

# NAWIC NETWORK

Eugene Chapter No. 77

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February 2010

## Important Dates:

### 13<sup>th</sup> General Meeting

**Topic:** "Matt Court Project" presented by Tina Guard from Balzhiser & Hubbard Engineers

**Location:** Boulevard Grill

**Time:** No host bar 5:30,  
Meeting 6:00

### 14<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's Day

### 20<sup>th</sup> - Casual Luncheon

**Location:** Izzy's Pizza  
1930 Mohawk Blvd.

**Time:** 12:00 noon

### 27<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting

**Location:** Knife River

**Time:** 5:30pm

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## Message from the President

Block Kids is just around the corner. Judges are still needed so please be sure to ask your boss, co-workers, etc. if they would like to help out. Last year we had almost 80 kids attend and we are looking at a big turnout again this year. We still have to count blocks and put goody bags together, so after our NAWIC meeting on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> we will have a work party. If you can stay and help out that would be great. Block Kids Competition is just a fun event so be sure to sign up to help if you haven't already done so.

Oregon Retreat is coming up soon also, March 6th. The registration form is in the newsletter and will also be posted on our web site. Be sure to put this one on your schedule.

Region 9 Forum is coming together. Robin and Carrie have the registration forms almost done and a tentative agenda put together. Robin will have lots of information for us at our meeting including a list of things she needs help with. This is a big event for our chapter and a great event to attend. Once you attend just one forum you are hooked! They are inspiring, informative and tons of fun.

Diana Corbin, Anne Thompson, Carrie Fortier and I attended the Joint CIS "Economic Forecast" meeting. It was very interesting and Diana has written a recap of the presentation for our newsletter. It was not all good news or bad news. There is hope and things will progressively get better, but I think it will be a slow process. I know many of you may be struggling now and remember that your NAWIC friends are here to support you.

WIC Week is March 7<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>. Ellie is putting together two events for the week, helping out at Food for Lane County and a breakfast.

Our speaker for the February meeting is Tina Guard from Balzhiser & Hubbard Engineers and she will have a presentation on the new "Matt Court" Basketball Area that is currently being built. We will also be voting on "WIC of the Year", "Lifetime Achievement", and Future Leader of the Year". Our eligible members for "Future Leader" are Cassandra Cranston, Kristi Durant, Deanna Brandt. Our nominees for "WIC of the Year" are Anne Thompson and "Lifetime Achievement" Sharon Anderson. You can also still nominate a member at our meeting before the voting takes place.

Hope to see you all at our February meeting.

Nancy

# IT'S ALL ABOUT THE MEMBERS!

As our membership grows it's important that we celebrate each other's lives and accomplishments, please make sure and send me information about something special in your life or in the life of one of our fellow members so we can share that information with the rest of the group ~ Thanks, Carrie

## February NAWIC Anniversaries

<u>Member</u>	<u># of Years</u>	<u>Year Joined</u>
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**No anniversaries  
this month**



**Birthdays**

**Cary Kuvass                      3<sup>rd</sup>**

## **Mystery Member of the Month**

My heroes are everyday people who regularly make a positive difference in the lives of others. Green is my favorite color. A fun fact about my family is we traveled across the county and back (6,000 miles) in a mini-van within 12 days – and we made it with our sanity intact. I was born in Champagne-Urbana, Illinois but if I could live anywhere it would be somewhere/anywhere in the Caribbean. If I won the lottery I would travel across the world and see new places/cultures/geography. My favorite way to relax is to do yoga/meditate. When I was growing up I wanted to be a physician. My favorite movie is "Edward Scissorhands" My hobbies are mmmmmmmmmm... who has time for a hobby?

*If you believe you know this month's mystery member email your guess to [cfortier@jrcca.com](mailto:cfortier@jrcca.com), at the General meeting the "Mystery Member" will be announced.*

**January's Mystery Member was ... Sharon Anderson**

# OUR CHAPTER

## MONTHLY LUNCHEON SCHEDULE:

Come join us for Chapter 77's monthly casual lunches, which are always held the 3rd Wednesday of the month, the schedule of locations for the remaining lunches for the year are as follows. The purpose of these lunches is for our members to have a chance to get to know one another better in a casual/social setting; we hope to see you there!

February 17	Izzy's Pizza (Buffet)	1930 Mohawk Blvd.
March 17	Empire Buffet	1933 Franklin Blvd.
April 21	Applebee's	3024 Gateway St.
May 19	P.F. Chang's China Bistro	Oakway Center
June 16	Don Juan's	2650 River Rd.
July 21	Kabuki's	2130 W 11 <sup>th</sup> Ave.
August 18	Sushi Domo	1020 Green Acres Rd.
September 15	Kuraya's Thai Cuisine	1410 Mohawk Blvd.

### 2009- 2010 LEADERSHIP:

#### OFFICERS:

*President* – Nancy Ograin

*President Elect* – Open

*Vice President* – Amanda Ring

*Recording Secretary* – Robin Langkamp, CIT

*Corresponding Secretary* – Ellie Cooper

*Treasurer* – Jenny West

*Immediate Past President* – Anne Thompson

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Jan Sandusky, CIT

Michele Riggs

Twylla Tatum

Sharon Anderson

## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**March** – Women's Health Issues - Dr. Brooke Kyle

**April** – Savings in rough economy – Dorinda Dawes, Liberty Bank

**May** – Winner Dinner

**June** – Using social websites – Amanda Ring and Robin Langkamp

**July** – Tour

**August** – Picnic

**September** – Installation of our new officers

# OUR CHAPTER, continued

## Recap of Last Month's Meeting

### "Changes at the CCB"

Nancy Weber from the Oregon Construction Contractors Board was our speaker at the January meeting. She focused on the new CCB Residential and Commercial Endorsement classifications and also the continuing education requirements.

There are several classifications for both residential and commercial endorsements. Contractors can hold several endorsements. Nancy talked about the Residential Endorsement and the Commercial General Contractor Level 1 and 2. Residential contractors may perform work on a single-family residence, apartment complex or condos of 4 stories or less, and small commercial structures under 10,000 sq.ft. The bond requirement is \$20,000.

Commercial General Contractor Level 1 and Level 2 can perform (partly or completely) or supervise an unlimited number of unrelated building trades involving any small or large commercial structure or project. Both Level 1 and 2 contractors can perform the same work. The difference is the years of experience and bond requirements. A Level 1 contractor must have 8 years of experience in the construction field and a \$75,000 bond is required. Level 2 requires 4 years experience and a \$20,000 bond.

There are also continuing education requirements for both residential and commercial contractors. Residential contractors must complete 16 hours of continuing education during the two year license period. Eight hours must be in mandatory subject areas (Core) and eight hours are discretionary (Electives). Contractors can choose electives that are construction related, that the contractor determines is important for their business. Core continuing education consists of:

- 3 hours in Building Exterior Shell Training (BEST)
- 2 hours in Building Codes or Green /Sustainable Building Practices
- 3 hours in CCB Business Law and Practices

Residentially endorsed contractors will begin meeting continuing education (CE) requirements with CCB license renewals on or after October 1, 2011.

Beginning July 1, 2010, contractors with a commercial endorsement will be required to have completed continuing education at the time of their license renewal. It may be obtained by one key employee or multiple key employees. Key employees are:

- Corporate officer
- Manager
- Superintendent
- Foreperson
- Lead person
- Any other person who exercises management or supervisory authority over the construction activities of the business.

## OUR CHAPTER, continued

### Recap of Last Month's Meeting

The following is the number of hours required.

Commercial Endorsement	# of Key Employees	# of CE Hours
Commercial General Contractor Level 1 (CGC1) or	5 or more	80
	4	64
	3	48
	2	32
	1	16
Commercial General Contractor Level 2 (CGC2) or	Doesn't matter	32

The number CE hours are for the two-year licensing period. There are contractors who are exempt from the educational requirements two of which are plumbers and electricians.

Nancy talked about many different things, including that locksmiths must now have a CCB license and there are new certifications involving companies removing lead based paint. The educational requirement classes are still being worked on and visit their website for more information

We had a lively group asking many interesting questions and from our discussion, the new education requirements will definitely be a challenge for the small contractor. For our members that attended this presentation, it can count for 1 hour of your continuing education.

### A note for Janet Spriggs – Cad/Drafting competition Chair:

I have 19 entries submitted for this year's CAD/Drafting competition. The deadline for entry was January 14<sup>th</sup> and the deadline for drawing entry to me is Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. All of my entries this year are for CAD (from Thurston and Springfield only), I don't have any entered for the Hand-Drafting portion of the competition.

Janet

**“Habitat for Humanity”** – A new women built home is starting in May or June or July of this year in our area and they would like NAWIC to participate by putting on seminars on how to train the workers and of course they are looking for donations of materials or money. There were several members at our January meeting willing to put something together. More information to come.

**“Women in the Trades”** event is May 8<sup>th</sup> at LCC 9:45am to 3:30 pm. The event is to recruit women into the trades and they are focusing on middle school girls. They are looking for volunteers to help out at the event. Cassandra is on their committee and will get us more information on how we can help out.

## OUR CHAPTER, continued

### Recap of CSI NAWIC AGC CFMA AIA Joint Meeting

#### ECONOMIC FORECAST - 11 IS BETTER THAN 10

Presented by John Mitchell on January 28, 2010

Recap by Diana Corbin, CIT

This is my synopsis of the economic forecast given at the Hilton on 1/28/10:

1. 2008-2009 the only sector with growth was medical and (private) education (public education is included in government)
2. Way too many empty office buildings right now – construction loans/building loans upside down
3. #1 in the USA for not losing jobs is North Dakota. Oregon is #44 for retaining jobs (or #6 in the nation for jobs lost)
4. Temp agencies are starting to hire some again and they are the first sector to usually see the change
5. 3Q 2009 finally on the way back up
  - a. Exports gained a lot in this quarter
  - b. Employment was up and unemployment claims down slightly
  - c. Consumer spending was up slightly
  - d. Housing permits were up from approximately 455,000 to 625,000 nationally
6. 4Q2009 numbers come out on Friday January 29, 2010 and they should be better than 3Q (so I got up early Friday morning to see the economic news and he was right 4Q numbers were better than 3Q)
  - a. Just because the numbers for 3Q and 4Q are better than 2008 and 1Q and 2Q 2009 does not mean the American people ‘feel it’ yet
  - b. Is it the beginning of the end of the recession? Probably will not be the ‘V’ curve more like the ‘U’ curve, hopefully it will not be the dreaded ‘W’ curve or the ‘L’
7. Watch the Feds and interest rates they cannot go down anymore and in April we may see a slight raise in the interest rates from the Feds
8. So for Oregon and specifically construction:
  - a. The first half of 2010 will be like the last half of 2009
  - b. Second half of 2010 will be better
  - c. 2011 will be better than 2010
    - i. When the rest of the country starts to move again Oregon will see an upswing in lumber products
    - ii.

On the light side – National Economists Day is April 1<sup>st</sup>

## Quote of the Month

*Love does not consist of gazing at each other, but in looking together in the same direction.*

~ANTOINE DE SAINT-EXUPERY

## FROM THE NAWIC NATIONAL OFFICE

### Highlights from the February The Connection

#### **Immortalize Your Mentor**

Do you know someone who has supported the role of women in the construction industry? Or someone who is a role model for women in the industry? How about someone who exemplifies that "WE CAN DO IT" attitude? If so, consider nominating that person for your region's Vision of Excellence Awards and/or the national Crystal Vision Awards.

#### **Find us on Facebook®**

Since so many great things happen in NAWIC, we created a place to share success stories. It is the NAWIC National Fan Page located on Facebook. Feel free to add pictures or video of your chapter's triumphs, start discussions about growth strategies, event ideas, etc. It is the forum for chapters to transcend geography and source the full power of NAWIC. Become a Fan today! NAWIC National - U.S.A.

#### **54th Annual Meeting Minutes**

Click here to access all the meeting minutes from NAWIC's 54th Annual Meeting and Convention held this past summer in Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 26-29, 2009.

#### **Super Conference**

The Call for Presentations is now open for the Construction SuperConference 2010, to be held on December 8 -10, 2010 in San Francisco, Calif. The mission of the Construction SuperConference is to provide the legal and construction community with the highest quality educational content in a 2.5 day event. All educational sessions should be targeted to executive attendees. Educational content may follow, but is not limited to, the below categories that impact the industry including:

#### **The Home Depot® Scholarship Opportunities**

This year's program will not only support individual students but also the schools they attend. Specifically, \$1,000 scholarships will be available to 500 trade school students to help them offset the cost of tuition, books and tools for their chosen trade. The schools of the scholarship recipients will receive additional funds for classroom tools from The Home Depot Foundation through matching gifts of \$1,000 for each scholarship awarded to one or more of their students. Scholarship applications will be accepted through April 30, 2010 online at [www.homedepot.com/tradescholarship](http://www.homedepot.com/tradescholarship).

## NAWIC's Core Purpose

To enhance the success of women in the construction industry.

## NAWIC's Core Values

- Believe in ourselves
- Persevere with the strength of our convictions
- Dare to move into new horizons

# REGION 9 NEWS

## Regional Chairs:

Construction Profession and Education  
Membership  
PR/Marketing  
WIC Week  
Safety Health  
CAD Drafting  
Parliamentarian  
NEF Liaison  
NEF Fund Raisers  
Block Kids

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# NAWIC CALENDAR

Upcoming Local, Regional and National events:

**2010**

February 16, 2010: Block Kids, Gateway Mall, Spfd, OR

March 6, 2010: Oregon Coast Retreat, Adobe in Yachats, OR

March 7 – 13: WIC Week

May 14-15, 2010: Forum, Eugene, Oregon

September 1-4, 2010: Annual Meeting and Convention,  
Louisville, Kentucky

Fall 2010: Annual Planning Conference, Salem, OR

**2011**

August 31 – Sept. 3, 2011: Annual Meeting and Convention, St.  
Louis, Mo.

Do you have a NAWIC event that needs to be added to the

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# INDUSTRY CONNECTIONS IN OUR AREA

**AGC – Associated General Contractors of Oregon-Columbia** [www.agc-oregon.org](http://www.agc-oregon.org)

Call 541-826-6610 or contact Jeanne Staton at [jeanne@statonco.com](mailto:jeanne@statonco.com)

**OSN – Oregon Subcontractors Network** [www.subcontractor-network.com](http://www.subcontractor-network.com)

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at The Waterfront on MLK Blvd. in Eugene.

Social 6:00 pm, Dinner 6:30, Program 7:30 Cost \$20.00

Call 541-484-5530 or contact Diana Corbin at [kcdc1022@aol.com](mailto:kcdc1022@aol.com)

**CFMA – Construction Financial Management Association** [www.cfma.org](http://www.cfma.org)

Meeting times and dates vary

For more information contact Sandee Gerber at [sandee@twinrp.com](mailto:sandee@twinrp.com)

**CSI – Construction Specification Institute** [www.csiwvc.org](http://www.csiwvc.org)

Meets the last Thursday of each month at the Eugene Hilton, top floor, Vista room.

Social 4:30 pm, Dinner 5:30, Program 6:30 Cost \$10.00

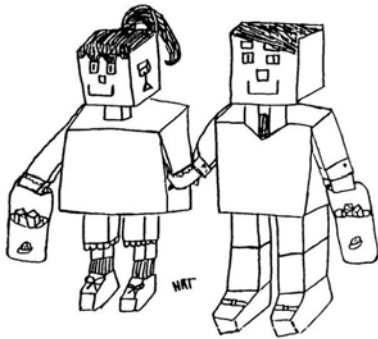
Call 541-687-0129 or contact Brenda at [bab@mrrichards.com](mailto:bab@mrrichards.com)

**HBA - Home Builders Association** [www.hbalanecounty.org](http://www.hbalanecounty.org)

Meets the last Tuesday of every month at the Valley River Inn.

6:00 pm Cost is \$22.00

Call 541-686-6529 or contact Linda at [lindac@hblanecounty.org](mailto:lindac@hblanecounty.org)



## Block Kids Competition

Saturday, February 13, 2010

Gateway Mall (Center Court)

1:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Check-In 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Contest begins at 1:30 PM

Come join us for a morning of fun and excitement! Block Kids is a free event designed for grade school aged children – 1st through 6th grade. This event introduces children to careers in the construction industry and encourages them to use their imagination to create a structure with a specific set of material. It also allows children to explore how and why a structure is built.

How the competition works: Each participant will be given 100 interlocking blocks and their choice of three of four other building materials (foil, poster board, rock, or string). They may build any structure of their choice. The projects will be judged by local construction industry professionals and the grand prize winner's entry will be entered in the regional competition, with a chance at competing on a national level. All Eugene top finishers' projects will be on display at the Science Factory following the competition. Each child who participates in the contest receives a goody bag.

Registration is required as space is limited. Registration forms are available on line at the Science Factory website [www.sciencefactory.org](http://www.sciencefactory.org) go to "Special Events" page.

For more information contact: Nancy Ograin at 689-6600 or [nancy.ograin@kniferiver.com](mailto:nancy.ograin@kniferiver.com)

Sponsored by: The National Assoc of Women in Construction, Eugene, OR Chapter #77, The Science Factory, & Gateway Mall.

# Oregon Retreat 2010

You are invited to attend the Annual Oregon Retreat 2010.  
Coming together we will talk, listen, motivate and encourage.  
Hear each other's stories, gain from each other's wisdom  
Return home: Renewed, rejuvenated and refreshed and  
reaffirming our commitment to NAWIC and our Employers.

Date: March 6, 2010  
Place: Adobe Resort  
1555 US 101, Yachats, Oregon  
Phone: 1-800-522-3623

Registration Fee: \$40.00 per person

Hotel rooms are \$113.40 including tax for up to 4 people per room, ocean view. All rooms feature refrigerators, microwaves, satellite TV/DVD with remote, hair dryers, coffee makers, and Internet connection. Mention "Women in Construction" for special room rates. Room rates for our event will be held until Feb 25, 2010

Friday Evening: Hospitality suite, stop by for friendship and snacks  
Saturday: "Job Corp" - Breakfast and Tour  
Chapter Presentations after lunch

Our educational program focus is  
**"How to get a Jump on the Job Market"**  
(Getting a job, retaining your job and hiring in the current climate)

We will meet in the conference room between 7:45 and 8:15 then head out to Job Corps to have breakfast with the students and then do the tour.

Job Corp provides career technical training, education and professional skills to students ages 16 to 24. They offer hands-on training, give students career opportunities and prepare them for the real world. One of their facilities is in Yachats and we are fortunate to have a member in our chapter who works for them. Our tour of their facility is a great opportunity to learn about their great program. Please join us March 6 for this wonderful opportunity.

## Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name On Name Badge \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter #: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Member e-mail address; \_\_\_\_\_

(Follow up information will be e-mailed to this address)

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please fax or e-mail completed registration form to:  
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