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PMI Dallas News & Updates | February 2026

From the President | Kimia Penton

Dear PMI Dallas Chapter Members,

To our newest members, welcome! We are so glad you're here. To those who have been part of this chapter community, thank you for your continued involvement and leadership. I'm incredibly proud to be part of such a vibrant and engaged community rooted in growth, development, and meaningful impact.

Each month, we welcome new professionals into our chapter and celebrate members who earn new certifications and reach important career milestones. These achievements reflect the dedication and excellence within our community, and we look forward to recognizing many of you in our upcoming communications and media highlights.



I also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended our January dinner meeting. The turnout, energy, and thoughtful engagement were a wonderful way to start the year. Your participation in the quick quiz provided valuable insights into the types of experiences you'd like to see more of. Some of you expressed interest in in-person networking events, mentorship programs, and panel discussions with industry leaders, along with fun, casual meetups and happy hours. We loved the creative ideas you shared from pickle-ball tournaments and Topgolf outings to the ambitious and exciting suggestion of hosting a PMI Global Conference here in Dallas! Our volunteer teams are reviewing your feedback and exploring how we can incorporate these ideas into our programming this year.

In the meantime, I encourage you to get involved right away through our existing mentorship program and breakfast meetings, in addition to our monthly dinner events. These are excellent ways to connect, learn, and build relationships within the chapter. Be sure to keep an eye on our calendar for upcoming events and new opportunities, which will allow us to organically build our networks and friendships.

As project managers, we are navigating rapid change — new technologies, evolving tools, and new ways of working. In times like these, our community matters more than ever. Leaning on one another, sharing

knowledge, and building meaningful connections set us apart as professionals and strengthen our impact across industries. Let's continue to support each other and grow together.

Wishing you a happy, healthy, and successful month ahead.

Warm Regards
Kimia Penton
President, PMI Dallas Chapter

February 19, 2026, Monthly Dinner Meeting Building Bold Belief in Every Season

Meet Our Dinner Meeting Speaker: Elizabeth Mahusay

What if building confidence started with changing the way we think?

Elizabeth is an author, executive business coach, and dynamic speaker who is passionate about helping people transform their thinking so they can lead with clarity, confidence, and purpose. A former chemistry teacher, she blends the science of neuroplasticity with real-world leadership experience to help audiences build habits and mindsets that create lasting impact.



Session Highlight

Build Confidence | Building Bold Belief in Every Season

[Attend the Dinner Meeting](#)

Career Connect 2026: Employers Invited Connect With Emerging Talent and Build Your Future Workforce

Looking to connect with emerging talent and make a meaningful impact on the next generation of professionals? We invite businesses across the DFW Metroplex to participate in Career Connect 2026, hosted by the DBU PMI Student Organization at Dallas Baptist University and sponsored by the PMI Dallas Applied PM Team.

Whether you are hiring for project management, technology, business, operations, or emerging leadership roles, this event offers a powerful opportunity to invest in early talent while strengthening the regional workforce pipeline.

Event Details

Date: February 20, 2026

Time: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Location: Dallas Baptist University | Dallas, TX



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10:00 AM-
1:00 PM

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Join the PMI Dallas Corporate Ambassador Program and help strengthen connections between PMI Dallas and organizations across North Texas.

This free virtual meeting features a facilitated discussion with fellow project management professionals and offers 1.5 Strategic and Business Management PDUs. The PDU code will be provided during the meeting.

February 7, 2026
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Virtual | Zoom

Questions? Contact CorpAmbassador@pmidallas.org



Join us for an exciting event about our

Corporate Ambassador Program



February 7, 2026

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Virtual via Zoom

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Volunteer Spotlight: February 2026

PMI Dallas proudly celebrates Sunil Kumar, PMI-ACP, our February 2026 Volunteer of the Month!



Sunil joined PMI in 2018 and began volunteering with the PMI Dallas Chapter in 2023. He currently serves on the Applied PM Student Advisory Board Committee and has been actively involved in establishing the PMI Dallas Baptist University (DBU) Student Chapter.

Beyond PMI Dallas, Sunil volunteers with ASEI, IEEE TEMS, ACM, and IAAP and has delivered approximately 25 keynote and guest presentations at PMI, ACM, IEEE, and ASEI events, sharing insights on project management, technology, and leadership.

[Read More](#)[Connect with Sunil](#)

Virtual Lunch and Learn with Zomi Yao Baï

Managing Workforce and Compliance Pressures in Texas Construction: Why PMI-CP Matters for Today's Project Managers

The PMI Dallas Chapter invites you to our upcoming Virtual Lunch and Learn, a free one-hour facilitated session focused on timely topics relevant to today's project managers.

Workforce uncertainty and increased compliance expectations are reshaping project delivery across Texas construction. Project managers are navigating labor shortages, documentation requirements, and coordination challenges that directly impact schedules, budgets, and stakeholder confidence.

Date: February 27, 2026

Time: 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Format: Virtual | Zoom

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PMI Dallas Virtual Toastmasters Meeting February 21, 9:00 - 11:00 am

PMI Dallas Toastmasters invites you to join our February Virtual Toastmasters Meeting, designed to help you become a more confident and effective communicator. Whether you're delivering prepared presentations or navigating impromptu conversations, this interactive session will help you sharpen your speaking and leadership skills in a supportive environment.

February 21, 2026

- ⌚ 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM (CT)
- 📍 Virtual | Zoom Conference
- 💵 Free Event | Earn 2 PDUs

Build confidence, sharpen your public speaking skills, and inspire others!



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PMI Dallas, 2025 Financial Reports

Transparency and accountability are core values of the PMI Dallas Chapter. Members are encouraged to review our Financial Reports, which provide insight into the chapter's financial health, budgeting, and stewardship of member resources.

These reports are available on the PMI Dallas website and are shared to support informed engagement and trust within our community.

[View PMI Dallas Financial Reports](#)

PMWJ Book Review – February 2026



Book Review by Anzar Ali Hasan

What does strong leadership really look like in an AI-driven world?

In *The AI-Savvy Leader: Nine Ways to Take Back Control and Make AI Work*, author David De Cremer challenges leaders to rethink their role as artificial intelligence becomes more embedded in everyday decision-making.



[Read the Review](#)

Discover What's Next in the Generative AI Era

Preparing for the Intelligent Future of Work

March 14, 2026

Generative AI is no longer just about chatbots and text prompts; it's transforming how we work, innovate, and make decisions across industries. Join us for an engaging and insightful session exploring what lies ahead in the generative AI era and how individuals and organizations can prepare for an intelligent future shaped by human imagination amplified by AI.

This session goes beyond the familiar capabilities of ChatGPT to explore the broader revolution underway, where AI agents, autonomous workflows, domain-specific models, and human–AI collaboration are redefining business and society.



Our Speaker

Archana Choudhary

Vice President, Deutsche Bank

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Evaluate Your Project Management Career with Mentorship Program!

Our **Mentorship Program** pairs project managers with industry leaders in the DFW metroplex to provide valuable guidance and coaching.

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