



# SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS



PORTLAND POSTSCRIPTS | May 2023

## President's Corner

Portland Post Team,

The SAME **Pacific Northwest Small Business Outreach & Industry Day** (formerly known as **Meet the Chiefs**) is almost here!

Mark your calendar for **June 5 -7** and sign your company up as a **sponsor** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/476716530977>, **register** to attend <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/593866920947>, and book your **hotel** room at the DoubleTree Portland <https://tinyurl.com/2023SAMEATTENDEE>.



This is the region's premier event for Industry Government Engagement for the Portland, Mt. Tacoma, and Seattle Posts. We'll offer short courses, networking opportunities, small-business matchmaking, industry-specific topics, project briefings from agency chiefs, and more, including:

- Monday, June 5: Golf Tournament, Reception, short courses, matchmaking
- Tuesday, June 6: USACE, NAVFAC, and GSA presentations, short courses, matchmaking
- Wednesday, June 7: VA, BPA, and Port of Portland presentations, short courses

We look forward to seeing you and the Chiefs. I hope you will join us as well at our **next lunch meeting on May 10**. Please note this is one week later than normal so it does not conflict with the SAME Joint Engineer Training Conference (JETC) in San Antonio May 2-4. Our guest speaker will be Heather Stebbings, Executive Director of the **Pacific Northwest Waterways Association (PNWA)**. We'll hear about PNWA activities to advocate for federal policies and funding for efficient, reliable, and environmentally sustainable waterways. In addition, we'll also hold **elections** for our next Post Board of Direction. You'll find the slate of nominations posted in this newsletter. The meeting will run from 1:30-1pm at the DoubleTree Portland. Please **register before May 3** at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/same-portland-post-may-meeting-tickets-611339050557?aff=erelexpmlt>

I'd like to thank Dr. Brian Fabian, Dean of the Shiley School of Engineering, for hosting the Post for our April meeting at the University of Portland (UP). The school's Center for Design and Innovation currently under construction is not just a beautiful and sustainable building, but will inspire the next generation of engineers as they collaborate and solve wicked problems.

We're proud to be Portland's leader in Industry Government Engagement and serve the nation as an integrator for leadership development and technical collaboration within the A/E/C profession.

Sincerely,

Pete Helmlinger, PE  
Brig. Gen., USA (Ret)  
President, SAME Portland Post

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## Next Post Event – May 10, 2023

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**Presentation:** **Federal opportunities and challenges for Pacific Northwest ports and Waterways**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023

**Time:** 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

**LOCATION:** **DoubleTree Hilton, 1000 NE Multnomah St, Portland, OR 97232**

**\*\*Free Parking at DoubleTree is included in registration\*\***

**In-Person Cost:** SAME Portland Post Members (\$40.00+\$4.52 fee)  
SAME Member (\$45.00 +4.87 fee)  
Retired/Govt (\$35.00 + \$4.19 fee)  
All others (\$50.00 +\$5.20 fee)

**RSVP By:** **May 4, 2023 (PREPAYMENT REQUIRED) at**

[SAME Portland Post: May Meeting Tickets, Wed, May 10, 2023 at 11:30 AM | Eventbrite](#)

## Federal opportunities and challenges for Pacific Northwest ports and waterways

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**Guest Speaker:** Heather Stebbings, Executive Director, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association (PNWA)

### Speaker Biography:

As PNWA's Executive Director, Heather Stebbings leads the association's work with Congress, federal agencies and regional decision makers on transportation, trade, energy and environmental policies and projects. PNWA's membership includes over 150 public ports, transportation providers, agriculture and forest products producers, public utilities, manufacturers, labor groups and others in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

Stebbing has 16 years of advocacy and public policy experience for the Pacific Northwest maritime community, including 13 years directing communications and government relations for PNWA. She has also spent time working with the Port of Vancouver USA and Shaver Transportation Company on both communications and government relations efforts. Stebbings has a BA in Applied Mathematics from the University of Connecticut, and has lived in the Northwest since 2000. She makes her home in Portland, OR.



### Abstract:

Heather will discuss the Pacific Northwest Waterways Association (PNWA) priorities, and the challenges and opportunities coming out of Washington DC. These include recent regulatory changes, increased funding for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and how PNWA works to secure federal funding, and support economic growth and environmental sustainability in the Pacific Northwest region.

Pacific Northwest Waterways Association (PNWA) is a non-profit, non-partisan trade association that advocates for federal policies and funding in support of regional economic development. PNWA is a collaboration of ports, businesses and public agencies who combine their economic and political strength in support of navigation, energy, trade and economic development throughout the Pacific Northwest.

## UPCOMING SAME EVENTS – SAVE THE DATE

**Seattle SAME Post SBC:** Apr 17-18, 2023 Kitsap Conference Center, Bremerton, WA.

**JETC:** May 2-4, 2023 San Antonio, TX. This premier annual event provides a venue for professionals in engineering and related fields to learn and collaborate in a joint environment that only SAME offers.

**SAME SBC:** Nov 1-3, San Antonio, TX. Provides an opportunity to engage with government agencies or learning about upcoming federal contracts.

**PNW SMALL  
BUSINESS  
OUTREACH +  
INDUSTRY DAY  
(MTC)**

# CONFIRMED PARTICIPATING AGENCIES AND LEADERSHIP TOPICS

### MONDAY, JUNE 5:

- USACE SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATES OFFER (PRE-SIGNUP) MATCHMAKING
- DREDGING 101 SHORT-COURSE
- INCREASING LABOR THROUGH INNOVATION (SESSION 1)

### TUESDAY:

- NORTHWEST DISTRICT COMMAND
- INCREASING LABOR THROUGH INNOVATION (SESSION 2)
- USACE DISTRICTS:
  - HDC
  - GSA
  - NAVFAC
- USACE SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATES OFFER (PRE-SIGNUP) MATCHMAKING
- LEADERSHIP CLASSES: TOPICS TBD
- ... AND MORE

### WEDNESDAY:

- BPA
- VA
- PNWA
- PORT OF PORTLAND
- INCREASING LABOR THROUGH INNOVATION (SESSION 3 – SESSION 2 AND 1 REQUIRED)
- USACE
- ... AND MORE

**JUNE 5-6:  
PACIFIC NORTHWEST  
BUSINESS OUTREACH  
INDUSTRY DAYS  
(EXPANDED MTC)**

**JUNE 7:  
PORTLAND AREA  
INDUSTRY DAY**

**FORMERLY KNOWN AS:  
MEET THE CHIEFS  
(MTC)**

**Sponsorships  
Available**

## Pacific Northwest Business Outreach and Industry Day

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The SAME PNW BUSINESS OUTREACH + INDUSTRY DAYS (formerly known as Meet the Chiefs) will offer short courses, networking opportunities, small-business matchmaking, industry-specific topics, project briefings from agency chiefs, and more.

Registration Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/593866920947>

Sponsorship Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/476716530977>

Hotel Links:

Attendee block code is: SM3

And link is below:

<https://tinyurl.com/2023SAMEATTENDEE>

Government code is: SM4

And link is below:

<https://tinyurl.com/2023SAMEGOV>



## 2023 Nominations for Portland SAME Post Board of Direction

Below are the Nominations for the Board Officers and Director Positions for the Portland SAME Post that will become vacant in June 2023. Note that 2022 – 2024 Director positions will not become vacant or voted on until 2024. Contact Andrew Young, F.SAME if you would like to add to the nominations. Elections will be held during our lunch meeting on May 10th, 2023.

### PORTLAND POST NOMINATIONS FOR 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTION VACANCIES

Position	Nomination
President	COL R. Scott Grainger, PE, PMP, F.SAME BG (Ret) Pete Helmlinger, PE
1st Vice President	COL Jeffrey Hall
2nd Vice President	Justin Stranzl
Treasurer	Tony Roos, PE
Secretary	Sarah Johnson
Director for Youth and Mentoring	LCDR Steven Becker
Director for Education	Dan Lautzenheiser, PE
Director (Five 2023-2025 Term positions)	Kathryn Thomas Terry Hosaka, PMP Rob Moriarty, CEM Todd Martinez Andrew Young, PE, PMP, F.SAME Heidi Nelson, PE

**PORTLAND POST SLATE OF OFFICERS 2023-2024  
ELECTED**

Position	2022-2023	2023 - 2024 Nomination
President	BG (Ret) Pete Helmlinger, PE	COL R. Scott Grainger, PE, PMP, F.SAME
1st Vice President	Brianne Wilson, PE, PMP	COL Jeffrey Hall
2nd Vice President	COL R. Scott Grainger, PE, PMP, F.SAME	Justin Stranzl
Treasurer	Tony Roos, PE	Tony Roos, PE
Secretary	Gene Tupper, PE, GE	Sarah Johnson
Director for Youth and Mentoring	Kathryn Thomas	LCDR Steven Becker
Director for Education	Dan Lautzenheiser, PE	Dan Lautzenheiser, PE
Director	2021-2023 Karl Sonnenberg, RA, AIA	2022-2024 LTC (Ret) Rick Goodell, PE, F.SAME
Director	2021-2023 Terry Hosaka, PMP	2022-2024 Dana Holschuh, MA, RPA
Director	2021-2023 Justin Stranzl	2022-2024 Kori Zummach, MA
Director	2021-2023 Andrew Young, PE, PMP, F.SAME	2022-2024 (Young Members) Amber Weber, MBA
Director	2022-2024 LTC (Ret) Rick Goodell, PE, F.SAME	2023-2025 Kathryn Thomas
Director	2022-2024 COL (Ret) Steve Miles, PE, PMP, F.SAME	2023-2025 Terry Hosaka, PMP
Director	2022-2024 Dana Holschuh, MA, RPA	2023-2025 Heidi Nelson, PE
Director	2022-2024 Kori Zummach, MA	2023-2025 Rob Moriarty, CEM
Director	2022-2024 Amber Weber, MBA	2023-2025 Todd Martinez
Immediate Past President	Heidi Nelson, PE	BG (Ret) Pete Helmlinger, PE
Honorary Director	Pat Keough, PE, F.SAME	Pat Keough, PE, F.SAME
Honorary Director		

<p><b>PRESIDENT</b>  <i>BG (Ret.) Pete Helmlinger, PE, MS</i></p> <p><b>1ST VICE PRESIDENT</b>  <i>Brianne Wilson, PE, PMP</i></p> <p><b>2ND VICE PRESIDENT</b>  <i>Col Robert "Scott" Grainger, PE, PMP, FSAME</i></p> <p><b>PAST PRESIDENT</b>  <i>Heidi Nelson, PE</i></p> <p><b>VP FOR EDUCATION</b>  <i>Dan Lautzenheiser, PE</i></p> <p><b>SECRETARY</b>  <i>Gene Tupper, PE, GE, PMP</i></p> <p><b>TREASURER</b>  <i>Tony Roos, PE</i></p> <p><b>OSU Student Post Mentors</b>  <i>(Vacant)</i></p>	<p><b>HOUSE</b>  <i>Karl Sonnenberg, RA</i></p> <p><b>DIRECTOR FOR YOUTH AND MENTORING</b>  <i>Kathryn M. Thomas</i></p> <p><b>READINESS</b>  <i>Allison Pynch, PE, GE</i></p> <p><b>COMMUNITY/SOCIAL/SPECIAL ACTIVITIES</b>  <i>TBD</i></p> <p><b>NEWSLETTER EDITOR</b>  <i>Robert Moriarty, CEM</i></p> <p><b>PUBLICITY</b>  <i>TBD</i></p> <p><b>SMALL BUSINESS LIAISON</b>  <i>Dana Holschuh, M.A., RPA</i></p> <p><b>WEBMASTER</b>  <i>Todd Martinez, PE</i></p>	<p><b>2021-2023 DIRECTORS</b>  <i>Karl Sonnenberg, RA</i>  <i>Tony Roos, PE</i>  <i>Terry Hosaka</i></p> <p><b>2022-2024 DIRECTORS</b>  <i>LTC (Ret) Rick Goodell, PE, FSAME</i>  <i>COL (Ret) Steve Miles, PE, PMP, FSAME</i>  <i>Dana L. Holschuh, MA, RPA</i>  <i>Kori Zummach</i>  <i>Amber Weber, MBA</i>  <i>Justin Stranzl, Assoc. DBIA</i>  <i>Andrew Young, PE, FSAME</i></p> <p><b>HONORARY DIRECTORS &amp; FELLOWS</b>  <i>Patrick Keough, PE, FSAME</i></p>
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<b>SUSTAINING MEMBER FIRMS</b>		
<p><i>Adiona Corp</i></p> <p><i>AECOM</i></p> <p><i>Akana</i></p> <p><i>Anchor QEA</i></p> <p><i>Altman Browning and Company</i></p> <p><i>Cascade Coil Drapery, Inc.</i></p> <p><i>Cornforth Consultants, Inc.</i></p> <p><i>Central Geotechnical Services, LLC</i></p> <p><i>EA Engineering, Science &amp; Technology</i></p> <p><i>Eaton Corporation</i></p> <p><i>Froelich Engineers, Inc</i></p> <p><i>GeoEngineers, Inc.</i></p>	<p><i>GHD Inc.</i></p> <p><i>GRI-Geotechnical Resources</i></p> <p><i>Haley &amp; Aldrich</i></p> <p><i>HDR Engineering</i></p> <p><i>Intertek PSI</i></p> <p><i>Jacobs</i></p> <p><i>Kiewit</i></p> <p><i>KPF Consulting Engineers</i></p> <p><i>Kleinschmidt Group</i></p> <p><i>Lindahl Reed, Inc</i></p> <p><i>Mason, Bruce &amp; Girard, Inc.</i></p> <p><i>Mott MacDonald</i></p>	<p><i>Northwest Watersheds LLC</i></p> <p><i>North Wind Group</i></p> <p><i>NV5Parr Excellence</i></p> <p><i>Siemens Industries, Inc.</i></p> <p><i>Shannon &amp; Wilson Inc.</i></p> <p><i>Stantec, Inc.</i></p> <p><i>SWCA Environmental</i></p> <p><i>Tetra Tech Inc.</i></p> <p><i>Portland District – USACE</i></p> <p><i>Wood</i></p> <p><i>WSP</i></p> <p><i>Western Shelter</i></p>