



## PMI Phoenix Chapter Names Joan Hyland Volunteer of the Year

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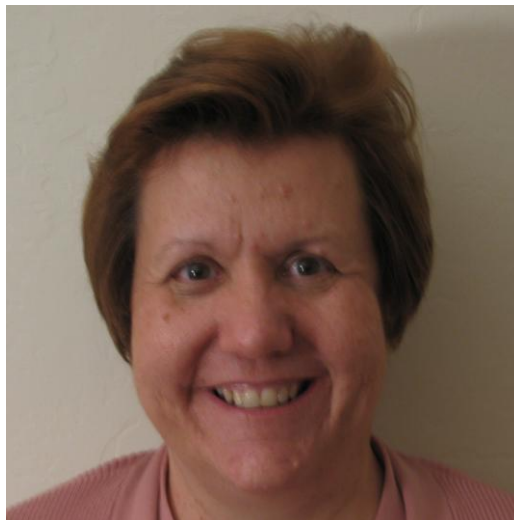
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Phoenix, Arizona—(December 31, 2008) **PMI Phoenix Chapter**, a local link to the Project Management Institute (PMI), the largest and most diverse international organization in the world dedicated to the profession of project management, announced today that **Joan Hyland** has been named **2008 Volunteer of the Year**.

The PMI Phoenix Chapter honored over 100 of its volunteers on December 11 at Doubletree Guest Suites in Phoenix at its annual chapter awards dinner honoring volunteers and business partners.

During 2008, Ms. Hyland was a volunteer on the Professional Development team and a lead contributor for the development of the PMP Certification Prep course materials. She said her goals were to give back to the profession, meet other project management professionals in the area and leverage her experience in both project management and teaching to assist other practitioners. "I now more fully understand the importance of a strong volunteer base within the PMI Phoenix Chapter," Hyland said, "as many of the programs can't be rolled out without help. Even if you have only a few hours a month, you can make a difference and see results."

Ms. Hyland, PMP, is a Service Line Director at Axway, a leading global provider of collaborative business solutions, headquartered in Scottsdale.



Joan Hyland

A Scottsdale resident, she has over 20 years of experience in managing IT projects in a variety of industries, including telecommunications, retail, insurance, banking, logistics and high tech. Hyland has developed and delivered internal and external project management training programs for a worldwide audience.

Ms. Hyland is currently responsible for a team which is responsible for the implementation of the Axway solutions from both a technical and project management perspective. She has published articles on the Projects at Work website entitled "Are We There Yet?" which deals with the importance of establishing clear objectives and measures for a project, and "The Weakest Link," which discusses how to address performance issues.

Ms. Hyland holds a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering from Cleveland State University. She has been a certified Project Management Professional (PMP) since 1996.

### **About the Project Management Institute**

The National organization was established in 1969 and headquartered outside Philadelphia. The Project Management Institute (PMI) is the world's leading not-for-profit project management professional association. Currently, PMI supports over 100,000 members representing 125 countries worldwide. PMI has over 200 chartered and approximately 50 potential chapters geographically dispersed over 67 countries.

PMI members are individuals practicing and studying project management in many different industry areas, including aerospace, automotive, business management, construction, engineering, financial services, information technology, pharmaceuticals and telecommunications.

Over time, PMI has become, and continues to be, the leading professional association in project management. More information is available at the organization's Web site, [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org).

### **About the Phoenix Chapter**

The goal of the PMI-Phoenix Board is to transform the PMI Phoenix Chapter into the model chapter among 250 worldwide. We want to add 100 fold in value for our members, to our community, and to the project management profession worldwide. The Chapter was founded in 1977, as the 29th Chapter to be chartered in the United States. The Chapter has grown and evolved, and today has over 2400 members, representing project management in industry, consulting, government and academia. More than half of our members have earned the PMP certification. Our chapter was awarded Chapter of the year in 2007. Monthly professional development meetings are held in the evening on the third Thursday of each month. Breakfast and weekend meetings are scheduled at various venues throughout the year. We feature speakers known both locally and nationally. Check [www.phx-pmi.org](http://www.phx-pmi.org) for more information.

### **Member Opportunities**

Membership and active participation in PMI meetings, seminars, and workshops at both the local and national levels assures that members share the following opportunities:

- Keeping up to date with the latest thinking, trends, and activities in Project Management

- Networking on a regular basis with peers as well as key figures and recognized leaders in practice, academia, consultants, services, and suppliers and vendors
- Building your own reference file of contacts that can be called, on a personal or professional basis, to help with problems and decisions
- Training or reviewing for new assignments, or improving or extending current ones, through seminars and workshops
- Displaying your proficiency and professionalism in the Project Management field by sitting for the PMP examination
- Staying current with a variety of Project Management in many sectors
- Presenting, either formally or informally, thoughts, concepts, and approaches on Project Management to both experts and peer practitioners before putting them into practice; publishing them; trying to sell them; or persuading your client, project team, or employer to adopt them
- Join one of the many Special Interest Groups and share professional interests with others from similar industries.
- Meeting individuals considered to be the outstanding practitioners, consultants, developers, academics, and even critics of Project Management in all aspects.

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