seriously)” /**

#### **Dr. Bill PM Tip – *Finalize Your Detailed Project Schedule at least a month prior to kickoff***

This Project tip helps avoid the last-minute scramble to publish the Project “Kick-Off” Package at the zero hour of the kick-off meeting. In addition, having your Project “bags” packed [published] in advance gives the PM and Team the mental breathing room to handle other last-minutes details of the Project kick-off meeting [departure].

**Samantha Brown Tip #2: “Arrive at the airport earlier than you think you need to” / Dr. Bill PM Tip – *Arrive, well prepared, at all Project Meetings at least 20 minutes early***

Arriving early to project meetings allows adequate time for room set-up and the critical socialization time between the Team and the Project Sponsors. The best way to remove 90% of meeting stress is to allocate sufficient time for meeting preparation.

**Samantha Brown Tip #3: “Remember: even dream trips need a warm-up”**

**Dr. Bill PM Tip – *Start the Project workweek with a Team warm-up***

My travel warm-up ritual is to review the local city map with a coffee [morning] or wine [evening]. My suggested warm-up to the project workweek is to review the project “map” – the Project Execution Plan / Executive Summary with by the Team. This warm-up may be held that best suits the Team - at 1 p.m. on Monday, 9 a.m. on Tuesday, team lunch on Thursday, or whenever. The important part is that the Team considers the ritual as a pre-start for the workweek journey ahead.

**Samantha Brown Tip #4: “Plan only one big event a day”**

**Dr. Bill PM Tip – *Plan no more than one big Project event a day***

What a great tip! Executing a major Project event requires preparation, coordination and cooperation with the Project Stakeholders, and timely follow-up. This tip helps the PM and Team to properly focus on the big event with the proper prioritization while deferring other, non-essential Project tasks to later.

**Samantha Brown Tip #5: Schedule a 3 p.m. break —no matter what**

**Dr. Bill PM Tip – *Schedule a late afternoon break -no matter what***

The afternoon repast on my France trip included a glass [or two] of properly chilled French Rose or an Aperol Spritz shared amongst our travel companions. [My “job” was to serve as the wine sommelier / beverage connoisseur.] Although the beverage selection will require modification, the intention is to take a mid/late afternoon reset and to slow down when one’s energy and patience both naturally tend to dip. Take permission to go slower, matching biorhythms with one’s physical, mental and emotional states.

**Samantha Brown Tip #6: Create a simple daily ritual**

**Dr. Bill PM Tip – *Create a simple daily ritual***

Rituals help one feel grounded, even in unfamiliar locations or situations. Picking one comforting thing to repeat daily [e.g., trip to the local coffee shop, morning stroll, completing the NYT Wordle puzzle], affords one the comfort to relax without having to think too intently about the Project. The relaxed Project Manager is a very effective leader.

So, for a more pleasant project journey, incorporate the proper preparation, pacing, and the well-timed pastry break. These suggested PM Travel Tips will help transform even the most chaotic project journey into a composed endeavor.

As always, your questions, comments and criticisms are welcome. Feel free to contact me in care of email: [William.moylan@emich.edu](mailto:William.moylan@emich.edu)

Best regards,

***Dr. Bill***

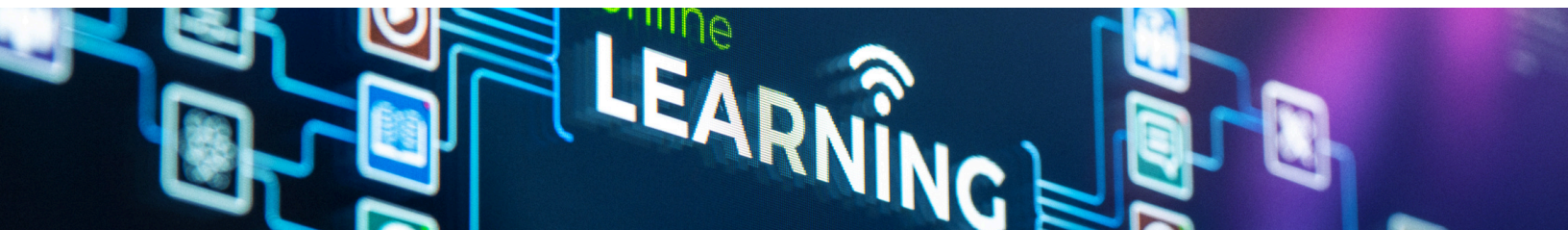
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# Job Opportunity

The PMI Job Board has enhanced features, making it easier to connect job seekers and employers in the project management industry. You can access PMIGL's Job Board of local postings at <https://pmiglc.org/job-postings>



## **What is Disciplined Agile Certification?**

As a leader in project management education, we are working with Peak Business Management to offer the official PMI Disciplined Agile workshop and DASM certification program for individuals looking to pass the exam and become a Disciplined Agile Scrum Master (DASM). Learn more at <https://pmiglc.org/peakbusinessmanagement>

## **Earn Free PDUs!**

Peak Business Management, is offering chapter members free PDUs! Please [visit their website](#) for more details. Be sure to use the password PeakPDU0922 to access this offer.

## **PMIGL is thrilled to shine a light on our partnership with IIL.**

Members have access to an incredible array of benefits and amazing opportunities such as discounts on courses, free webinars, and so much more. Please visit the IIL/PMIGL website

## **What is KICKOFF™?**

KICKOFF™ is a free, interactive project management course that only takes 45 minutes to complete. Use it to get up to speed on project management basics. Once you're done, you can share a badge that shows you know the basics of managing projects from start to finish. Please visit <https://www.pmi.org/kickoff/> for more Information.

## **Stay Up to Date with PMIGL**

Help promote PMIGL by following us on [Facebook](#), [X \(Twitter\)](#) and [LinkedIn](#), and share our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities as you see posted. You never know what door may open!



Welcome New Members & Congratulations on Milestone Anniversaries  
Congratulations to members on their milestone anniversaries this month. Thank you for your valued membership and continued support!  
Also, welcome to our new members who recently joined the chapter.



## Sustained Annual Sponsorship Opportunities for 2025

Sponsors and recruiters are invited to connect with the PMIGL marketing team ([director.marketing@pmiglc.net](mailto:director.marketing@pmiglc.net)) to participate in PMIGL events,

For the 2025 Golf outing:

Individual hole and event sponsorships are welcome . Please click on the following link to download the sponsor information packet for details and sponsor benefits:

<https://pmiglc.org/static/uploaded/Files/Documents/Sponsorship/2025-Sponsorship-Packet-Master.pdf>

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