President’s Corner

Portland SAME Members,

At our last meeting we heard from Mr. Tim Leavitt the Director SW WA Operations at Otak and his team on the Columbia Palisades project, it was a great presentation on the challenges of developing a mixed used development in SW Washington. Thanks to Tim for a great presentation.

Later in the month several of our post members and myself attend the Veteran’s Stand Down. This annual community-led partnership combining local nonprofits, government agencies, and businesses to support Veterans who are either experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. The Portland event is the State's largest, and provided access to resources and services, employment and connections to local, state and federal support to over 300 veterans this year.

The Stand Down event began at 9:00 AM on September 11th, 2018 with the posting of the colors by the Northwest Indian Veterans Association color guard and a moment of silence commemorating those who died in the 9/11 attacks and Veterans who have sacrificed their lives in the conflicts since. Even before the event began, dozens of veterans were lined up to register at the entrance to the Veterans Memorial Coliseum. The event included a large service provider area, an employment fair, a food pantry, breakfast and lunch dining area, barbershop, on-site medical and dental services, a women's health and services area, legal services, and a veterinary clinic. The service provider area included the full range of local, state, federal, and non-profit organizations from across Oregon. The job fair included booths for over thirty employers, many of whom had applications interviewers to hire veterans on the spot.

It was a humbling and energizing experience engaging with Veterans in all walks of life, and was encouraging to see the community pouring out support and appreciation for all those who have served in the Armed Forces. Thank you to those that came out to support this important event.

On Oct 3rd we’ve got another great speaker lined up for our monthly luncheon, Mr. Rich Darland from PBS Engineering and Environmental will be talking about the $1.5B Vancouver Waterfront development, I look forward to seeing all of you at the luncheon.

Respectfully,

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John D. Cunningham, P.E., PMP
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army
President, SAME Portland Post
Next Post Event – SAME Luncheon “Vancouver's $1.5B Waterfront Future”

Date: Wednesday, Oct 3, 2018
Time: 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM
Cost: Retired Members ($25.00) Public Agency Members ($25.00) Private Consultant-Sustaining Member ($30.00) Non-Member ($35.00) PREPAYMENT RQD
Location: Sentinel Hotel, 614 S.W. 11th Avenue, 2nd floor
Event: Rich Darland from PBS Engineering and Environmental on the Vancouver Waterfront
RSVP By: Sep 26, 2018 at SAME.PDX.RSVP@gmail.com, or call 503-643-8710 to confirm and prepay with credit card. Do Not respond to this email. To ensure your RSVP is received, please use: same.pdx.rsvp@gmail.com

Vancouver Waterfront – Vancouver’s $1.5B Future

Guest Speaker: Rich Darland from PBS Engineering and Environmental

Presentation:

The Vancouver Waterfront is 32 acre, $1.5 billion mixed-use development on the shores of the Columbia River just west of I-5. The development is on the site of the former Boise Cascade Paper Mill and is being redeveloped in a partnership between the City of Vancouver and Columbia Waterfront, LLC. The property comprises 21 new city blocks of development, which will have up to 3300 residential units, 1.25 million square feet of Class A office space, boutique hotel, flagship restaurants, and unique retail space. Come hear a brief presentation on some of the unique history of the site, and challenges the engineers had to overcome in making this Development a reality.

Profile:

Rich is a senior civil engineer and project manager with PBS Engineering and Environmental. He served as Project Manager for the Vancouver Waterfront Phase 1 development project through the design and construction phase. He has spent his entire career in SW Washington delivering projects for both public agencies and private developers. Rich has established strong working relationships with many state and local agencies within Southwest Washington and throughout the Portland Metro Area. Rich is currently the Operations Manager for the PBS Vancouver Office and provides senior leadership for the PBS Civil Engineering group.
OSU Student Chapter Update

OSU Student Chapter: Building the 2018-19 Program!

While many students are away at summer break, the leadership team of the Oregon State chapter has begun putting together the 2018-2019 program, which they envision will include several field trips to enhance their engineering experience. Any firms or agencies that have an interest in sponsoring a tour of an active project site, or leading a site walk on a completed project to discuss operational challenges or lessons learned should contact:
Glen DeWillie (glen.dewillie@kleinschmidtgroup.com)
Steve Miles (steven.r.miles@usace.army.mil)

Continuing Education Fall 2018 Workshop:
“Successful Integration of Landscape Architecture in Your Infrastructure Project”

Date: Thursday, Oct 11, 2018
Time: Two Options: 8:00 AM to 12:00PM or 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Cost: TBD PREPAYMENT RQD
Location: Reed's Crossing, South Hillsboro
Event: Integration of Landscape Architecture in Your Infrastructure Project
RSVP: email: SAME.PDX.RSVPR@gmail.com, or call 503-643-8710 to confirm and prepay with credit card. Do Not respond to this email. To ensure your RSVP is received, please use: same.pdx.rsvp@gmail.com

Come see the most substantial planned community in Oregon’s history!

The SAME Portland Post is pleased to announce this upcoming continuing education opportunity for the engineering and landscape architecture community.

Come see the Reed's Crossing Project before it is complete and meet with members of the design team. Learn about the unique design challenges, talk with LAs and PEs about team integration. and construction lessons learned during Reed's

Crossing and other projects. Ticket sales will support the SAME Portland Post scholarship fund! Space is limited to 10 attendees for each session so get your tickets early! Course attendees will receive 4 Professional Development Hours.

PRESENTERS:

Jennifer D'Avanzo, ASLA, PWS (Greenworks)
Mike Faha, PLA, FASLA, LEED AP (Greenworks)
Jason Kelly, PE OBEC Consulting Engineers)

QUESTIONS:
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971-634-2002
OSAC Scholarship Recipient

Thanks to all our SAME Portland Member’s support the Post was able to award the 2018-2019 OSACE Scholarship to Brandon Bodenhamer an Oregon State University Sophomore studying Construction Engineering Management. He is also enrolled in Army ROTC and a graduate of McNary High School in Keizer, OR.

2018 Portland Veteran’s Stand Down

Membership...your link to SAME success!

Our post needs your help; we need to grow our post, so invite others who will benefit, to join SAME. Encourage somebody new to attend our next meeting to experience the Portland Post and SAME membership. If you have a prospective member, please have them contact our Membership Chair, Mr. Craig Crotteau, at crotteau@dawsonassociates.com