

“Honesty is the cornerstone of all success, without which confidence and ability to perform shall cease to exist”
Mary Kay Ash

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Director's Comments



Greetings,

It has certainly been a busy summer. NAWIC Board Orientation was held in Fort Worth July 22 - 25, 2010. Your National Officers and Directors/Directors-Elect spent two full days in training and orientation. With this type of preparation, NAWIC members can feel confident that the Board will guide the organization and take care of NAWIC business that will always be in the best interest of the organization as a whole. The leadership team for 2010 - 2011 will continue to move us forward to enhance the success of women in the construction industry.

I am pleased to report that Region 7 will have 31 members

attending the 55th Annual Convention September 1 - 4, 2010, in Louisville, Kentucky. Thank you ladies for investing your time and finances to attend. I know you will gain valuable information from the seminars and workshops on the program that you will be able to share with your chapter and be beneficial to your employer. And, don't forget to bring your Derby hat for the welcome party. After all, Louisville is the home of the Kentucky Derby.

September will be a busy month with the chapters installing their new officers and directors for 2010 - 2011. Congratulations to all the new leaders that will be installed and begin their term October 1. Some chapters have already held Strategic Planning meetings and others are still putting their calendars together. I encourage all members to participate in the events and activities of your chapter. Serve on

committees and help make this coming year your best. We get out what we put in!

And, don't forget APC/Leadership Training, which will be held October 15 - 16, 2010, in Port Arthur, Texas. Beverly Hatcher and her committee have helped put a great weekend together, which will be educational and informative with time for networking and some great fun. This is just one way that NAWIC builds leaders. Are you one of those leaders or want to be a leader? Plan now to attend APC, I feel confident you will be glad you did. Let's pack out the hotel and let Port Arthur know NAWIC is in town!

Membership renewal is due by October 1, 2010. Don't wait, renew today. NAWIC needs you!

Warm regards!

Sandy



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Around the Region

Fort Worth Chapter #1—Claudia Wade, President

The ‘Mini Trade Fair’, an annual event for our July meeting in Fort Worth, went great! We had lots of participants, and it was a fun and informative meeting, as always. We learned a little more about our members and learned about other companies that could be a benefit to our members. We have had 2 successful “Backpack for Kids”. You always get a lot of enjoyment when you know you are helping others. That’s one of the things NAWIC is all about. And for a fun event for us, we had a tour of Cowboy Stadium. That was really enjoyable - we saw some places that we would probably never see. We just appreciate NAWIC, all our sisters and friends.

Dallas Chapter #2—Ann McCullough, President

Wow, what a hot summer it has been and continues to be! Dallas doesn’t have a July meeting..... Time to get a break from all the NAWIC business for a month. However, August is a busy month for the Chapter. We held our Joint Board meeting on the 2nd. We had it at our regular membership meeting hotel with dinner. A retreat situation is always nice – but finding a time when everyone can attend much less finding the time for it is almost impossible these days. So, we just held it at the hotel. It was great – it was quiet so we could actually hear one another, I had it set up so everyone had a space to work – even while eating. It is always nice to see new board members – some may look a bit apprehensive - but everyone was positive and excited about the coming year. I know Jill and I are! The monthly meeting will be on the 16th with TEXO’s VP of Government Affairs, Jack Baxley, who will be presenting information on upcoming legislative issues affecting the construction industry. Our Texas Hold’em Poker Tournament is coming up on August 20th, being held at the TEXO office on Stemmons Freeway. The tournament benefits our chapter scholarship fund. There is still time if you want to participate, just contact Lee Ann Collins, lcollins@lgt-cpa.com, and let her know you want to play. Only 4 of our members are going to Louisville this year. I think this is where we see the economy really touching our members – they just have to stay home and work, and hopefully their educational opportunities can be found closer to home. Of course we are glad they have jobs they have to stay home for. As CFO of McCullough & Associates, I understand that. I know that while in Louisville we decided it offers the perfect opportunity to work on some chapter business – no additional travel or time away from the office required! See Ya’ll in Louisville!

Houston Chapter #3—Terry Johnson, President

Our speaker for our August General Meeting was Misty Gunn from Harris County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. She spoke on Hurricane Preparedness and Evacuation – Her information was very interesting and timely as this is hurricane season and Ike is still very much on everyone’s mind. We were given information on how to prepare a Disaster Supply Kit. Any Homeland Security and Emergency Management representative will speak to any group. We are planning a social on August 26th – Get to Know Houston NAWIC! This in the past has been successful and we hope for the same. Installation of new officers will be September 14th and we are inviting members and vendors to have table top information about their services. We will also have table top info about NAWIC and committees.

Corpus Christi #4—Darlene Lee Omana, CCA, CIT, CCRRC, President

Our first project of the year was a CPR Class that our Safety Chair, Lisa Huerta did a great job putting together. She is also our WIC Week chair and this year we donated over 1,500 VCR tapes with stacking holders and a VCR Player to our local Salvation Army. We received a proclamation for WIC Week from our mayor, Joe Adame. We also adopted The Salvation Army library at Christmas and donated over 500 books. Block Kids and CAD Chairman, Barbara Taylor did a great job on the competitions. Our local Block Kids winner, Noah Zamora won Regional this year. Our chapter was awarded the *I-Achieve Partners in Education Award* from CCISD. Membership is at the top of our list. Vickie Thompson and Cathy Beaudin are co-chairs for Membership committee and were able to add one new member this year. We partnered with The Junior League and built a wall/sign for the Garcia Art Center and are in the process of partnering with Habitat For Humanity to join with other women’s organizations in building a house in the Fall.

Austin Chapter #7—Kasey Delz, President

The Austin Chapter has been busy this summer with chapter dinner meeting educational programs on *Leadership* and *Effective Teambuilding*. In addition, NAWIC Austin partnered with DPR, Inc. to offer a free OSHA 10-Hour class, which had a great response. For August President’s Choice, we planned a free “Beat the Heat” happy hour for August 5th to have some fun and provide an opportunity to network at no cost. There was a great turnout from the industry, including a few HUB program managers interested in promoting NAWIC. We are excited about a number of prospective members who should be turning in applications any day now! Our board has done an amazing job this summer of keeping NAWIC promotion and business a priority and wow how it has paid off!

Around the Region

San Antonio Chapter #11—Jennifer Swinney, CDS, CIT, CBT, President

As the NAWIC year begins to wind down, 12 of our chapter members are anxiously awaiting to attend National Convention and the remaining members are looking forward to hearing the reviews and the “scoop” when we return. Our chapter is proud to be supporting Judy DeWeese, as she is installed as the National President-Elect for 2010-2011, as well as cheering for Sandee Morgan and Jennifer Swinney, who will be receiving their red rose recruiter jackets. Prior to departing, we have planned a fun and free BBQ/Membership mixer to allow all our current members to bring potential members and give everyone a chance to just kick back and have a wonderful time together. After such a busy year, we are truly looking forward to a relaxing evening of friendship! We would like to extend the offer to anyone in the Region who would like to attend. Please feel free to “kick up your heels” and join us—we’d be honored to have you. Overall, we’re looking forward to an amazing time at Convention, and coming back on a “NAWIC High” ready to think outside the box and take on new challenges for the upcoming year. See y’all in a few weeks!

Waco Chapter #14 - Ginger Ritchison, President

Our speaker for the August meeting will be Darren Sinkule, VP of T.E.A.M Solutions and he will tell us about Building Automation, Energy Management. Pat Breen could not serve on the Board as a director for next year and Patti Short was elected to take her place at the July meeting. We will be finalizing our plans for the Wine & Cheese Tasting Party to be held at our September 14th meeting.

Tulsa Chapter #76 - Emilie Hins, President

July was our month for play. We had a picnic/swim party at the home of Sherran Harris. Besides swimming and eating, we learned some new group games. We also collected art supplies and cash donations for our Partner in Education School—Jane Addams Elementary. Our August meeting is at the Green Onion on E 51st St. in Tulsa. We meet for dinner at 6:15 pm and our meeting follows. Our speaker for the evening is Brett Cowan, PhD. and ASCE Tulsa Branch President. He will speak on the state of our nation’s infrastructure.

Port Arthur-Golden Triangle Chapter #377 - Betty Keith, President

Chair Darlene Moody and her committee are planning our 3rd Annual Officer Installation Banquet. The event will be held 6:00—9:00 pm, September 20, 2010 at Dylan’s in Port Arthur. Everyone is invited to come help us celebrate! Annual Leadership/Planning Conference is right around the corner and you will be receiving your registration information soon. The host hotel is Holiday Inn Park Central. Chair Beverly Hatcher and her committee are working with Region 7 Director Sandy Field to make this the best APC ever so mark your calendars for October 15th & 16th, 2010 and plan to join us for a great experience. Leadership Training will be held on Friday afternoon. It will be a time to increase your knowledge of NAWIC and hone your leadership skills. After all, NAWIC builds leaders.

Did You Know?

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Charter Date</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>
Fort Worth #1	September 11, 1953 - Happy Birthday	Third Thursday
Dallas #2	August 23, 1955 - Happy Birthday	Third Monday
Houston #3	June 21, 1956	Second Tuesday
Corpus Christi #4	April 26, 1957	Third Tuesday
Austin #7	February 15, 1958	First Thursday
San Antonio #11	August 9, 1958 - Happy Birthday	First Wednesday
Waco #14	September 6, 1958 - Happy Birthday	Second Tuesday
Tulsa #76	March 9, 1963	Third Tuesday
Port Arthur-Golden Triangle #377	July 17, 2008	Third Monday

Around the Region - Continued



Welcome Region 7 New Members!

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Recruiter</u>
Holly L. Green	Fort Worth Chapter #1	
Dawn Craft	Dallas Chapter #2	Juli Chrispen
Katrina Y. Perryman	Houston Chapter #3	
Kelley Stewart	Houston Chapter #3	Rebecca Manzel
Tangela M. Bailey	Austin Chapter #7	
Andrea A. Ayala	San Antonio Chapter #11	Gala Burns
Alice C. Bell	San Antonio Chapter #11	
Jenny Casmus	San Antonio Chapter #11	Jennifer L. Morton
Dawn V. Kleck	San Antonio Chapter #11	
Ruby C. Maples	San Antonio Chapter #11	Dana B. Calonge

If you are not listed as the recruiter and should be, please have the new member contact Sandy Fite at the NAWIC Office to add you as the recruiter. This must be done by the new member, not the recruiter.

Remember, every member is a recruiter! Invite your business associates, co-workers and friends to give NAWIC a try.

Special Remembrance

Thoughts and prayers for the family of Judy Downey. Judy, a long time member of the Dallas Chapter, passed away in June.

Thoughts and prayers for Jennifer Morton, President-Elect Austin Chapter, and her family in he loss of her father.

If you should have any information you want to be included in the Region Newsletter please submit to me by the first of each month. The purpose of this newsletter is to communicate that which is of interest to the members in the region and keep us informed of NAWIC news, dates and events.



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Upcoming Events

NAWIC's 55th Annual Convention
September 1—4, 2010
Galt House Hotel & Suites
Louisville, KY

Region 7 APC 2010
October 15—16, 2010
The Holiday Inn
Port Arthur, TX

Region 7 Forum 2011
April 8—9, 2011
Crowne Plaza Riverwalk
San Antonio, TX

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Future Convention Dates & Locations

August 31—September 3, 2011

Renaissance Grand and Suites Hotel, St. Louis, MO

August 29—September 1, 2012

Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, Denver, CO

August 28—August 31, 2013

Hyatt Regency Bellevue, Bellevue, WA

September 3—September 6, 2014

J.W. Marriott Indianapolis Downtown, Indianapolis, IN

Plan To Attend,
..... You Can Help!

NAWIC

Region 7 Annual Planning Conference (APC)
Holiday Inn – Park Central

“WE’RE COUNTING DOWN”

Date: October 15 & 16, 2010
Location: 2929 Jimmy Johnson Blvd.
Port Arthur, TX. 77642
1.888.897.0084



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*Theme: “To Enhance The
Success Of Women In
Construction!”*

- *Bring Lots of Energy & Fun*
- *Bring Lots of “Planning Input”*
- *Bring Lots of “Yes We Can”*
- *Bring Lots of “Leadership”*
- *Bring Lots of Power To Be Empowered*



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August 10, 2010

Re: Region 7 Leadership Training and Annual Planning Conference
October 15 – 16, 2010
Holiday Inn Park Central Hotel
Port Arthur, Texas

Greetings,

October will be here before we know it and that means time for Annual Planning Conference. As was scheduled last year in conjunction with APC, we will again have a time for leadership training/conference beginning with lunch on Friday, October 15, 2010. I encourage all chapter officers, board members, committee chairs and anyone else interested to participate in this training on Friday. It will be a time to increase your knowledge of NAWIC and hone your leadership skills. After all, NAWIC builds leaders.

The Port Arthur-Golden Triangle Chapter APC Committee, led by Beverly Hatcher, has diligently sought out and obtained great speakers for both Leadership and APC. We promise to make the weekend informative, educational, a time for networking, and lots of fun.

There will be space provided for Chapter Sales so plan to take advantage of this opportunity for your chapter's fundraiser.

Although we haven't typically had a Saturday evening function at APC, you will not want to miss what the Committee has planned for us on Saturday at the conclusion of APC.

Don't miss out on what should prove to be a great NAWIC weekend! Make your reservations and travel arrangements now.

Look forward to seeing you in Port Arthur in October!

Warm regards,

Sandy K. Field, CIT
Region 7 Director
2009 - 2011



**NAWIC Region 7
Annual Planning Conference
October 15 – 16, 2010**

Theme: "To Enhance The Success Of Women In Construction!"

Hotel Location: Holiday Inn Central Park
 Hotel Address: 2929 Jimmy Johnson Blvd., Port Arthur, TX. 77642
 Hotel Reservations: 409.724.5000/1.888.897.0084; FAX 409.724.7644

For NAWIC Region 7 APC Block Room Rate Identify Yourself with National Association of Women In Construction Region 7 Annual Planning Conference. Rate: Double Non-Smoking, blocked at Gold Key rate of \$102.60 + tax.

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 I Will Attend APC Leadership Training, Friday, October 15, 2010: _____ (Yes) _____ (No)

Region 7 APC Registration Fee: NAWIC Member: \$60.00 Non Member: \$75.00 **Early Bird by September 6, 2010**
 Registration Includes: Friday Lunch, Seminars, Casino Night Welcome Party, Saturday Continental Breakfast, Breaks, Planning Conference, Conference Lunch, and Saturday Night Hi-Fi Hop Soul Train Chocolate & Champagne Pajama Party

LATE (after 09/06/2010) REGISTRATION: NAWIC Member: \$75; Non Member: \$90 Make Checks Payable to: GT-PA NAWIC #377; Non Member Name: _____

GUEST TICKETS: Friday & Saturday Lunch: \$25.00 ea. Friday Casino Night: \$10.00 Saturday Night Soul Train: \$15.00
 Guest Name: _____

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Region 7 Annual Planning Conference

PA-GT NAWIC Chapter #37, October 15 and 16, 2010



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