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The trees are about to show us how lovely
it is to let the dead things go.

- Anonymous

Fall and the beginning of a new semester always brings about a feeling of change and renewal. We throw off the habits and activities of the summer and start anew with new habits and activities centered around the change of seasons. This starting of new habits allows us to try new things and experiment to further our productivity. If you find yourself not recovering from this start of the semester yet, don't fret. Sometimes we need reminding, "Every day is a chance to begin again. Don't focus on the failures of yesterday, start today with positive thoughts and expectations." (Catherine Pulsifer). I hope the resources in this digest help you achieve your goals and create positive new habits.

If you have any suggestions for resources that you believe will benefit the community or topics that you are looking for more information on, please let us know!

Happy Project Managing!



OCTOBER 2022 MONTHLY WEBINAR

For our September 2022 Monthly Webinar, the Microsoft Store Trainers trained on Microsoft Planner which most campus staff/faculty have access to with their A3 and/or A5 Microsoft 365 license. For our October 2022 Monthly Webinar, we welcome back the Microsoft Store Trainers back to train on Tasks in Microsoft 365 focusing on the To Do and Planner MS 365 apps. Please see the details of the training below:

Course Description: This course introduces the unified task experience in Microsoft 365 with a focus on To Do and Planner.

Objectives:

- Manage your work with tasks across Microsoft 365
- Work with tasks in Outlook, shared Office documents, and in Teams
- Manage individual tasks and build “your day”
- Assign team tasks and build a plan
- Explore various views to get the most out of task management

[Click here to download an .ics file to add the October 2022 webinar to your Outlook or Google calendar.](#) The Microsoft Teams Webinar connection information for the event is in the .ics file.

Spring 2022 Project Management Classes

While our Fall 2022 [Project Management Fundamentals](#) and [Advanced Project Management](#) classes have either happened or are full, we will begin planning soon for our Spring 2022 semester. Registration will open for these classes in early December and emails will be sent out to the PMP CoP listserv first. Keep an eye on the listserv for the announcement.



Articles of Interest



[Back to Basics: Who Are Project Stakeholders and Why Are They Important?](#)

A project is not a single person’s effort. It is not even a single team’s effort. It requires a collective and collaborative effort from many other people and groups. The PM is in the center, and must regularly interact, collaborate, and work with the involved people and groups. Collectively, these people are called project stakeholders.

In this article, we explore project stakeholders and the importance a project manager plays in aligning these stakeholders by using a real-life short story as our backdrop.
(Praveen Malik, MPUG, 10/18/2022)



[You Are Your Most Important Project](#)

Being a project manager requires a significant spectrum of skills and abilities. Doing it well means mastering a range of perspectives. We need to be able to confidently guide, structure, lead and support as we manage complex challenges and navigate uncertainty.

The kinds of personal projects I am actually talking about are the ones whose focal point is you. They are the efforts and investments in you becoming better, more efficient, more meaningful or more relevant—for you. The ones where you take the time to continue to work on yourself. Where you strive to be more confident, more capable and more effective. (Mark



[4 Ways to Mitigate Risk](#)

Once you’ve ticked ‘mitigate’ as your risk management approach, you then have to think up ways to actually do that. What could you do to make the impact or likelihood of the risk less? Here are 4 options for reducing the risk – they won’t work on every risk, but they are general directions to consider when you’re wondering what to do to lighten the load for the project. And they are pretty easy to implement too, so that’s a bonus. (Elizabeth Harrin, projectmanagement.com, 2022)

Webinars To Watch

Don't forget to visit our [PMP CoP YouTube Playlist](#) to view all of our previous Monthly Webinars that we have held. If you have a particular topic that you are interested in for a future monthly, please let us know by emailing krista.lynch@suny.edu.



[Benefits of Business Agility for an Agile Transformation](#)

Tuesday, December 06, 2022 | 1:00 PM – 1:40 PM EST

Boost your team's performance and productivity by understanding and encompassing the benefits of business agility for an agile transformation through our FREE webinar. Business agility allows teams to become more responsive to change and helps reduce cost without sacrificing quality. Learn from a PMI (Project Management Institute) certified instructor and understand the concept of business agility and its benefits in this ever-dynamic world. With this webinar Help your team's acquire the skills and knowledge to embrace business agility to the core and gain the real benefits of an agile business transformation through this webinar. (Netcom Learning)



[Managing Stress in Challenging Times](#)

Tuesday, November 1, 2022 | 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM EDT

Stress can affect your ability to think clearly and rationally — and to perform well. This 1-hour webinar aims to help you better deal with stress by sharing key insights and strategies to reduce stress and optimize your work-life balance, particularly as we all cope with the challenging times in which we live.

Benefits:

- Recognize the symptoms and causes of stress
- Discover simple stress-busting techniques to manage and reduce the effects of stress in your life
- Create a simple personalized plan to rise above stress for a healthier and more productive lifestyle

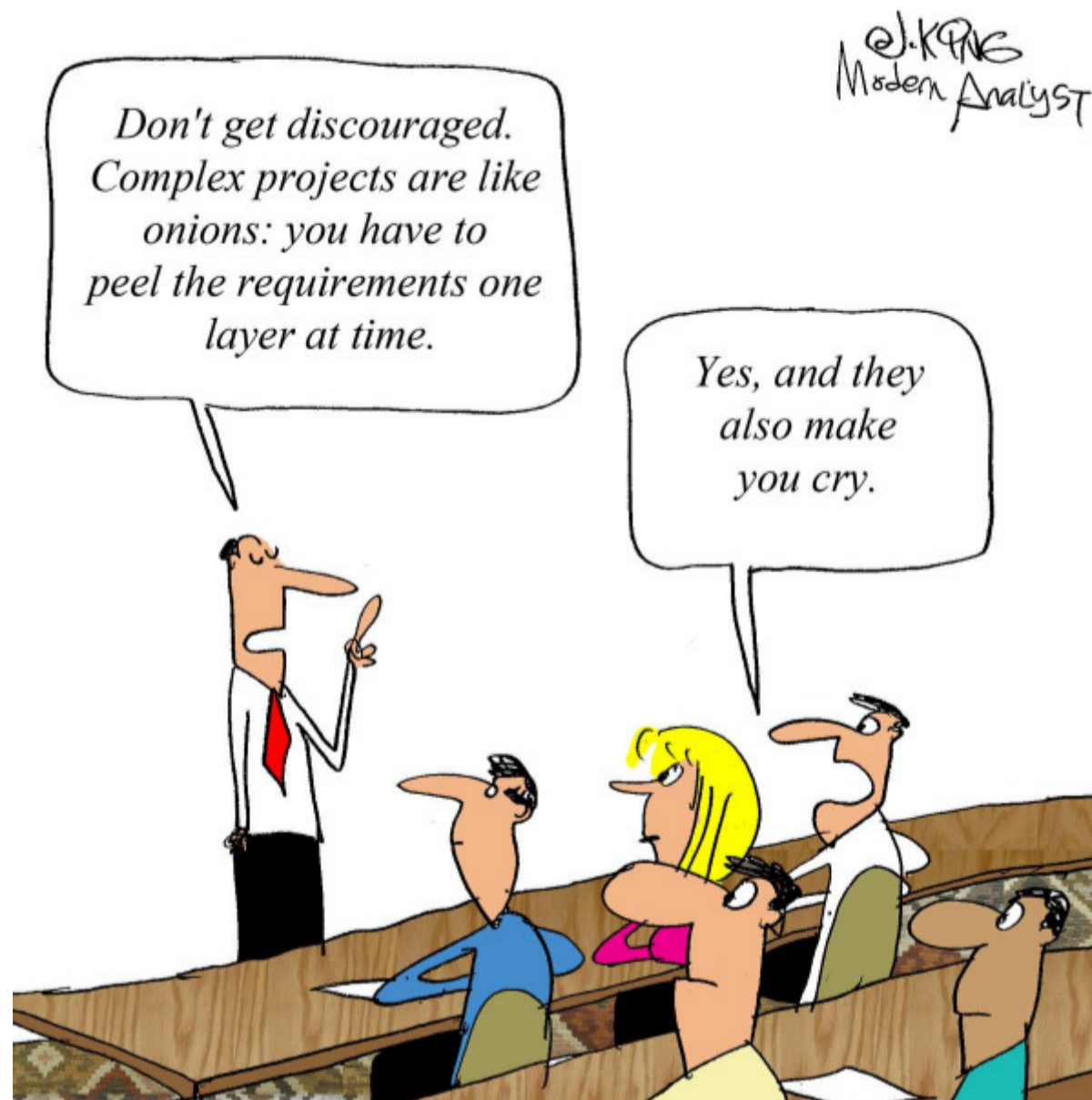
(International Institute for Learning)



[A PMO for Agile Projects: Not an Oxymoron!](#)

“Agile projects need to report to the PMO” – how does this statement make you feel? Anxious? Frustrated? Anticipating a fight? There's likely to be resistance. The reality is, all projects, even Agile ones, should have supports to be successful. But at the same time, PMOs can't remain the same and expect Agilists to just comply; PMOs also need to change and adapt.

In this webinar: We'll review the types of PMOs and what benefit they bring to an organization, but then also their place in an Agile environment. We'll investigate the value they need to have for Agile projects. And finally, we'll provide a few examples of value-added services that can assist. (International Institute for Learning)



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