

NAWIC Divine Region 9 Monthly

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DIRECTORS' NOTES

Have you taken the time to check out the April/May issue of the Image? If you have not I would like to suggest that you do. It is filled with a lot of great articles from reasons for continuing your education, improving communication skills, and how your home life affects your work life.

I know that most people believe that they are very skilled at separating their home life from their work life, but ask any supervisor and more times than not when they are having issues with an employee, that employee has something going on in their personal lives. Having balance in your personal life makes you a better employee.

One of my favorite things to say to people when they are considering taking on a new project or activity, or if they are leery about doing something unfamiliar is "Step outside of your comfort zone". How will you grow as a person if you don't? I think that it is just human nature to stick with things that are comfortable and familiar. Keep in mind that the more you do something the more familiar and comfortable it becomes.

Another comment that I like to share with people is one that Chris Wigginton made to me one time and that is "No one wants you to fail". People are not going to put you in a position just to see you fail, they will put you in a position and want you to succeed. Those words have helped me a lot. I repeat them to myself when I step into unfamiliar territory. It is amazing the impact that a few simple words can have on you.

Keep this in mind when it comes to taking on leadership roles in your chapter whether you are considering it or unsure about taking on a new role. Make the most of your membership you will definitely get more out of it than what you put into to it, but you won't get as much out of it if you're not involved.

Sincerely,

Cathy Brady, Region 9 Director

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Women Under



Construction

- *Successful leaders are learners. And the learning process is ongoing, a result of self discipline and perseverance.*

John C Maxwell

Leadership 101

Chapter News:

Portland #54– Carol Helms

On behalf of Chapter 54 I would like to thank Cathy Brady and the Tri-Cities Chapter for organizing a great 2011 Forum. The hotel was great, the meeting room was very comfortable and the schedule seemed to flow without a hitch. The tour of the B Reactor was certainly a highlight of the Forum and a favorite of mine. It would have been so exciting to be involved with the Manhattan Project and see all of that technology unfolding in front of your eyes.

I would also like to congratulate all the awesome Regional Award winners in Chapter 54. Samantha Jordan who won, Future Leader of the Year, Dalene Schafer WIC of the Year and our Region 9 Director Elect, Kristen Dissen, Block Kids Committee Chair, and Erin Holmes, CADD Committee Chair.

Safety was the topic at our May meeting with a great presentation given by Michael F. Delano with USI Northwest. Michael talked to us about Risk Management and how safety affects construction companies and their rating. The Safety Director of Emerick Construction and PSI, Inc. were our honored guests for the evening and we presented them with the Regional Safety Excellence Awards.

It was also election night for our Chapter and the nominating committee did a great job putting together the ballots. For the first time in years we had a full ballot with multiple members nominated for all positions. It is great to have such great member participation and special thanks to our new members that stepped up to the plate. I am very proud to announce next years Board of Directors for Chapter 54.

- Lauren Holmes, President
- Amanda Wilson, Vice President
- Samantha Jordan, Secretary
- Sara Eubanks, Treasurer
- Christina Fell, Director
- Kristen Dissen, Director
- Jenny Hagan, Director

Erin Holmes, Director

The Chapter will thrive under their leadership!! Congratulations!!

Salem #198– Vickie Tewalt

Salem held their 9th annual Construction Career Day this month, and we may have been blessed with the one dry day in May! We had a wonderful turnout of volunteers, and the students were great. Very enthusiastic, and very polite. We have posted photos on our Facebook group page, NAWIC Salem Chapter #198.

Our May meeting was held at Linda Almendinger's beautiful home in South Salem. We had a great turnout including four past members (one a charter member of our Chapter!), three guests (and at least one is joining our Chapter!). Linda and I prepared a nice Italian dinner and Dave Almendinger poured the wine. Our speaker was Debra Myers, an Interior Designer. She shared a lot of useful decorating information, answered our many questions with patience, and did a wonderful job explaining her profession. Linda and I reported on our Forum experience, including the great tours and the election of Dalene Schafer as our incoming Region 9 Director, and then we held our elections. Nancy Lingle will be our incoming President, Susan Wood, Vice President, Kay Evans, Secretary, Mary Price, Treasurer, and Linda Almendinger and Terry Myers, Board Members. The general consensus was this was one of our best meetings.

We are very happy to announce our two scholarship recipients this year. They are Lindsey Devine from Stayton, who is attending Oregon State University and studying Civil Engineering, and Katherine Britsch from Wilsonville who is also going to Oregon State University and majoring in Engineering Management. They will be honored at our Boss's Night dinner.

Boss's Night is June 9th, and will be held at Rudy's at Salem Golf Club. We are having a luau, no doubt inspired by our desire for some tropical, or at least warm, weather! In addition to awarding our scholarships we will be recognizing our WIC of the Year, Future Leader, and Boss of the Year. Hawaiian food is on the menu, and Hawaiian music to set the mood. Our Boss's Night committee has worked diligently and has a fun evening planned for all. Be sure to get your RSVPs to Kay Evans right away. kay@sceonline.org

Eugene #77 – Robin Langkamp

Thank you, Thank you, to the Tri-Cities Chapter for a wonderful Forum weekend!!! The tours & speakers were awesome. What a way to energize yourself or inspire newer members who have not yet experienced NAWIC on a regional or national level!

We'll be having our chapter officer, board & convention delegate elections at our June meeting. Our speaker will be telling us about Apex Block, an updated product from the old 'styrofoam' foundation blocks. It will be interesting to see how they have changed in the past 15 years.

Puget Sound #60– Sue Z. Hart

May brought an incredible VIP and industry appreciation night where Judy Jewell assembled her dream panel of industry leaders of our area. Be sure to checkout our website to see their impressive Bio's. The night was filled with great insight's to their struggles as they entered an industry primarily filled with men. Each unique story brought a new appreciation for how determination can lead to success and blazed the trail for the younger generation of women to follow. Great job Judy!

Maureen Byrnes and I attended the annual Region 9 Forum hosted by the Tri Cities Chapter. Being a part of NAWIC we were able to get a special tour of B Reactor which is very hard to get into and understandably so. I highly recommend the tour as the historical factor alone was impactful. Our speakers from the VIT plant and our tour of the Nine Canyon Wind Project were additional highlights to a fun and inspirational Forum. Of course the relationships formed and strengthened at Forum are priceless. It is my hope to really promote and encourage our members to attend as many of these types of meetings as possible. Thank you Tri Cities for such a great opportunity!

Hope you all have some fun summer activities planned for summer! Have a great June!

Tri-Cities #192—Pam Wright

I want to start off by saying THANK YOU to Chapter 192 for organizing a GREAT forum. I believe everyone had a blast and learned a lot while here. Cathy you did a great job with putting together the speakers and tours. Congratulations Dalene Schafer on your win for Region 9 Director! And finally thank you to the members who took time from their job and family to come to the Tri Cities to attend Forum. I hope you all left with more knowledge about the B reactor and windmills.

The week of May 23rd we are hosting our 3rd annual MAGIC camp with 24 girls registered it should be good time for them and us. We will be having our election of Officers this month and we have a great slate of ladies willing to step forward to lead the chapter.

Have a great June and hopefully we will be complaining about it being hot soon.

Boise #245– Cecyle Brock

Anchorage #197– Darla Hall

Tacoma #187– Deborah Hickman

Spokane Chapter 143 - Hillary Chrisman

Lost & Found

The Eugene Chapter has lost their NEF pin. If you found their pin please contact Robin Langkamp at Robin.Langkamp@farweststeel.com or Phone: (800) 562-0785.

Congratulations to Dalene Schafer Region 9 Director Elect!

Winners for Region 9 Awards 2011

WIC of the Year

Dalene Schafer Portland #54

Future Leader

Samantha Jordan Portland #54

Lifetime Achievement

Chris Wigginton Spokane #143

Congratulations to all of the Amazing Women Nominated for Region 9 Awards:

WIC of the Year

Dalene Schafer Portland #54

Erin Repp Tri-Cities #192

Jenny West Eugene #77

Cindy Sand Alaska #197

Lifetime Achievement

Chris Wigginton Spokane #143

Judy Montgomery Alaska #197

Susan Wood Salem #198

Future Leader

Kristi Durant Eugene #77

Samantha Jordan Portland #54

Joan Tucker Alaska #197

Longevity Pins Awarded:**Merry Gregory 40 Years****Robin Langkamp 25 Years****Jan Sandusky 25 Years****WOW! Thank you ladies for your commitment and dedication to NAWIC!****Below is the official slate of candidates running for NAWIC Office.**

President-Elect Cindy Johnsen, CBT, CDS, CIT
Riki F. Lovejoy, CBT, CIT

Vice President Yasmine A. Branden, CCA

Secretary Dove Sifers-Putman

Treasurer Sandy K. Field, CIT

Please cast your vote!

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Region 9 APC 2011, October 21-22 Boise ID

Region 9 Forum 2012 April 13-14 Bend Or

Region 9 APC 2012 Paulsboro WA

Region 9 Forum 2013 Spokane WA

Future National Convention Sites

2011—Aug. 31-Sept. 3: St. Louis, MO Renaissance Grand Suites Hotel

2012-Aug. 29-Sept. 1: Denver, CO, Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel

2013—Aug. 28-Aug. 31: Bellevue, WA, Hyatt Regency Bellevue

2014– Sept. 3-6, Indianapolis, IN, J.W. Marriott Indianapolis Downtown

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