

Friday, 04 January

Welcome to the Pittsburgh Chapter

Happy New Year!!!! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and are relaxed, ready and energized to kick off 2013 to a great start!!

The new Board is getting ready for our annual Strategic Planning Session in mid-January. We will be identifying our goals and objectives for 2013, and hope to have some new and exciting things to offer you our members. We invite all suggestions and recommendations; please feel free to reach out to any of us with your ideas.....

Also, for those of you thinking about getting your PMP in 2013, please see the details below regarding our upcoming PMP preparation class. It's a great way to prepare for the exam – Fred and his team always do a great job!

There's much more going on in January at your PMI chapter. Please check out the website for details and to register/get involved. Hope to see you at an upcoming event!

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Susan Keaney  
President

Meetings

2013 January Chapter Presentation

**When:** Thursday, January 10, 2013, 6:00PM - 8:00PM  
**Location:** ESWP, 337 Fourth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

[Register here](#)

Please join us for the 2013 January Chapter Presentation. The dinner begins at 6:00 pm with the presentation following at the Engineer's Society of Western Pennsylvania in downtown Pittsburgh. Check the [Pittsburgh PMI Website](#) for additional information to be posted.

Healthcare LIG Presentation

**When:** Thursday, January 10, 2013, 5:00PM, prior to monthly chapter meeting  
**Topic:** Implementation and Use of Information Technology in Healthcare Industry  
**Presented by:** Nandan Banerjee  
**Location:** ESWP, 337 Fourth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

**Speaker Bio:** Nandan Banerjee is the CEO and co-founder of COGENT INFOTECH CORPORATION (<http://www.cogentinfo.com/index.php>). He has 16 years of experience in the Information Technology industry in both advisory and operational roles. His visionary leadership and can do attitude are propelling COGENT into a fast growing, premier IT services provider. In his role as CEO, Nandan has full responsibility for COGENT's global delivery, client servicing, process initiatives and general management. Nandan has held various management and operational positions throughout his career. He

has worked in various roles managing global resourcing and strategic supply chain relationships with diverse companies. He holds a Masters Degree in Electronics from University of Bombay, and a degree in Business Management

#### IT LIG Meeting

**When:** Wednesday January 16, 2013, 6:00PM - 7:00PM, with pizza being served at 5:30.

**Topic:** An Introduction to Legal Issues in Open Source Software

**Presented by:** Brienne Terril

**Location:** Pittsburgh Tech Council, 2000 Technology Drive #100, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

The use of open source software and other free software provides developers with many benefits in terms of cost, interoperability and customization. Although the use of such software may be free of cost, it is usually not free of responsibility. As such, it is important to understand what terms and conditions apply to open source usage and how to comply with such terms and conditions.

Join Fox Rothschild attorney Brienne Terril for this introduction to the legal issues involved in using, modifying and developing open source software. Brienne will discuss the different types of licensing arrangements that may apply to open source software usage, and will provide an overview of the risks and consequences associated with each. She will also highlight suggestions for implementing best practices with respect to using open source software.

**Speaker Biography:** Brienne Terril is an associate in the Pittsburgh office of Fox Rothschild LLP. Brienne is a registered patent attorney and a member of the firm's intellectual property practice group. She helps clients manage issues involving patents, trademarks, copyrights and licensing. She regularly provides counsel on issues relating to product and technology development across a diverse array of technologies including computer security systems, robotic devices, medical devices, mobile communications devices, e-commerce systems and security and encryption technologies. Additionally, Brienne has significant experience negotiating and preparing technology transfer and licensing agreements. Brienne holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from Bucknell University and a J.D. from Wake Forest University School of Law.

#### Training

Pittsburgh PMI has many project management educational opportunities! Please check [www.PittsburghPMI.org](http://www.PittsburghPMI.org) periodically for more details and to register for these events. (The following training information is subject to change.)

#### PMP Preparation Class 2013

Become a certified PMP!

Click [here](#) to register.

This is a great class at a great value for your preparation to become a PMP!

Mark your calendars – the PMP Preparation Class will be held on five consecutive Saturdays in 2013 as follows:

- o February 16
- o February 23
- o March 2
- o March 9
- o March 16

Each day is planned to run from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM with lunch and other snacks & beverages provided.

35 PDUs will be awarded!

This course includes a text book, study guide, online resources, practice exams, instructor support, and more!

This will be in or near downtown Pittsburgh.

Cost: \$1095

Pittsburgh PMI Member Discount: \$225 (Please login to website to get your discount.)

Early Bird Discount, register before 1 Jan 2013: \$50

Late fee after 8 February 2013: \$75 -- materials may not arrive until the second week of class

Please contact [FredBKoos@IEEE.org](mailto:FredBKoos@IEEE.org) with any questions.

Interested in being an instructor for the Spring 2013 PMP review class?

Please contact [FredBKoos@IEEE.org](mailto:FredBKoos@IEEE.org)

PMP/CAPM Certification Study Groups

Complement PMP certification training with our live and online study group. This is a self-organized study group enabled by the Pittsburgh PMI Chapter.

Being "self-organized" we are looking for participant and facilitators for our succession plan.

Please contact [FredBKoos@IEEE.org](mailto:FredBKoos@IEEE.org) to be a leader or to participate.

PMP Volunteers are needed to answer questions during PMP Study Group sessions. Please contact [FredBKoos@IEEE.org](mailto:FredBKoos@IEEE.org).

Lead Local PMI Events and Earn PDUs:

Directors are needed for the following two Pittsburgh PMI events.

Please contact [FredBKoos@IEEE.org](mailto:FredBKoos@IEEE.org).

- PMP Preparation Class
- Professional Development Day

PMI Communities of Practice (COPs)

Please check [www.PMI.org](http://www.PMI.org) for information on many PMI Communities of Practice.

Professional Development Day (PDD) for Project Management!

We held a very successful first Professional Development Day with from the Pittsburgh PMI Chapter in November!

Mark your calendars for the first Wednesday of November in 2013 also!

Sponsors:

- PMCentersUSA, <http://www.pmcentersusa.com>
- Lambert Consulting Group, <http://www.lambertconsultinggroup.com>

Successfully Completed Training Sessions in 2012

- Professional Development Day – Planning Successful Projects in a Collaborative Environment
- Dale Carnegie - Advancing Projects Through Motivational Leadership

- Tres Roeder - Develop Collaborative, Winning Teams
- Agile PMI-ACP Exam Prep Workshop – ripplerock
- PMP Preparation Class
- Lee Lambert – Using Myriad PM Tools to Create and Communicate Vital Decision Support Information
- Program Management training with Consult USA

#### Social Media Posting of Pittsburgh PMI Training Information

In addition to training information being posted on [www.PittsburghPMI.org](http://www.PittsburghPMI.org), information is often posted at the following social media locations. More may come in the future.

- LinkedIn Group: Pittsburgh PMI
- New Facebook: Project Management Institute-Pittsburgh Chapter
- Twitter: @Fred\_Koos

Two other useful Twitter people to follow are below.

- Twitter for our the IT LIG: @Pgh\_PMI\_IT\_LIG
- Twitter for PMI: @PMIInstitute

Enjoy!

#### Outreach

What does PMI Educational Foundation (PMIEF) offer?

Annually, PMIEF awards over US \$400,000 in scholarships, awards, and doctoral research grants. Scholarships are available to students, teachers, nonprofit/nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), and project managers.

PMIEF partners with nonprofit organizations to incorporate project management into youth programs and workforce development programs.

PMIEF provided more than US \$300,000 in grants to develop youth programs, nonprofit/NGO training materials, teacher training materials, and workforce development programs for unemployed workers.

PMIEF offers no cost educational resources (for non commercial use) that include curricula for youth aged 6 – 20, career resources, training materials for teachers and nonprofits/NGOs, and materials to build project management skills for life.

PMIEF is working with US States and ministers of education to promote project management as a critical life and professional skill, as well as to implement project management related curricula.

Please visit [www.pmief.org](http://www.pmief.org) to find out more about PMIEF's programs and educational resources. For further information or questions please contact our PMIEF liaison Isabelle Zacharias: [PMIEF\\_liaison@Pittsburghpmi.org](mailto:PMIEF_liaison@Pittsburghpmi.org)

#### Membership

Your Chapter Needs You!

Contribute to the Pittsburgh Chapter, increase your professional network and get to know others involved in your profession. PMPs can earn valuable PDU's in addition to making a contribution to the Project Management Profession! Volunteers and Operational Team members earn up to 5

PDU's per year and elected officers earn up to 10 PDU's a Year. Check out the [chapter website](#) for more details...

### New Chapter Members

As of January 02, 2013 the chapter has 1386 members. Please join us in welcoming the following new chapter members: [Mary Albin](#), [Tiana Ambrose](#), [John Arnold](#), [Jeffrey Bell](#), [Richard Bernet](#), [Angela Blanton](#), [Daniel Bolena](#), [Patrick Brennan](#), [David Briscoe](#), [Douglas Brown](#), [Frank Caputo](#), [Dave Costantino](#), [Jon Cwalina](#), [Mohinder Dick](#), [Deborah Doncals](#), [Carol Drew](#), [Dave Erfort](#), [Lisa Fitz](#), [Srinivasan Gopalan](#), [Achuth Gopinathan](#), [Manuel Graeber](#), [Jeremiah Greaves](#), [Anthony Guzzi](#), [Keith High](#), [Zerlina Jackson](#), [Elizabeth Johnsen](#), [Jeremy Joyner](#), [Greg Kassimer](#), [David Klotz](#), [Michael La Bertew](#), [Craig Lehman](#), [Jim Mahony](#), [Lou Martina](#), [Lisa Mclaughlin](#), [Lee Montanari](#), [Seth Neustein](#), [Ranjit Panigrahi](#), [Jeffrey Parkhurst](#), [Regina Payne-Owings](#), [Robert Pribish](#), [Merritt Ranstead](#), [Leon Ravenna](#), [Tanu Sarkar](#), [Karen Schmidt](#), [Peter Schogel](#), [Kevin Shoup](#), [Stephanie Simmons](#), [Arunkumar Sonth](#), [Rob Spikula](#), [Claire Suplee](#), [Randy Vollen](#), [Samuel Wagner](#), [Jeff Wilkins](#), [Barb Wiltzius](#), [Elena Wright](#), [Kerry Wright](#), [Gus Zourelias](#)

### New Chapter PMPs

As of January 02, 2013 the chapter has 922 PMPs. Please join us in congratulating the following new chapter PMPs: [Keith Allen](#), [Anna C Butler](#), [Jon Cwalina](#), [Mohinder Dick](#), [Vincent Ditri](#), [Carolyn Lehecka](#), [Diane Mastramico](#), [Jared Orth](#), [Ranjit Panigrahi](#), [Tom Peters](#), [William Reed](#), [George Richert](#), [David Sheridan](#)

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