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Time To Get Back in the Swing



After taking a summer break,
our meetings start up again
with the September meeting.
Hope to see you there!

Vendor Night a Big Success!

The May meeting features six vendors who were given the opportunity to set up a table with information on their products and services, address individual member questions, then address the entire group after dinner. The meeting was well attended and most of those who attended won a door prize.

The vendors at the meeting included:

- Strategic Innovations
- Russell Martin and Associates
- ESI International
- Strategic Solutions
- Griffin Tate Group
- Catalyst, Inc

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Linda Nobel

"Theory of Constraint and Critical Chain Methodology"

Monday, September 23, 2002

6:00 PM Dinner, 7:15 PM Program

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NEIC PMI Vendor Night



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PMI Approaches 100,000 Members

And You Could Be A Winner!

PMI® total membership is rapidly approaching 100,000 members. To commemorate this important and exciting milestone, PMI is sponsoring a contest and celebration, with corporate support from the International Institute of Learning (IIL). In addition to honoring the person who becomes the 100,000th member, PMI is inviting you to share in the excitement by entering a contest to guess the date and time when the 100,000th member will join PMI.

You could be our lucky contest winner! Simply log onto the Members Area of the PMI Web site, www.pmi.org, and enter your guess for the date and time when the 100,000th member will join. If you guess correctly, you could win these valuable prizes!

One year of free membership plus membership in a Chapter and a Specific Interest Group

Free registration to attend a PMI Congress in 2003

A \$100.00 U.S. gift certificate to PMI's online bookstore

Registration for either a two-module e-SeminarsWorld® or a two-day SeminarsWorld® course

Three hours of informational searches from the PMI Knowledge and Wisdom Center

Please encourage your colleagues who are not PMI members to join. One of them could be the 100,000th member and win the same prize package detailed above.

The contest is limited to one entry per member. Complete contest rules and alternate entry options are available online.

Good Luck!

Darah L. Filidore

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About PMI:

The Project Management Institute (PMI), with nearly 95,000 members in 125 countries, is the world's foremost authority for the project management profession. PMI sets industry standards, conducts research, and provides education, certification, and professional exchange opportunities, designed to strengthen and further establish the profession. PMI advances the careers of practitioners, while enhancing overall business and government performance through documentation of return on investment. For more information visit www.pmi.org.

unSOUNDbites

"The wireless music box has no imaginable commercial value. Who would pay for a message sent to nobody in particular?"

One of David Sarnoff's associates in response to his urging for investment in the radio in the 1920s.

Chapter Calendar

Get out your Day Timer or PDA and add the following meeting dates in 2002:

September 23

October 28

December 2

Most meetings will be on the fourth Monday of the month but May and December are exceptions. All meetings will be at Don Hall's Guest House. Our social time starts at 5:30, dinner is at 6:00 and the program begins at 7:00. Don't forget to RSVP!

BALESTRERO NAMED CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF PMI

Gregory Balestrero has been named chief executive officer of The Project Management Institute (PMI®), the world's leading not-for-profit professional association for project management.

Balestrero, who will join PMI in mid-October 2002, succeeds Virgil Carter, former executive director of the Institute.

As CEO, Balestrero will provide chief executive leadership in the areas of board, executive relations and governance. He is accountable to the PMI Board of Directors for overall organizational performance in achieving the strategic direction established by the elected leadership. In his capacity as CEO, Balestrero is expected to offer key executive oversight of operational strategies, priorities, decision-making and conduct of Institute business.

Balestrero has over 20 years of executive level association experience, most recently serving as executive director of the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI), an organization for construction professionals in non-residential building construction, based in Alexandria, Virginia USA. He previously held the position of executive director at the Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIE) and is chairman-elect of the Greater Washington Society of Association Executives (GWSAE).

An industrial engineer by training, Balestrero is also an active member and former president of the Council of Engineering and Scientific Society Executives (CESSE). He is a current member of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE); the Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIE); and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME). He has been honored with Fellowship in the World Academy of Productivity Scientists and is an Honorary Member of Alpha Pi Mu, an industrial



engineering honor society. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

"Gregory presents the proven leadership and association experience to guide PMI in its next phase of global growth and recognition. We are confident that PMI will continue to prosper under his leadership as demonstrated by his abilities to reach out to membership and the important markets that sustain that

membership. His core understanding of what drives PMI and the profession will prove to be an asset to the Institute," said Rebecca Ann Winston, Chair, PMI Board of Directors.

"PMI represents an exciting and unique opportunity. The PMI leadership and staff have recreated the excitement and growth that rarely exists beyond the infancy of most organizations. It is obvious that PMI has focused its resources squarely on the needs of the members and other project management practitioners worldwide. It is an extraordinary opportunity to become part of the PMI team at this juncture in its life," says Gregory Balestrero, new PMI CEO.

September Dinner Menu

Hawaiian Chicken
Tossed Green Salad
Rice Pilaf
Brandied Belgian Carrots
Vanilla Mousse with Raspberry Sauce

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IT Leadership Alchemy

By Lou Russell and Jeff Feldman

Summary

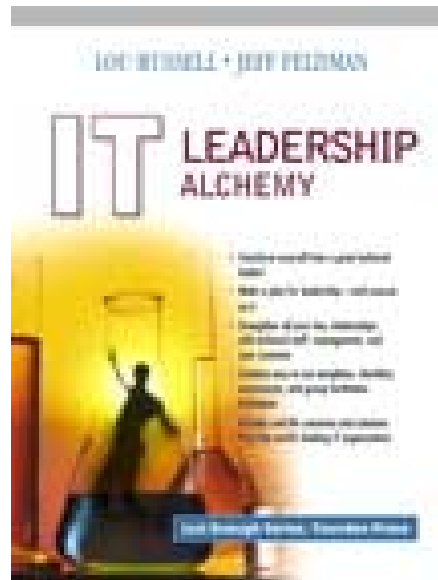
- Transform yourself into a great technical leader!
- Make a plan for leadership—and execute on it
- Strengthen all your key relationships: with technical staff, management, and your customer
- Contains easy-to-use templates, checklists, assessments, and group facilitation techniques
- Includes real-life scenarios and solutions from the world's leading IT organizations

The practical, hands-on guide to winning IT leadership.

- Make a plan for becoming a great leader—and execute on it
- Build win-win relationships with clients, managers, technical professionals, and other key stakeholders
- Beyond getting to market fast—how to get it right
- Includes easy-to-use tools proven in the world's leading organizations

Today's IT leaders must manage unprecedented rates of change and growth in a radically new and extraordinarily complex environment. Drawing on the insights of a world-class panel of IT and business leaders, *IT Leadership Alchemy* identifies the core relationship management skills that underlie every facet of successful IT leadership. Then, through practical templates, checklists, assessment tools, and real-life scenarios, this book shows IT managers exactly how to strengthen, deepen, and leverage those skills.

- Covers all three key building blocks of IT management success: self assessment, work with others, and alignment
- Addresses every aspect of technical leadership, from staff development to strategy
- Offers expert, hands-on techniques for improving your communication skills
- Covers recruitment, retention, and team leadership
- Includes practical techniques for sharpening your



customer/client focus

IT Leadership Alchemy is the first book that precisely targets the crucial human and business skills you need to succeed in IT management—and gives you a detailed program for developing all of them. From motivating brilliant people to managing brutal schedules, this book will be by your side—all the way to the top.

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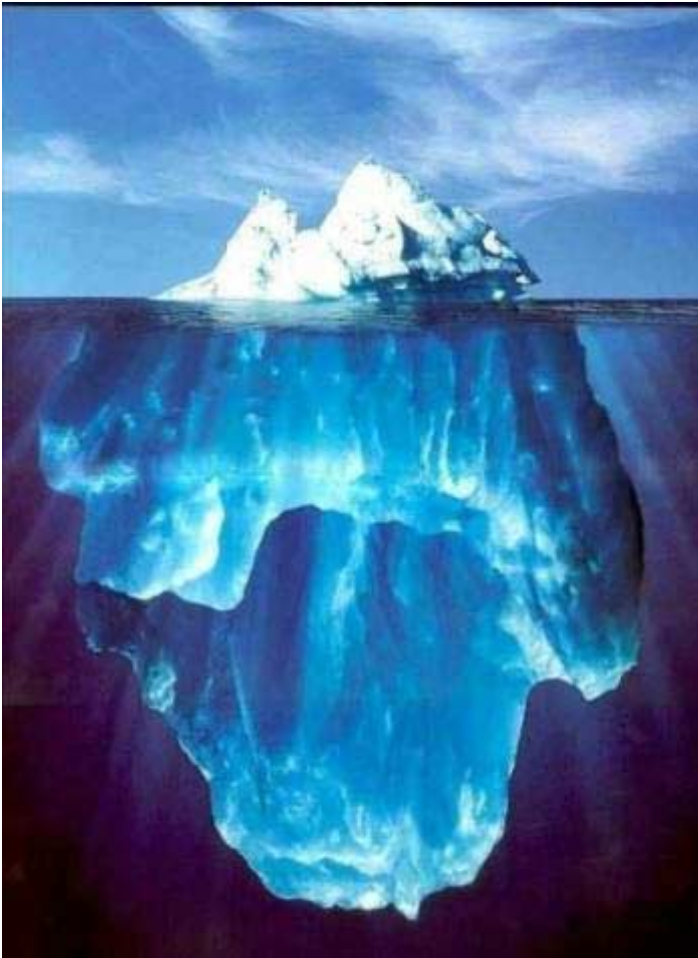
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EVER SEE AN ICEBERG FROM TOP TO BOTTOM?

This is awesome! This came from a Rig Manager for Global Marine Drilling in St. Johns, Newfoundland. They actually have to divert the path of these things away from the rig by towing them with ships! Anyway, in this particular case the water was calm and the sun was almost directly overhead so that the diver was able to get into the water and click this picture. Clear water huh?! They estimated the weight at 300,000,000 tons. And now we also know why they say one picture is worth 1000 words.... And now we also know why Titanic Sank!

Does this remind you of a project that you have worked on?

September Meeting

Theory of Constraints

Presented by Linda Nobel

Product Development Process Manager, International Technology & Development Center

Theory of Constraints (TOC) is a relatively new management science invented by Dr. Eliyahu Goldratt. TOC provides tools and concepts that can help make people and organizations more productive according to their goals. The presentation will review the basic principles and concepts of TOC, including the difference between the Critical Chain Method (CCM) versus the Critical Path Method (CPM) of scheduling. It will also briefly review some of the similarities / differences and strengths / weaknesses between TOC and other more traditional methods of management such as Earned Value Management.



Northeast Indiana Chapter Project Management Institute

Linda Nobel

Product Development Process Manager
International Technology & Development Center

*Theory of Constraint and Critical Chain Methodology,
An Overview of a New Management Science*

Monday, September 23, 2002

Social Time at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM, Program at 7:00 PM

Don Hall's Guest House

1313 West Washington Center Rd, Fort Wayne, IN

Dinner

Members \$20

Nonmembers \$25

Speaker Only

Members *Free*

Nonmembers \$5

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