

NAWIC NETWORK

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May 2011

Important Dates:

18th General Meeting

Topic: Winner Dinner

Location:
Boulevard Grill

Time: 5:30 - social,
6:00 Dinner/meeting

18th - Casual Luncheon

Location: Steelhead
Brewery
199 E. 5th Ave Eugene

Time: 12:00 noon

25th - Board Meeting

Location: Farwest
Steel Admin
Building
1090 Gateway Lp,
Spfd

Time: 5:30pm

A Message from our President, Robin Langkamp:

Spring Forum is being held in Tri-Cities, WA, on May 13-14th and they have great plans for speakers and interesting tours. There is still time to go...give me a call. You always get a new perspective when you attend conferences outside of our chapter.

Remember, our May meeting is the 'Winner Dinner' so, because of the Forum date we will be changing the meeting night again to the 3rd Wednesday, 5/18. This is a good meeting to bring your employer and show them what we are doing to help encourage a future workforce in construction!

We have several empty slots in our slate of officers & board at this time, President being the biggest! Our nominating committee is in full swing trying to fill these spots, so please give a position serious thought, it usually only take and extra 1 ½ hours of your month to attend the board meetings. *If you've been on the board previously you are eligible for president...and you can be assured you would have plenty of past presidents to advise & mentor, if you should need it! Isn't it time you stepped outside your box and worked at another level for our chapter, or maybe it's time to come back after a hiatus

On an excellent note...Amanda Wilson got a call from our national president, Deb Gregoire, and she would like to use the Oregon Chapter's Mentoring Program on a national level!!! Wow, Atta' Girls to all the members who had a part in shaping the program!

Another big pat on the back to Nancy Ograin for re-vamping our website! I happen to think it looks awesome and is very user friendly! As I'm sure you've noticed, you can pay for monthly dinners by credit card or pre-pay your dinners for the year through PayPal. Just click on the "Members Information" to go to a secure page to view our chapter meeting minutes and pay for dinners. If you click on 'pay for dinner' outside of the 'member' site you will be charged the guest rate of \$20. **You should have received an email from Nancy yesterday giving you the ID & password to sign in. If you didn't get it give Nancy, Jenny West or myself a call or email for them. You can also make donations to our programs or sponsor the chapter, all with a click of the PayPal button! I think we've got most of the bugs worked out, but if you see anything, give one of us a call.

**We also need to know if you as a member want your email & phone listed on the website. We will be sending out an email to Opt In or Opt out and what info you want listed, please return it when you get it...I'm sure Nancy would like to start enjoying her retirement!

OK, we've had the April Showers, Now bring on the May Flowers...and sunshine!!!

Robin



IT'S ALL ABOUT THE MEMBERS!

NAWIC Links:

Chapter 77

www.nawiceugene.org

NAWIC Region 9

www.nawicregion9.org

NAWIC National

www.nawic.org

NEF

www.nawiceducation.com

Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com#!/pages/NAWIC-Chapter-77-Eugene-OR/345872574621>

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

May NAWIC Anniversaries

<u>Member</u>	<u># of Years</u>	<u>Year Joined</u>
Twylla Tatum	23	1988
Karen Jones	22	1989
Janet Spriggs	10	2011
Cassandra Cranston	2	2009
Kristi Durant	2	2009

2010- 2011 CHAPTER LEADERSHIP:

OFFICERS:

President – Robin Langkamp, CIT

President Elect – Open

Vice President – Amanda Wilson

Recording Secretary – Anne Thompson

Corresponding Secretary – Allegra Dungey

Treasurer – Jenny West

Immediate Past President – Nancy Ograin

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ellie Cooper

Diana Corbin, CIT

Janet Spriggs



Kristi Durant 2nd

Sandee Gerber 14th

Did we miss your birthday? Please let Carrie know at cfortier@jrca.com !

MONTHLY LUNCHEON SCHEDULE:

Come join us for Chapter 77's monthly casual lunches, which are always held the 3rd Wednesday of the month. 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!

May 18 **Steelhead Brewery** (all American), 199 E. 5th Ave Eugene

June 15 **Don Juan's** (Mexican), 2650 River Road, Eugene

July 20 **McGrath's Fish House** (Seafood), 1036 Valley River

August 17 **McMenamins** (all American), 22 Club Rd, Eugene

September 21 **Outback steakhouse** (all American), 3463 Hutton, Spfd



OUR CHAPTER

NAWIC's Core Purpose

To enhance the success of women in the construction industry.

NAWIC's Core Values

Believe in ourselves as women, persevere with the strength of our convictions, dare to move into new horizons

NAWIC's Core Objectives

- To unite for their mutual benefit women who are actively employed in the various phases of the construction industry.
- To promote cooperation fellowship and a better understanding among members of the association.
- To promote education and contribute to the betterment of the construction industry.
- To encourage women to pursue and establish their careers in the construction industry.
- To provide members an awareness of legislative process and legislation as it relates to the construction industry.

UPCOMING MEETING TOPICS:

May (3rd Wednesday): Winner Dinner Celebrating CAD drafting and Block Kids

June (2nd Wednesday): APEAX Block speaker Lynn Gilbert

July (2nd Wednesday): Willamette Bridge Tour

August (2nd Wednesday): Summer Picnic hosted by Sandee Gerber

September (2nd Wednesday): Installation

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The nominating committee is actively soliciting members for next years officers and board of directors. They will be contacting members directly to fill the open slots, however if you have a particular seat you would like to fill please contact any of the committee members. The duties of each position are listed in the back of the newsletter. Being a part of the Eugene chapter leadership team is a great way to learn more about NAWIC and it's great members for our chapter and all the chapters in NAWIC.

Thanks. Cary, Ellie & Sandee

CFMA MEETING THIS MONTH

Gabe Cross, LEED AP is going to present at the May 25th meeting for CFMA, they meet at 5:30 at the Oregon Electric Station, cost is \$25.00

- Introduction to LEED rating system with emphasis on the financial implications
- Learn the scope of the LEED rating system
- Learn appropriate scale of the project for various versions of LEED
- Make sense of the LEED process

RSVP to Paula Manning at pmanning@chambersconstruction.com or 541-868-8511



OUR CHAPTER

Quote of the month

“The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place.”

~ George Bernard Shaw

Recap of Last Month's Meeting

Communication ...

Communication is a two way process of reaching mutual understanding, in which participants not only exchange information but also create and share meaning. Communication takes many shapes and forms and it's important to understand how we communicate and how the people around us communicate. And know that it's ok to share with those you work and live with what your communication style is. There are several obstacles to effective communications such as interpersonal styles, generational differences, gender differences, cultural norms and professional experience. Once you have identified an obstacle you can start to identify solutions. One solution I use over and over is to tailor my style to meet the style of whom I am trying to communicate with; once we are on the same level we seem to reach a mutual understanding much quicker. And remember you can never go wrong with repeating back what someone has just said to make sure that you understood what they meant by the words or body language the used. Some of the toughest communication situations can be confronting others, speaking in front of a group, receiving criticism and setting limits. Possible solutions for these may be to join a toastmasters group to learn how to speak comfortably in front of groups, and in general you can never go wrong by over communicating.

Next steps:

- Take an inventory of who you are, as seen by others and your impact.
- Share with others what you have learned about yourself.
- Challenge assumptions and open up a dialogue.

Suggested books:

1. Not Everyone Gets a Trophy by Bruce Tulgan
2. Crucial Conversations by Patterson, Grenny, McMillan and Switzer
3. Find your Strongest Life by Marcus Buckingham

Carrie Fortier



FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICE

Industry Connections in our area:

**AGC – Associated
General Contractors of
Oregon-Columbia**
www.agc-oregon.org
Call 800-826-6610 or
contact Jeanne Staton at
jeanne@statonco.com

**CFMA – Construction
Financial Management
Association**
www.cfma.org
Meeting times and dates
vary
For more information
contact Sandee Gerber at
sandee@twinrp.com

**CSI – Construction
Specification Institute**
www.csiwvc.org
Meets the last Thursday
of each month at the
Eugene Hilton, top floor,
Vista room.
Social 5:30 pm, Dinner
6:30, Program after, Cost
\$25.00
Call 541-687-0129 or
contact Brenda at
bab@mrrichards.com

**HBA - Home Builders
Association**
www.hbalanecounty.org
Meets the last Tuesday of
every month at the HBA
office
5:30 pm Cost is \$xx
Call 541-686-6529 or
contact Linda at
lindac@hblanecounty.org

Highlights from the May The Connection

Tune-In to NAWIC Radio!

- The National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) and NCS Radio Network have partnered to bring you NAWIC Radio, a program that focuses on the construction industry issues you really care about. Each brief segment of NAWIC Radio keeps you abreast of the latest developments in the construction industry around the world. Click here to experience NAWIC Radio for yourself.

Why Construction Mediations Fail

- Join the American Arbitration Association for the 90-minute webinar, Why Construction Mediations Fail: Avoiding Common Mistakes. The webinar will help you learn how parties to construction disputes can ensure successful mediation and achieve a settlement; understand how and when to use the mediation tool; learn how to select the right mediator; and much more.

■ The live webinar will be held at 1 p.m. EST, May 11, 2011. The cost is \$75. Click here for more information.

NAWIC Career Center offers employment tools, jobs targeted to NAWIC members

- Employers want you. The NAWIC Career Center features hundreds of jobs that employers want you to see. Where do employers go when they want a talented woman with experience in the construction industry? They go to the NAWIC Career Center. You can post a resume, view jobs and set up personal job alerts.
- Best of all, it's free. Visit the NAWIC Career Center today.

2011-2012 Candidates for National Office

- Plan on exercising your right to vote by participating in NAWIC's one-member, one-vote election! Members classified as "Active," "Corporate" and "Member-at-Large" are eligible to vote. Each voting member will receive voting information by e-mail in May. Eligible voting members without an e-mail address will be mailed a ballot. Ballots will be sent no later than June 1.

■ Please make sure your contact information in the NAWIC Database is accurate. Ballots returned to the NAWIC Office will not be forwarded. To update your information, visit www.nawic.org > Member Log In > Member Center > Update Your Info.



REGION 9 NEWS

.Region 9 leadership

It's Time to Elect a New Region 9 Director – Are you informed about the Candidates?

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The next Region 9 director will be voted on at this month's Forum in the Tri-Cities!

Have you gotten to know the candidates???

Read all about Ruth Fritts and Dalene Schafer in the Region 9 Newsletter this month!

NEF

HAPPY SPRING LADIES!! NEF RAFFLE TICKETS ARE FOR SALE BY YOUR CHAPTER PRESIDENT OR YOU CAN GET PURCHASE THEM AT 2011 FORUM, 1 FOR \$10 OR 3 FOR \$25. PLEASE GET OUT AND BUY, BUY, BUY FOR EDUCATION.

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS, IF YOU HAVE ANY MONIES & TICKETS TO TURN IN PLEASE SUBMIT TO ME, PLEASE NO CASH.

AIMEE BERGESON, 3407 W CANYON LAKES DRIVE, KENNEWICK WA 99337.

Region 9 committee chairs

IF YOU NEED MORE RAFFLE TICKETS OR LADDER CLUB ENVELOPES PLEASE LET ME KNOW AND WE WILL GET YOU

MORE!! (509) 947-1688 OR EMAIL: AIMEE@CHERVENELL.COM

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CALL OR EMAIL ME ANYTIME!

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NAWIC CALEDAR

Upcoming Local, Regional and National events

2011

May 14-15, 2011: Forum, Kennewick, Washington

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

2012

August 29 – Sept. 1, 2012: Annual Meeting and Convention,
Denver, CO.

2013

August 28 – 31, 2013: Annual Meeting and Convention,
Bellevue, WA.

2014

September 3-6, 2014: Annual Meeting and Convention,
Indianapolis, IN.



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DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors consists of four Directors and the current Officers, including Immediate past President. The board supervises and controls the affairs of the Chapter and presents its recommendation to the general membership at the regular Chapter meetings.

President – Presides over all the meetings and serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors. She shall call regular monthly meetings and special meetings as may be necessary. She shall not be a member of the Nominating Committee.

Vice-President – Performs the duties of the President in her absence and succeeds as President if that office should become vacant.

Recording Secretary – Is responsible for all permanent records of the chapter including minutes of the general meeting and the Board of Directors. She keeps records of the current membership roster and performs other duties as may be requested by the President or Board of Directors.

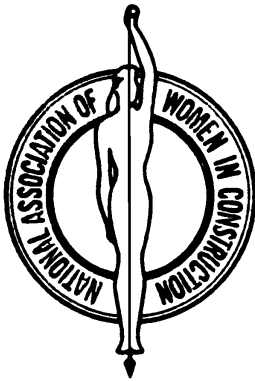
Corresponding Secretary – Is responsible for all the correspondence of the Chapter and sending to the NAWIC Executive Office the chapter delegate and the alternates for Annual Convention.

Treasurer – Is the custodian of all chapter funds and is one of the three officers authorized to countersign all checks. She pays bills authorized the Board of Directors and keeps an itemized account of receipt and disbursements while presenting a written report at the regular meeting and the Board of Directors. She must also deliver within 30 days audited records to her successor following the expiration of her term. She is to prepare and file all appropriate forms to the internal revenue service. General Bookkeeping experience should be a consideration when accepting this position

Board of Directors –

- a. Exercise general supervision and control over the business of the Chapter.
- b. Authorize payment of any indebtedness incurred on approved budget items.
- c. Adopt the annual budget of the Chapter.
- d. Fill by ballot any vacancies occurring on the Board of Directors with the exception of the President.
- e. Be authorized to create special committees.
- f. Shall present recommendations for action at regular Chapter meetings.
- g. Transact all other business of the Chapter not otherwise provided for.

April 21, 2011



Participating Drafting Instructors,

The Eugene Chapter of NAWIC held the judging of the Cad/Design/Drafting Competition on Thursday evening, April 7, 2011. Four judges from the development community presided over the competition. The results are as follows:

<u>Cad Drafting</u>			
1st Place (\$200)	Haley Fry Thurston High School	4 th Place (\$50)	Trey Flemming Springfield High School
2nd Place (\$150)	Andrew Wagenblast Thurston High School	5 th Place (\$50)	Brycen Anson Thurston High School
3rd Place (\$125)	Tyler Butler Springfield High School	6 th Place (\$50)	Jonathan Kevin Cruz Springfield High School

We would like to thank all of the participants in the competition. The work put into the projects exhibited creativity in generating unique site, building and room layouts for the Walkers' home, taking into consideration the special needs of their family. Utilizing the provided square footages for the specific areas of the property and the home, including setback requirements and the multiple design resources, is a tough task when attempting to incorporate your own individual design concepts, yet each of our entries accomplished this in unique ways. We hope to see projects from you and/or your school again next year.

Congratulations to our winners, your projects were wonderful. Our first place entry has been forwarded for judging in the NAWIC Regional competition. Should this entry be awarded first place at the Regional level, it will then move on to the National competition, which will occur later this month or in early May.

We will be hosting an awards dinner next month here in Eugene for our winners and their families. It will be at the Boulevard Grill at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, May 18th. The winners are invited to attend to accept their prize money and certificates. The dinner is complementary to our winning students, with additional dinners priced at \$18 each for their guests. Please let me know if you plan to attend or not, we need to give a head count of people attending to the restaurant. A formal invitation will be issued shortly with further details of the event.

Thanks again to all of you!

Janet L. Spriggs, P.E.
Local Committee Chairperson