

Webinar Presenters



Daniel Bartholomew

Dan Bartholomew has spent his career helping companies thrive at the nexus of service, technology and innovation. He joined Free Geek as its first Executive Director in August 2016.

Prior to joining Free Geek, Dan served as the Managing Partner of Griffin Dunn, LLC, where he worked with start-ups and established companies to deliver outstanding executive coaching and strategic consulting.

Over the course of his career, Dan has held Partnership tenure at several Big Four consulting organizations, where he built leading industry- and geographically-based practices. He has served as a Partner at KPMG, Senior Director at Navigant, Senior Managing Director at Price Waterhouse Coopers, Executive Sales Team Leader at HP, Vice President of Professional Sales and then Chief Operating Officer at Dynamic Healthcare Systems, as well as serving for six years as a partner at Off the Line Coaching, a consulting and advisory business for healthcare companies and executives.

Dan found zeal for mission-based work founding ROHI, an orphanage and school for the street children of Kenya. When not at work, he is passionately cooking for friends and family, having been "schooled" in a whirlwind of apprenticeships in some of the world's most popular restaurants.



Gregory Betts

Greg Betts is a Sr. Transfer Operations Supervisor for Lane County Public Works Waste Management. Greg supervises truck drivers, equipment operators, and workers. Lane County manages 15 garbage and recycling transfer sites.

Greg previously worked his way up through the ranks at a food distribution company. He worked in warehousing, delivery, became Warehouse Supervisor, to Operations Manager. Greg thrives on the challenges of logistics and in gaining efficiencies. He also enjoys providing opportunities for employees to advance in their careers. In 2013 Greg accepted a supervisory role with Lane County.




Greg's hobbies and interests includes hiking, boating, and golf. He especially enjoys crabbing and fishing with his grandsons.



Josh Brown

Josh Brown is currently the District Manager for Arrow Sanitary Services, based out of Portland, OR. Josh grew up in the garbage business in Northern Nevada where his family owned a small hauling company.

He attended college at the University of Nevada Reno obtaining his Bachelor Degree in Business Management. Inevitably after college, he returned to running the family business in Elko Nevada. In 2007 his family sold their company to Waste Connections, where he has held several District Manager positions leading

	<p>companies in Nevada, Idaho, Montana, and now Oregon.</p> <p>Throughout his career he has also held leadership roles within the industry such as Montana Solid Waste Contractors Board President, Portland Haulers Association Secretary, and Clackamas County Haulers Association Treasurer and President. Being a 3rd generation garbage man, Josh's passion for the industry and the teams he has the opportunity to lead, are clearly exhibited by his commitment and character.</p>
	<p>Sarah Grimm Sarah Grimm is Waste Reduction Specialist for Lane County Public Works. She manages the County's waste reduction and recycling outreach services at 15 transfer stations, a Master Recycler Program and the County's compliance with state Opportunity to Recycle rules.</p> <p>Sarah graduated with a BA in Spanish from Portland State University. Inspired by how compost turns garbage into great gardens, she attended the first ever Master Recycler Program offered in Oregon; her volunteer activities and fascination with the subject soon transformed this life-long waitress into a recycling specialist. Sarah moved to Eugene in 1996 to serve as education coordinator for BRING Recycling until her voice gave out. She has been with Lane County since 2005.</p> <p>Sarah co-chaired the Sustainability Committee of the Eugene '08 Olympic Track and Field Trials for which they received awards from County Commissioners, the state Association of Oregon Recyclers and the International Olympic Committee for Sustainability and Environment. And she currently serves on the Statewide Steering Committee to Modernize Oregon's Recycling Systems. Sarah's personal passions include fishing, art and gardening.</p>
	<p>Pierce Louis Pierce Louis is a co-founder at Dirt Hugger, a 62,000 ton per year composting company located in Dallesport, WA. Dirt Hugger processes organics for Portland, Oregon, Vancouver, WA and the Columbia River Gorge communities accepting commercial food scraps, residential yard debris with food waste, whole fruit, liquid brewery residuals and more. Dirt Hugger sells over 25,000 yards per year of organic compost into the retail, orchard & vineyard, farm, and construction markets. Pierce serves as the 'Swiss Army Knife' & CEO at Dirt Hugger as well as on the board of the US Composting Council.</p>
	<p>Amy Roth Amy has worked in the recycling and materials management industry for over 20 years, with her career starting in state government on both coasts. Amy has been the resource director for the Association of Oregon Recyclers since 2010 and has consulted on a range of projects and grant writing with other clients including the American Chemistry Council, Association of Oregon Recyclers, City of Portland, Denton Plastics, Green Electronics Council, Oregon Green Schools, Responsible Purchasing Network, and The Recycling Partnership. Amy holds a B.A. in Environmental Policy and an M.A. in Urban Planning, both from Boston University.</p>

**Joel Schoening**

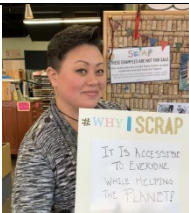
Joel Schoening grew up in California and has considered Oregon home since 1998. While living in San Francisco, he discovered a passion for sustainable urbanization, democracy, and social change, and went on to make those areas the focus of a Ph.D. in Sociology at the University of Oregon. For the last 10 years he's been leading communications programs for public infrastructure and sustainability projects. He currently manages strategic communications for the Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative, the industry steward of Oregon's heralded bottle deposit and return program. He serves as a board member for the Vanport Mosaic and the Association of Oregon Recyclers. He and his spouse live in NE Portland and where they share the benefits of life in Pacific Northwest with family and friends.

**Joel Sherman**

Joel Sherman is a Senior Analyst and Forecaster in Metro's Waste Prevention and Environmental Services (WPES) department. He helped build, and currently manages the Solid Waste Information System, and he produces Metro's annual Solid Waste Forecast. Joel has been neck-deep in solid waste data at Metro for over 13 years, and he likes to think that he turns this data into useful information and business intelligence for his many clients.

Joel holds a degree in Environmental Science (BS) at the University of Michigan and a Masters in Public Policy & Administration (MPA) from the University of Washington.

When not at work, Joel can be found racing his cyclocross bike around the northwest in the fall and winter, and spending time with his wife and two small children.

**Elizabeth Start**

Elizabeth C. Start is Executive Director of SCRAP Creative Reuse, a nonprofit organization with six locations across the U.S. She has worked in reuse, recycling, and solid waste for over 18 years through nonprofit, government and private sector work. Elizabeth's passion for reuse and creativity began as a child and reuse has been a driving force in her work with SCRAP. She lives in Milwaukie with her spouse, human child, and two furry kids.

**Colin Staub**

Colin Staub is a senior reporter at Resource Recycling, Inc., which publishes Resource Recycling, Plastics Recycling Update and E-Scrap News. He joined the publication in 2017.

**Molly Vogt**

Molly Vogt is the Analytics Manager for Waste Prevention and Environmental Services at Metro. Holding a BA and MA in Geography, she has provided spatial analysis, performance measurement, and interactive tools to serve the greater good for the past 20 years. She strives to strengthen public trust in government and support people in bringing their individual talents together to do great things. Molly is learning how to turn scrap wood into cutting boards and play bar chords even though they're really hard. She also likes mountains a lot.