



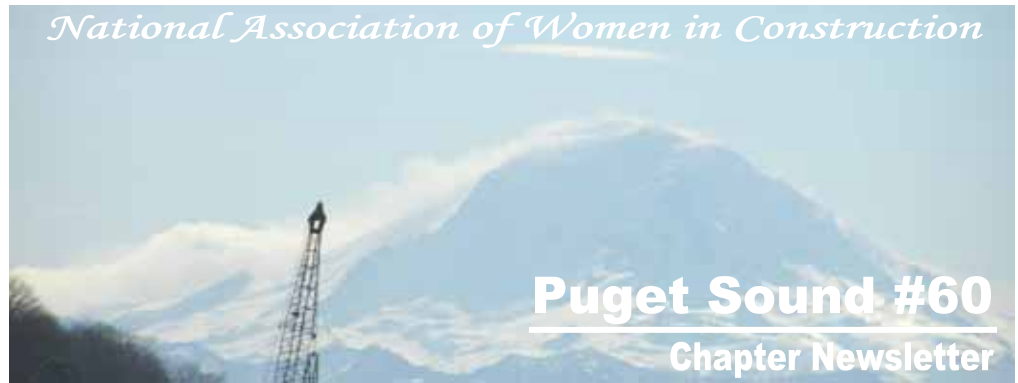
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NAWIC Core Values

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



Core Purpose: To Enhance the Success of Women in the Construction Industry

BELIEVE PERSEVERE DARE

President's Message

We are only 9 weeks away from our VIP (Very Important Person) Dinner and Silent Auction. This is our chapter's main fundraiser. We hope you plan to bring your supporters to our dinner so that we can recognize them. Also encourage your company and its suppliers and clients to help by being a sponsor and/or donate items for the auction.

We have selected our nominating committee for chapter officer election in June for the upcoming term: Oct 1, 2006 to Sept 30, 2007. Have you thought about serving on the Board? Lily Iftner, Jan Lawrence, and Teresa Johnson will serve on this committee. Let them know if you are inter-

ested. Contact any Board member to discuss job descriptions.

Congratulations to Lily Iftner who was nominated for our chapter's Region 9 WIC (Women in Construction) of the Year and to Jan Lawrence who was nominated as our Future Leader of the Year. They will compete with nominated chapter members from throughout the region.

Our May dinner meeting will be off schedule because we will be doing a joint meeting with ABC (Associated Builders & Contractors) on Wednesday, May 24. This will be a Business-2-Business buffet format offering superb networking

opportunities. I promise you will enjoy the friendliness of this group. We chose this meeting because we know you'd get more from it than the standard dinner format. We'll have more information to you very soon.

Judy Jewell

Last Month's Membership Meeting

On March 13th, Diane Glenn, owner of The Construction Consultants, presented the topic Built Green at the MasterBuilders Association building in Bellevue.

Ms. Glenn spent her entire adult career working in the construction industry. She began her career working for residential construction firms, commercial builders and heavy

construction firms, and has even opened her own successful residential construction company in Boise, Idaho.

"Built Green" is an environmentally friendly, non-profit, residential building program of the MasterBuilders Association of King and Snohomish County.

With Seattle's growing construction, Ms. Glenn's presen-

tation focused on meeting the needs of contractors who seek to build smart for today and for the sake of our future. Her company does this by offering in-process quality assurance inspections, special inspections, and builder consulting and training.

First Timer Response to a Membership Meeting

What I learned that night at the NAWC seminar on Concrete Forensics (February 2006):

First of all, I have to say that I really enjoyed meeting and spending time with that group; they were all very welcoming - even in spite of my lack of communication skills. Anyway, that night I learned many random facts about concrete (how carbon black, while not used anymore, used to be used because it was one of the first blackish-coloring agents on the market and was cheap, but it caused the depletion of air entrainment from concrete by absorbing the entrainment chemical).

I think the primary thing I learned was that a main focus of concrete forensics is to look at the original situation, especially around add mixtures and the things people do to "solve problems" in less-than-perfect situations; however, sometimes it is just an overlooked condition like the soil porosity drawing the coloring out of areas of a "uniformly-colored" concrete patch.

I learned a bit about concrete forensics, but what I found more invigorating was the process that went into the collapse of that residential house. I wish I could have talked a little better, because I had it almost figured out as soon as someone asked the question (which I was itching, but unable,

greater and that the high volume (height) of water over the severed sewer had caused the pore-pressure increase. Anyway, it was very invigorating, as that is the most exciting point of engineering (problem solving that actually required real thinking, instead of just code application), and we RARELY ever get to do it in school!!

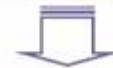
A major thing I learned that night is that owners and "uppers" in businesses ARE actively involved in these organizations (often leading, as I saw), and apparently students are NOT highly involved ... though, I am not sure why... maybe lack of convenience with meeting places and business with school... if we only knew. I have made a decision that this summer (when I have transportation), I am going to start going to a group somewhat related to residential housing and development (maybe Green Builders).

It was a great night, and I met some great people. I would really like to come to the Architect forum, if that is an option. Thank you for the opportunity to come, and for offering the extra credit, because with our work load it sometimes takes a little bit of a nudge to get us to extend ourselves beyond the requirements! It was a really great experience, and I am excited to see our industry get filled with great, motivated ladies like those!

Clinton J. Nelson, EIT
Senior, Civil Engineering
University of Washington, Seattle



(House collapse images, courtesy of Ed Medley and Exponent Failure Analysis)



to ask) about the soil makeup. What I missed in my conclusion was the backup of water from blocking at a lower point; I estimated the settlement had been slightly

Region 9: 2006 Spring Forum

This year, Spring Forum will be held at the Clover Island Inn, May 5th - 6th. Like most forums, it's a medium of open discussion or expression of ideas. Since NAWIC has over 5,600 members nationally, the chapters are

divided into regions. The Puget Sound chapter belongs to Region 9, and also includes other chapters from the state of Washington, Oregon, Montana, Alaska, and Idaho.

This year, the Tri-Cities chapter is hosting Forum. For registration and information, check out www.nawicpugetsound.org.

Scavenger Hunt - Members Only

The objective of *Scavenger Hunt* is to ...

Bring awareness of NAWIC to the construction community, gain networking skills and opportunities and get involved in the Puget Sound Chapter!

THE PRIZE: The Member who accumulates the most points will receive a gift certificate to a Bed & Breakfast (valued at \$150) & \$50 cash; the top 10 members who complete the scavenger hunt will receive a prize for participation.

THE DETAILS: Members can obtain points by completing any or all of the following items, and providing a summary report (mandatory):

1. Meet with an owner, PM or HR representative at a company that does not have any current NAWIC members in our chapter. Discuss NAWIC's purpose and our chapter activities, and provide them with membership information -10 points *(5 bonus points if the*

company agrees to sponsor the chapter!).

- Obtain a business card for Membership Chair follow-up
- Promotional materials at



www.nawic.org or our chapter website: www.nawicpugetsound.org

2. Attend a job site tour before June 1, 2006 - 4 points (can be part of a NAWIC meeting)
3. Attend at least 3 membership meetings between January and May - 6 points, all or nothing
4. Become a Mentor to a new member! Or if you are a new member, show how you've gained knowledge and benefited from being a mentee - 5 points

- Document your experience, topics discussed and benefits to both the mentor and mentee

5. Present at least 2 meeting ideas to the organization - 2 points

6. Bring at least two guests to a NAWIC meeting between January & May - 10 points, all or nothing *(5 bonus points for each guest that joins!)*

OUR GOAL IS TO RECRUIT 15 NEW MEM-

BERS BY MAY

7. Research a topic of interest to women and/or the construction industry - 3 points
8. Join a NAWIC Committee, become a Committee Chair, and/or take part in a committee event or WIC Week Event - 15 points

Provide a summary report of each item (1-8) completed and your report, names, dates, ideas and/or how you accomplished each task, as well as your point total. State how you plan to stay involved in the chapter, your goals as a NAWIC member, and how you feel the scavenger hunt benefited you (or suggestions for the future!).

Projects will be due to Erin Chamberlain by May 31st, 2006. Please email your reports to echamberlain@portblakely.com or mail to: 1400 Park Drive, Issaquah, WA 98029

Erin Chamberlain



Member Highlight

NICOLE KAMPMANN

Proposal Assistant
MacDonald-Miller Facility Solutions

Ms. Kampmann is brand new to the construction industry and to MacDonald-Miller. She's been there for almost a year and half. She has a degree in Journalism from the University of Oregon, and previous experience in marketing and retail. She values customer service and customer loyalty, and brings it with her to the construction industry.

MacDonald-Miller is a full service mechani-

cal contracting and service firm, which includes engineering, sheet metal, fabrication and installation, plumbing, pipefitting, controls, maintenance, and more.

Ms. Kampmann's main responsibilities are to assist with all large project proposals. She is also the administrative assistant for the New Construction Sales Division. Within this department, she has an opportunity to grow into other roles, and hopes to learn more of the technical side of the company.

She first heard about NAWIC through her boss at work, while inquiring of her interest

with NAWIC. Since Ms. Kampmann was new to the industry, she hopes joining NAWIC will provide her with a local peer group to learn and grow with. Also, she comments that she loves her job and her colleagues, and would like to help promote women in the construction industry.

Outside of work, Ms. Kampmann is a FUN seeker. She is very social and takes camping very seriously (i.e. Who's bringing the wine and cheese?). She enjoys gardening each Summer, taking classes to learn new things, planning events, taking photos, and writing small articles.

Mid-Year Chapter Report

Our chapter is accomplishing a lot with the help of a few key people; Programs are excellent, our newsletter is excellent, our alliance with partner organizations is growing.

Recent Programs have included a Tour of Lincoln Center in Bellevue, a presentation on Built Green by one of its founders and certifiers, and a presentation from the new Director of the Center for Construction Excellence at Renton Technical College. We have active alliances with Associated General Contractors (AGC) AGC Educational Foundation, Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC), and Women in Trades.

We had great leadership in our WIC Week efforts, through the Chair hosting a breakfast for interested members and customizing the NAWIC PR/Marketing Program in a Box.

We did not do Block Kids this year. However, we were approached by the Pacific Science Center to have an interactive construction exhibit in conjunction with their Build-It program. There, we put together a fun, educational program for elementary age students using Jenga blocks with construction career names on the edge of each block. Different members participated in three separate Career Day programs.

We advertised in the Northwest Construction Magazine and got some press there as well (see image to the right). Since we now have several tradeswomen members, we are

seeking more and will be participating in the Women in Trades Fair on April 28.

We have started a mentor/support system for our student members. This program is beginning to gain some steam. Student member dinners are subsidized so that they can afford to attend the meetings and network.

Our Membership Committee brilliantly conceived a Scavenger Hunt for new members giving points to participating chapter members for participation and outreach. Prizes will be given to all participants and the

grand prize is a weekend at a B&B (check out page 3 of this newsletter for details).

Fundraising will reprise the successful Silent Auction at our annual VIP night in June.

We have many members who are unable to participate in our activities due to unpredictable work schedules, coupled with family conflicts. We strive to be patient and understanding, and try not to over commit our active members. NAWIC, after all, is here to help us succeed in the construction industry.

National Association of Women in Construction
To Enhance the Success of Women in the Construction Industry
 Puget Sound Chapter #60 (established in 1962)
www.nawicpugetsound.org

Owner/CEO, Project Engineer, Crane Operator, Drafter, Construction Manager, Attorney, Architect, Project Coordinator, Forensic Engineer, Accountant, Laborer, Electrician, HR Coordinator, Contracts Administrator, Safety Coordinator, Carpenter

Schedule of Events

- April 10th: Annual Puget Sound-Tacoma Joint Chapter membership meeting. Open to guests. Go to www.nawicpugetsound.org for RSVP and information.
- April 28th: Washington Women In Trades' Annual Trades Fair at Seattle Center Fischer Pavilion. Go to www.wawomenintrades.com for more information.

April 2006

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May 2006

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28	29	30	31			

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- May 5 - 6th: Region 9 Spring Forum in Kennewick, Washington hosted by Tri-Cities Chapter. For registration go to www.nawicpugetsound.org
- May 24th: Annual Puget Sound-Associated Builders & Contractors Joint membership meeting. Open to guests. Go to www.nawicpugetsound.org for RSVP and information.

The Women of NAWIC

These are the current members of NAWIC Puget Sound Chapter. They are a diverse group of professionals within the construction industry.

Kim Anderson - Owner
AAR Testing Laboratory Inc.
Member since October 1990

Sharon Andreason - CPA
McDevitt & Andreason
Member since April 1992



Peigi Barkley - CM Assistant
Harris & Associates
Member since October 2004

Kelly G. Blazy - Attorney
Preston, Gates & Ellis
Member since January 2005

Lucy Bodily
Northwest Construction Magazine
Member since February 2006

Lynn C. Bruner - Project Manager
Bennett Homes
Member since October 2005

Maureen J. Byrnes - Records Coordinator
KBA Construction Management
Member since August 2004

Vanessa Carmen - student
Cardinal Heating & AC
Member since October 2005

Virginia A. Carey - Office Mgr/Co-owner
Carey's Rockeries & Grading LLC
Member since May 1980

Erin G. Chamberlain - Design & Permitting Coordinator
Port Blakely Communities
Member since October 2003

Julia Cordero - student/'Habitat for Humanity' volunteer
Member since August 2005

Darylene J. Dennon - CEO/Owner
Solid Energy, Inc.
Member since October 2002

Carrie S. Dossick - CM Assist. Professor
University of Washington
Member since October 2005

Lydia A. Eckman - Project Engineer
Lease Crutcher Lewis
Member since June 2005

Juanita Garrison - Tradeswoman
Ms. Jack Of All Trades, LLC
Member since April 2005

Janith J. Gould - retired
Past National NAWIC President
Member since January 1962

Colette Guckian-Brady - CPA/Partner
Tueffers, Guckian & Gamon, PLLC
Member since January 2002

Karen Harmes - Principal/CPA
Bace Company
Member since October 2003

Gwyn Hart - Training & HR Coordinator
Cadman Inc.
Member since April 1995

Lily K. Iftner - Forensic Engineer/Owner
Construction & Structural Investigation
Member since March 1999

Ann Jarvis - VP of Safety & Education
Associated Builders & Contractors
Member since February 1973

Judy Jewell - President
Olympian Precast Inc.
Member since January 1988

Teresa M.R. Johnson
- Project Engineer

Lydig Construction, Inc.
Member since October 2005

Ellyn Kiner - Project Administrator
GLY Construction, Inc.
Member since September 1977

Jan G. Lawrence - Cost Accountant
Skanska USA Building, Inc.
Member since July 2005

Nicole D. Kampmann - Proposal Assist.
MacDonald-Miller Facility Solutions
Member since February 2006

Sue Maddox - Contracts Administrator
Jackson Dean Construction, Inc.
Member since January 1988

Marilynn A. Moch - Owner
Blue Sky Steel Solutions, LLC
Member since July 2003

Brenda S. Molner - Attorney
Ater Wynne LLP
Member since March 1999

Rhonda M. Pence - Carpenter
Druhan Construction
Member since July 2005

Jin H. Rudolph - CPA
S.J. Gallina & Co., LLP
Member since May 2005

Victoria Simmons - Cost Accountant
Skanska USA Buildings
Member since March 2005

Sheri Lynn Stevens - student
Heery International Inc.

Tammy Vibbert - HR Director
Lakeside Industries
Member since November 2001

Wendy Wilson - Risk Management Spec.
Lakeside Industries
Member since May 2002

