

# **DIRT WORLD**

**W O R K S H O P   S E R I E S**

in partnership with  **KNIFE RIVER**

**JUNE 3-6, 2024**

**ALBANY, OR**

## DAY 1

Monday, June 3rd

Plan flights in to Portland Airport by 2 pm PT if possible, shuttles will be available from the airport.

**5:00 pm - 6:00 pm**      **Welcome and Introductions**  
Speaker: Kris Latimer / Aaron Witt

**6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**      **Dinner and Networking**

## DAY 2

Tuesday, June 4th

**6:15 am - 7:00 am**      **Optional Fellowship Coffee**  
Speaker: Pastor Daron Earlewine

**7:00 am - 7:45 am**      **Breakfast**

### Morning Sessions

**8:00 am - 11:45 am**      **Lessons Learned on the Battlefield for Training & Development**  
Speaker: JP Dinnell, Chief Training Officer, Echelon Front

**11:45am - 1:00 pm**      **Lunch**

### Afternoon Sessions

**1:00 pm - 1:45 pm**      **The Knife River Story**  
Speaker: Brian Gray, President and CEO, Knife River

**1:45 pm - 2:30 pm**      **Aaron's Dirt World Report**  
Aaron Witt, Founder and CEO, BuildWitt

**2:30 pm - 3:00 pm**      **Leveraging Ai to Provide a World-Class Training and Support Program**  
Mike Carris, Channel Performance Manager, Trimble

**3:20 pm - 5:30 pm**      **Knife River Training Center - Tours**  
Knife River Training Team

Tour Stations:

- **Station 1** - Innovations in Technology for Equipment Training
- **Station 2** - Sim Town
- **Station 3** - Instructor and Leadership Development
- **Station 4** - KRTC building tour

**5:30 pm - 7:00 pm**      **Dinner and Networking**

**Breakout Sessions:** Split into 3 groups of 50, everyone rotates through all 3 sessions

**7:00 am - 7:45 am**

**Breakfast**

**8:00 am - 8:50 am**

**Leverage Video-Based Micro-Learning to Improve Training Retention**

Speaker: Randy Blount, Chief Product Officer, BuildWitt

### Morning Sessions

**9:00 am - 11:45 am**

**1**

**Knife River: Developing Talent for the Long Term**

Speaker: Knife River Training Team

**2**

**Frontline Leadership Training That Works**

Speaker: Wally Adamchik, Speaker & Consultant, Firestarter

**3**

**Morgan Corp – Training & Development Overview**

Speaker: TBD, Morgan Corp team

**11:45 am - 1:00 pm**

**Lunch**

### Afternoon Sessions

**1:00 pm - 4:00 pm**

**4**

**Non-Traditional Recruiting: Youth to DBE**

Speakers: Kris Latimer, Senior Director for Training & Development, Knife River & Aron Nick, Recruiting Manager, Strack

**5**

**Construction Memories–Using Stories to Make Training Stick**

Speaker: Jeff Spatz, Vice President Safety Services, Graham Company

**6**

**Constructing Success Through Training -- The Hoopaugh Grading Academy Story**

Speakers: Katie Page, Director of Team Development and Andrea Ribelin, Training and Curriculum Specialist, Hoopaugh Grading

**4:00 pm - 4:45 pm**

**Turning Pain into Purpose – From Leadership Burnout to Mental Health Advocate**

Speaker: Justin Azbill, Director National EHS, Milwaukee Tools

**5:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

**Dinner and Private Event - Steam Engine Train Ride**

# DAY 4

Thursday, June 6th

 **Breakout Sessions:** Split into 3 groups of 50 by company size

7:00 am - 7:45 am

**Breakfast**

## Morning Sessions

8:00 am - 10:00 am



### Group Discussion on Training & Development

Moderator: Ryan Schmitt, CEO, Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors



### Group Discussion on Training & Development

Speaker: Chris Stricklin, President, Dunn University



### Group Discussion on Training & Development

Speaker: Bruce Wilkinson, Director of Learning & Development,  
Allan Myers

10:00 am - 10:45 am

### Four Foundations for Building Your Purpose

Speaker: Pastor Daron Earlewine

10:45 am - 11:00 am

### Debrief and Closing

Speaker: Jason Richmond, COO, BuildWitt

11:00 am

### Departures

Shuttle to the airport