

February Dinner Meeting

Date: Thursday February 16, 2006
Time: Meet & Greet: 5:30 PM
Dinner: 6:00 PM
Meeting: 6:30 PM
Speaker: 6:45 PM

Speaker: John Spencer
Projects at BLAIR

Place: Porters Restaurant & Tap Room
123 West 14th Street
Erie, PA 16501
814-452-2787

Cost: Members - \$15
Non-members - \$20
Meeting Only – Free

RSVP: by Thursday before the meeting if possible!
Online Registration at www.pmierie.org

Upcoming Meetings & Speakers

Upcoming speakers are not finalized, but keep these dates in your calendar:
March 16th
April 20th

For complete information on our upcoming meetings and events, please visit our web site at www.pmierie.org.

**** Please contact Randy Long, Vice President of Programs, if you would be interested in being a Speaker! rlong@pmierie.org**

Dinner Meeting Reservations

Please visit our website at www.pmierie.org to make your dinner meeting reservations. We have to provide Porters with an expected headcount by 1 week prior to the meeting, so get your reservations in early.

You can pay for your dinner at the door. Please remember that we make reservations at Porters for a certain number of people based on the online reservations we receive. If you make a dinner reservation, and do not attend the dinner, you will be billed for your meal.



CHAPTER MEETINGS

February Speaker:

John Spencer is a Business Solutions Analyst in Information Services at Blair Corporation in Warren, Pennsylvania; a position he has held since February, 2003. In his role, John's primary responsibility is to work with key people throughout the business to identify areas where packaged software solutions can improve the business. Once identified, John leads the team through a thorough software selection process followed by the installation and roll-out of the new software system. At Blair, John has led the implementation of an Inventory Mgmt System, a wholesale enterprise system, a marketing campaign mgmt system, and is currently leading the roll-out of a supply chain mgmt system. He has also participated in other key projects including a media publishing system and the Credit Portfolio Sale project. John also has responsibility for Sarbanes-Oxley compliance within Information Services.

Prior to Blair, John worked at the Orvis Company, a catalog company based in Vermont; Andersen Consulting, a technology and business consulting company where he was based in New York City; and Global Information Systems Technology, a small computer-based training company in Champaign, IL. John holds a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Washington University in St. Louis, and an MBA from the University of Illinois.



Meet Bob Spinelli –
Our Chapter President
Bob can be reached at:
rspinelli@pmierie.org

Membership Matters

The Erie PMI Chapter welcomes new members - Please encourage your colleagues to get involved with our PMI-Erie. Bringing them as guests to our meetings is a great way to show the primary value provided by this growing and dynamic chapter. This month we are pleased to welcome:

**Mr. Michael B. Schell, Railpower Hybrid and
Randall Slomski, Railpower Hybrid Tech.**

We currently have 53 members.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the PMI Erie PA Chapter, please contact Bruce McCall, Vice President of Membership, or visit our web site at www.pmierie.org.

If you are a member, and have not received your PMI Erie Shirt, please contact Bruce McCall.

Officers and Committee Membership

Contact the board members if you would like to assist in any of the activities of the chapter management team.

PRESIDENT: Robert Spinelli (Bob)

Finance: Tom Rose

Education – Howard Steinfield, with Eric Podgers and Tom Rose

Communication & Publicity – Tom Blecki, David Mahoney, Diana Day (newsletter), Adam Walker and Chris Jobczynski (Webmaster)

Membership – Bruce McCall, with Andy Putnam and Jay Wingarter

Programs – Randy Long with Beth Ludwig, Karl Ludwig, Tim Milloy and Mike Angelo

If you are interested in serving on any of the committees, or serving as a future officer, please contact rspinelli@pmierie.org.



Also meet: Randy Long – VP Programs; Randy and his team assure we have great speakers and educational opportunities.



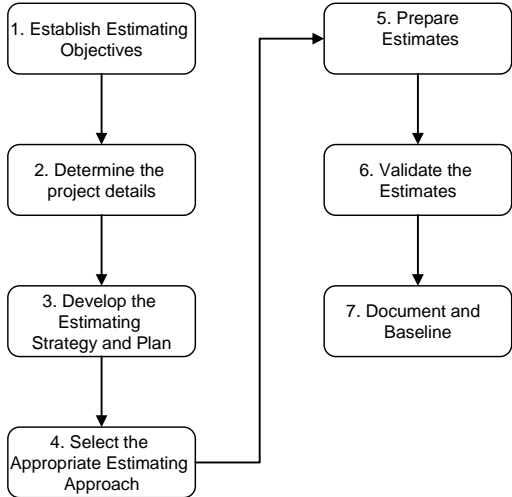
And : Tom Rose, VP, Finance

Tom is responsible for the budget !

Hurrah!! The Erie PMI Chapter recently had its Organizational Charter renewal approved!

Tom Rose’s January Presentation: The Estimating Process:

Thanks to Tom for a great and colorful presentation. In case you missed it, here are the key steps in the process- reminding us that in everything we do as project leaders, we should remember to Plan our Work and Work our Plan.



Job Posting:

Corporate-wide initiative with the industry leader to institute world-class PMO based on PMI methodologies and processes. Build PMO from ground up or turn around existing one. Lead, train, develop, and mentor team to instill value of maintaining process methodologies over the long term. Work closely with "C" level executives to ensure communication of benchmarks, deliverables, etc. Must understand Service Level Agreement (SLA) metrics and lead team to deliver against them.

Client is highly regarded, publicly held, extremely profitable, rapidly growing and the industry leader.

Must be PMP certified and have experience building/turning around PMO supporting large, complex I.T. programs (applications and infrastructure) with minimum 50,000 labor hours, 100+ concurrent projects, 20 Project Managers and \$25 million in budget/contract value.

Must have operational experience with PMBOK and be adept at Estimation Theory, Scheduling Dependency Types, and Risk Response Strategies. Able to both lead team and interact with "C" level client. Experience working with external client/customer would be helpful. Leadership skills are critical.

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