

JANUARY 21, 2010

Dinner Session: Peter Bhatia, Editor in Chief of the Oregonian
6:00 PM Networking | 6:45 PM Dinner | 7:15 to 8:00 PM Speaker



Peter Bhatia is the newly appointed Editor in Chief of The Oregonian. He came to the paper as managing editor in 1993.

He has been in journalism for over 30 years, working at newspapers in San Francisco, Spokane, Sacramento and Dallas. He is a former President of the American Society of Newspaper Editors where he also chaired a number of projects and committees. He has served as President of the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, and on the board of directors of the American Press Institute. He is a member of the South Asian Journalists Association and received its Journalism Leader Award in 2003 and was named to its Hall of Fame in 2007. Newsrooms he has managed and helped lead have won seven Pulitzer prizes (including four in Portland).

Peter has been very active in the Portland community serving as past operating board chair of the Albertina Kerr Centers. He is member of the board of trustees of St. Andrew Nativity School, a Jesuit-founded inner-city school that provides educational opportunities to disadvantaged kids. He has also been on the board of trustees at Jesuit High School. He served for four years as chairman of the school board at St. John Fisher School, where both his children attended. Peter is a native of Pullman, Washington, and loyal alumni of Stanford University. He and his wife Elizabeth Dahl (who is his high school sweetheart and also works at the Oregonian as Copy Editor) have two grown children.

PD Session: Windi Martin, Peter Wall, and Tony Neri all with Ernst & Young
"2009 Year End Update on Accounting and Reporting Rules, and SEC Hot Topics"
5:00–6:00 PM Speaker Presentation

Windi Martin is a Partner in the Portland office of Ernst & Young. She relocated to Portland in 2002 to help build the E&Y assurance practice. Windi primarily works with public and private companies in the consumer product, high technology, life science and emerging growth industries. She is a graduate of Central Washington University and licensed in Oregon and Washington.

Peter Wall is an Audit Senior Manager in Ernst & Young's Portland office. Peter recently transferred from Ernst & Young's Seattle practice and brings extensive experience serving large multinational SEC reporting companies as well as emerging software and technology companies. Peter earned his Masters of Professional Accountancy from the University of Utah. Peter regularly serves as an area instructor on PNW XBRL subject matter resource. He is licensed in Oregon and Washington.

Tony Neri is an Audit Senior Manager. He primarily serves manufacturing, technology and retail clients. Tony has extensive experience with financial reporting for public and private companies, adoption of new accounting standards and compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley. He worked in the E&Y UK office for 2 years before moving to Portland. Tony is licensed in Oregon, Washington and Ohio and serves on the program committee for the FEI Portland chapter.

January 21, 2010
Multnomah Athletic Club

4:00 PM Career Management—Rob Hamilton, Robert Half Management Resources
5:00 PM Professional Development—Windi Martin, Peter Wall, Tony Neri
6:00 PM Social Hour—hosted refreshments
6:45 PM Dinner
7:15 PM Dinner Speaker—Peter Bhatia
8:00 PM Adjourn

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Welcome back from the holidays! For many of us with December year-end activity, the months of January and February are very hectic at work. Getting together with our peers at the FEI meetings helps us keep our sanity during these stressful times, so be sure to attend our January meeting to get support from your peers. We are pleased to have Peter Bhatia, Executive Editor of *The Oregonian*, speak to us about how *The Oregonian* fits in the world of business news coverage and how newspapers are changing in the era of the internet, blogs, social networks etc. We will welcome Windi Martin, Tony Neri, and Peter Wall from Ernst & Young, Friend of FEI, to talk to us at the Professional Development session and give us an accounting update.

At the January meeting, we will be honoring the new Key Club members. The Key Club recognizes longstanding FEI members with 25, 40 and 50 years of service. We will be recognizing Roy Marvin for his 40 years of membership in FEI, as well as, Alexis Dow, Steve Hooker, and William Peressini for their 25 years of membership with FEI. Congratulations!

Leatherman Tour Summary

In November, we had a wonderful tour of Leatherman Tools, followed by food and beverage and an opportunity to mingle with FEI members and Leatherman Tool representatives. We first had an overview of their processes from Rakesh Sridharan, Vice President Operations. In small groups, we were led through the shop floor, learning about their ongoing efficiency implementations. They talked about implementing "lean manufacturing" which focused on continuous improvement.

FEI Friend Recognition and Casino Night

Get ready to gamble the night away at the FEI Casino Night, where we will take the opportunity to recognize our Friends! On Thursday, February 18, you can get \$1,000 in scrip to entertain yourself with blackjack, craps, roulette and Texas hold 'em. You will be able to trade in winnings at the end of the night for tickets to win fun raffle prizes. Spouses and significant others are welcome, as well as potential FEI members.

FERF Fundraiser

At our February Casino Night, we will also be raising funds for the Financial Executive Research Foundation (FERF), which is funded by donations from FEI chapters and individuals. Your donation is tax-deductible. We will be having a silent auction to entice you to make donations, and also will be selling additional gambling scrip, with proceeds benefiting FERG.

Career Information

In January, we are beginning a four-part Career Management series. It will take place from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. on the nights of our dinner meetings in January, March, April and May. In January, we are happy to have Rob Hamilton, Robert Half Management Resources, speak to us about the current hiring outlook for financial management positions. It is sure to be of interest to all of us.

We want to help keep you informed about the CFO job market, to help you know how your job stacks up with changes in the market. We also want to spread the word when you have a job change. Please send to Sugie Joseph (Sugie.Joseph@portofportland.com) any job openings that we can share with members via LinkedIn and any changes in your career to post in the newsletter.

We look forward to seeing you at the January meeting and at our February Casino Night! Feel free to bring potential members anytime and every time!

Kyle Davidson, President

Portland Chapter, FEI

MEMBERSHIP NEWS!

Dear Fellow Member:

Happy New Year! I am glad that 2009 is behind us. What a very challenging year! It is with great anticipation that we look forward to all of the great things in store for 2010. We welcomed several new members in the last few months of 2009: Alec Anderson, Don Belden, Pete Craven, Todd Henne, Paul Henry, Olaf Janke, Dean Larsen and Richard Zimmermann. This brings the total membership to 198. Please take a minute and introduce yourself to them at your earliest convenience. We still need to add additional members in 2010 if we are to achieve our goal of 205 members in the Portland Chapter.

The Membership Committee is planning another Prospective Membership Mixer soon. In order to be successful we need your assistance. I'm asking each member to jot down the names of two prospective members and bring them to the January meeting. We would be happy to contact the people you've listed. We can also provide information and handouts if you would rather contact your two people directly.

Remember that FEI is the preeminent association for financial executives. With your help we will keep it that way. Thank you for your continued membership and all of us on the Membership Committee are here to assist you in continuing to grow the Portland Chapter into 2010 and beyond.

Sincerely,

Mike Williams
VP of Membership

*** CASINO NIGHT ***



FRIEND APPRECIATION NIGHT AND FERF FUNDRAISER

Thursday, February 18, 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Join Portland FEI for a night of gambling, including Black Jack, Craps, Roulette, and Texas Hold 'em, at the World Trade Center. The cost will be \$20 per person for the event and free for our Friends. Spouses, significant others, and guests eligible for FEI membership are welcome to join us for a fun evening to get to know our Friends and raise money for FERF, Financial Executives Research Foundation.

Hors d'oeuvres, 2 Drink tickets, and \$1,000 in scrip will be provided. At the end of the evening, for every \$200 in scrip you will receive a raffle ticket. Each raffle ticket can be placed next to a prize of your choice. The more gambling winnings you have, the better your chances are of winning the raffle prizes.

You can also extend your gambling fun by purchasing \$200 of scrip for \$20 which will be donated to the Financial Executives Research Foundation (FERF). FERF operates only on donations contributed by chapters and individuals. We will also have a silent auction where you will be able to buy items to benefit FERF. Please bring your checkbook to help support the invaluable research that FERF provides to us!

[Click here for registration!](#)



SAVE THE DATE!

January 21, 2010

DINNER: Peter Bhatia, Executive Editor, The Oregonian

PD: "Accounting Update" Tony Neri, Ernst & Young

Career Management: Landing your Next Job: Hiring Outlook, Robert Half Management Resources

February 18, 2010

WINTER SOCIAL: Casino Night at World Trade Center

March 18, 2010

DINNER: Merritt Paulson, Owner of Portland Timbers and Beavers

PD: "Succession Planning" Eugene Wallace, Family Business Advisors

Career Management: Resume Development, Wendy Kent, On-Site Financial, Inc.

April 15, 2010

*****ACADEMIC NIGHT*****

DINNER: Ray Davis, President Umpqua Bank

PD: "Fraud in the Workplace" Bill Douglas, Cost Advisors, Inc.

Career Management: Networking, Hank Heath, On-Site Financial, Inc.

May 20, 2010

DINNER: Jim Mark, Melvin Mark Properties

PD: "The Permission Principle" Sari de la Motte, Nonverbal Solutions

Career Management: To Be Determined

Additional Chapter Events

June 9, 2010: Golf Outing (tentative date)

June 17, 2010: Special PD Session on Globalization, including IFRS Discussion

JANUARY SPOTLIGHT!

CAREER MANAGEMENT SERIES!

The Career Management committee for Portland FEI will be offering a series of talks from 4:00 to 5:00 on the nights of our monthly dinner meetings starting January 21, 2010. Come to our first talk of the year to find out about landing your next opportunity and hiring/compensation outlook. This presentation will be beneficial to both those currently employed and those seeking career changes.

1/21/10 – Landing your next job; Accounting/Finance hiring and compensation outlook, Rob Hamilton, Robert Half Management Resources

3/18/10 – Resume development & Resume lab, Wendy Kent, On-Site Financial, Inc.

4/15/10 – Networking including social networking sites, Hank Heath, On-Site Financial, Inc.

5/20/10 – TBA

FERF PUBLICATIONS

Did you know that the National FEI Web Site offers an amazing amount of information? One of the best spots is the Topic Library, FERG Publications. On that list, you can find information such as:

- Segregation of Duties Checklist
- Technology Issues For Financial Executives
- 2009 Audit Fee Survey
- 2009 Financial Executive Compensation Survey

And all of the information is free to members and easy to access.

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