



## February Meeting Details

Date: Thursday, February 15, 2006  
(Note the earlier-in-the-month timing!)

Time: Meet & Greet 5:30 pm  
Dinner 6:00  
Program 6:30

Place: BrewErie (formerly Porters)  
123 West 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
Erie, PA 16501  
814-452-2787

Cost: Members \$15  
Non-Members \$20

Online Registration at [www.pmierie.org](http://www.pmierie.org)  
Pay at the Dinner



## February Meeting Notice: February 15<sup>th</sup> (see left) **RAY KUTZER** From Erie Insurance will address: **Project Team Personalities**

There is still time to make your reservation  
on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>!

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### Important Meeting Information

Please remember to make Chapter Meeting reservations by the preceding Monday. Attendance information must be shared with BrewErie management to ensure proper setup and food preparation. If you need to cancel a reservation, please email [Reservations@pmierie.org](mailto:Reservations@pmierie.org) by 5pm Monday the week of the Chapter Meeting.

Please note that failure to properly cancel (i.e. a "no show") does not remove financial responsibility - full payment of the meeting cost is still required.

## Upcoming Meetings & Speakers

For complete information on our upcoming meetings and events, please visit our web site at [www.pmierie.org](http://www.pmierie.org).

## New Mailing Address for Chapter

Please note that the mailing address for the PMI Erie chapter has changed. The address is now:

PMI Erie PA Chapter  
Box 122  
707 West 38<sup>th</sup> Street  
Erie, PA 16508

## New Member – New PMP!

The Erie PMI Chapter welcomes new member Dean Mahle who joined the chapter on January 16<sup>th</sup>. Also, congratulations to PMI Erie member Lisa Ruhlman who successfully passed the PMP test on December 9<sup>th</sup>!

## Election Results Are In

New officers were elected at the December Chapter meeting. Tom Blecki, PMP was re-elected as VP of Communications and Publicity – Diana Day, P.E. was elected as VP of Education – and Jay Wingerter was elected as VP of Membership. Congratulations to our new officers! For a complete list of the PMI Erie Chapter Board members, go to [www.pmierie.org](http://www.pmierie.org). Remember, this is your chapter. If you have any questions, suggestions, or want to participate in more than the monthly meetings, just contact any officer for more information!

### Education Wants to Know

The Education Committee of our chapter would like your suggestions and/or comments regarding the types of educational opportunities you would like to see offered by the Chapter – sessions incorporated with our monthly meetings, opportunities outside of the Chapter? Let us know. Please e-mail your comments and questions to [Education@pmierie.org](mailto:Education@pmierie.org).

### President to Attend Region 4 Conference

Bob Spinelli, President of the PMI Erie Chapter will be attending the 2007 PMI Region 4 Leadership Conference on Mackinac Island, Michigan in May. This conference is intended to bring leadership from the Region 4 Chapters together to discuss Chapter challenges and membership opportunities.

### Need PDUs?

The SIGs can be a great source for achieving valuable PDUs. As an example, as a member of the IS-SIG, more than 40 recorded webinars are available – each one earning you 1 PDU. There are some great topics – check it out!

### Membership Facts: PMI- ERIE

- 59 members representing 5 Specific Interest Groups (Healthcare, Information Systems, IT & Telecom, Quality in PM and Manufacturing) (10 of us belong to SIG's)
- 2 members also belong to other chapters
- 21 companies are represented by our membership
- Erie Insurance has the largest number of members in this area

### New Feature!

#### PMP Prep/Refresher Question

Been a while since you've taken the PMP exam, or are you thinking of taking it soon? This new feature brings you a PMP Exam-like question courtesy of the Daily Digest at [www.pmexam.com](http://www.pmexam.com).

Ready? Here goes:

During risk identification, a project manager has made a long list of risks identified by all the stakeholders using various methods. He then made sure that all the risks were understood and that triggers had been identified. Later, in risk response planning, he took all the risks identified by the stakeholders and determined ways to mitigate them. What has he done wrong?

- A. The project manager should have waited until qualitative risk analysis to get the stakeholders involved.
- B. More people should be involved in risk response planning.
- C. The project manager should have created workarounds.
- D. Triggers are not identified until risk identification.

See answer at bottom of page.

### Employment Opportunities

While there are no employment opportunities to list this month, remember, this is a service to you and your fellow members. If your organization has opportunities you would like listed, please contact either the PMI Erie webmaster at [webmaster@pmierie.org](mailto:webmaster@pmierie.org) or the editor of this newsletter at [editor@pmierie.org](mailto:editor@pmierie.org).

### Questions or Concerns?

Contact our Chapter President, Bob Spinelli, at [president@pmierie.org](mailto:president@pmierie.org)

*“A project is complete when it starts working for you, rather than you working for it.”*

- Scott Allen