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PNWA is accepting nominations for the Walter H. Evans Memorial Award

The Walter H. Evans Memorial Award has been established by PNWA, and our association is now accepting nominations for the inaugural presentation of this annual award. PNWA felt it was important to commemorate Walt's contributions to the port and maritime community, and honor his memory with this award. Walt Evans was a mentor to countless PNWA members in the Northwest, as well as PNWA staff for several decades.

After graduating from the University of Oregon and Willamette University College of Law, Walt clerked for the Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court. Walt then moved to Washington, DC, where he served as the Legal Counsel to Oregon Senator Mark Hatfield. Walt began his work helping Northwest towboat and barge companies in the early 1980s, when major water policy changes were proposed and debated. Walt was especially influential in shaping the landmark 1986 WRDA. For nearly a decade, Walt represented the State of Oregon's Ports Division, working extensively with the Corps of Engineers and other federal agencies and legislators to advance Oregon port projects. During his time at Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt, Walt helped ports solve a wide variety of issues over the years, often in the regulatory or legislative arenas.

Walt was very active in PNWA for decades. Walt was extremely generous with his expertise and welcomed every new arrival to the navigation industry and our region with a warm handshake and words

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of advice. We were honored to feature Walt as a guest speaker at many of our meetings, and we were truly honored to partner with him and to learn from him.

The Walter H. Evans Memorial Award is intended to honor outstanding contributions by a PNWA member to the Northwest port and maritime community, as well as outreach and mentorship of PNWA members and colleagues. Do you know an active PNWA member who should be recognized for their efforts? Please contact [Tereza Edwards](#) by September 14th. The inaugural presentation of the Walter H. Evans Memorial Award will take place the evening of Wednesday, October 10th at the PNWA [Annual Convention](#) gala reception at the Hilton Vancouver Washington.



Requesting nominations for PNWA's 2018 Distinguished Service Awards

PNWA is requesting nominations for our Distinguished Service Awards, to be presented at the Gala Reception on October 10th held in conjunction with the PNWA Annual Convention. We will be honoring individuals who have made significant contributions in our region and our organization. Eligible nominees include representatives from PNWA member organizations, federal agency partners and other colleagues who have made an impact over the years, including port commissioners or staff, project managers, and those who have helped to develop policies and projects that benefit the Northwest economy and environment.

Please send your nominations to [Tereza Edwards](#) no later than **Friday, August 31st**. Thank you in advance for taking the time to send in your recommendations!



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