

Top Four



Salem, OR

A Message from the President

Happy New Year! The holidays are finally behind us. Looking forward to February bringing us some much-needed Love in the air. Everyone is working together to come up with creative ways to keep everyone socializing and events to still happen. January, we had Estella from Pence speak to us about her Experiences starting out in Construction and her love for safety and how she started with Pence and what she is doing now. Loved hearing her story. Just finalizing all the Valentine Bouquet sales. Excited to have the Portland & Eugene Chapters join us at our General Meeting for our first Virtual Meet & Greet Cocktail hour with some fun games. The Coast Retreat has been changed to make it COVID friendly. The Coast Retreat/Camping Trip (Optional) is now the weekend of September 24th -26th in Pacific City. This is going to be a great weekend!

This year will only get better from here.



Julie Davis, President
Salem, OR Chapter #198

February 2021

Salem Chapter 198
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What We Do

Upcoming Events

- **February Meeting:** Wednesday, February 10th at 6pm. This meeting will be a Virtual Meet & Greet with the Portland and Eugene Chapters. If you would like to join us, please email Julie Davis at julied@pence.net for call in information.
- **Portland Chapter Virtual Meeting:** Thursday, February 18th from 5:30pm to 7pm. Our neighboring chapter, Portland NAWIC #54, will be having a fantastic speaker covering Pandemic Leadership on February 18th! If you are a woman in construction and want to listen in, go to our Facebook page at NAWIC Salem Chapter #198 to sign up.
- **Board Meeting:** Tuesday, March 2nd @ 5:30pm. This will be a virtual meeting. All are welcome to attend. Please reach out to Julie Davis for Zoom information if you are interested in attending.
- **NAWIC 101:** Monday, March 8th @ 6:00pm on Zoom. This will be a quarterly event for all new and potential new members. However, ALL members that want to join to either help answer questions or learn more about NAWIC are welcome to attend. Please reach out to Juli Foscoli at juli@southtownglass.com for Zoom information if you would like to join us.
- **WIC Week:** Sunday, March 7th through Friday, March 12th. We have several fun activities planned, some virtual and some in person (with Social Distancing, of course). Check out our Facebook page for details.

CTEC Minority Luncheons

The CTEC luncheons are going virtual. We had some great presentations to the girls last year and the school wants to build on that momentum. We are in the process of setting up a planning meeting. The planning meeting will consist of all the female teachers from the male dominated classes at CTEC (Construction, Manufacturing, Drones, Auto, and also Ag), the school's counselor, and NAWIC. We should be having a virtual meeting later this month, to collaborate ideas on how best to have this virtually and what we would like to cover to help these teenagers navigate career choices within male dominated classrooms and fields. Email Juli Foscoli at juli@southtownglass.com if you would like to participate.

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What We Have Done

Virtual Meetings

We continue to hold our meetings virtually. Hopefully, we can have in person meetings in the not too distant future. For our January meeting, we had a speaker, Estella from Pence. She spoke to us about how she became a safety professional.



Santiam Canyon Shed Building

On Saturday, Juli Foscoli, current VP of NAWIC Salem, organized a group of 17 volunteers to build 2 sheds for families from the Santiam Canyon, who lost everything to the wildfires this last year. Per Julie, "There are so many people and businesses to thank! Love our community's giant heart. ❤️ NAWIC Salem Chapter #198, Juan Coronel Free Agent PDX: Business Development Services, AJ Foscoli, Nick Harville, Teya Buchheit, White Oak Construction, Stayton Builder's Mart, AGC, Service Master. The list goes on. I'll make a proper post Monday tagging all the right people." Check out NAWIC Salem's Facebook page for pictures.

Who We Are

Member Spotlight

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- 1) **Your Name** – *Lexie Harvey*
- 2) **Company** – *White Oak Construction*
- 3) **Years with your employer** – *2 Years in July*
- 4) **Favorite Book** – *Monday Morning Leadership by David Cottrell is my favorite. It lives on my coffee table, and if you haven't read it, I recommend it!*
- 5) **Who has been a mentor to you and why?**
My sister, Emily Secord is a CFP with First Allied, and has helped me to always see the bigger picture. She is someone that I look to for insight on my financials, as well as any employment opportunities. She is a phenomenal sounding board and helps me keep pushing toward my goals!
- 6) **Day in the Life (describe a typical day at work)**
I do a lot of auditing, document creation/organization. I work on AR billing, project coordination and project engineering. I am found in the office on the phone talking to Suppliers, Subcontractors, Vendors, Clients, and Project Managers answering questions, working through emails, and running reports. In the field I take meeting minutes, work on punch lists, and sometimes pick up/deliver samples
- 7) **What is your favorite part of your job and why?**
I love all the interaction I have with so many different people. I could be talking to a CEO/Owner in one breath, and in the next, talking to a driver as I jump on a forklift to accept delivery. I also enjoy being able to solve problems and overcome issues that pop up – making someone else's day just a little less stressful!
- 8) **If you were living your childhood dream, what would you be doing?**
My childhood dream was to be a veterinarian with a training/boarding facility. I wanted the facility to be run as a dog amusement park, with various challenges like you would see in agility and working dog courses including a lazy river – because who doesn't love that?! My goal was to keep the Clinic pricing lower than most clinics, by charging a per use fee, or membership dues for the different courses in the park.

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Stay Connected

AGC Oregon-Columbia Chapter

- Wednesday, February 10, 8am to 10am
Safety & Health Council: Technology in Construction Webinar
To register, copy and paste the following link in your web browser <https://web.agc-oregon.org/events/Safety-Health-Council-Technology-in-Construction-7056/register>.
- Friday, February 19, 9am to 11am
AGC/ODOT Annual Meeting - Virtual
To register, copy and paste the following link in your web browser <https://web.agc-oregon.org/events/AGC-ODOT-Annual-Meeting-5979/register>.

NWUCA (Northwest Utility Contractors Association)

- Heavy Equipment Operations Apprenticeship open at NW College of Construction.
Registration Link: https://online.nwcoc.com/application_step2.lasso?Trade=operators

Salem Chamber

- Up-to-date Business Resources regarding COVID-19
<https://salemchamber.org/now/covid-19-resources/>
- Tuesday, February 16, noon to 1pm
Chamber Business Women's Luncheon – Virtual
Find the Zoom link on Salem Chamber Business Women Facebook Page or email Heidi@salemchamber.org or call 503-581-1466.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact any one of the following:

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