



# NAWIC Divine Region 9 Monthly

January 2008

*Enhancing the Success of Women in the Construction Industry*

## Happy New Year!

By Yasmine A. Branden, CCA

What are your resolutions? NAWIC can help!

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- Increase my industry network
  - Attend your chapter's monthly membership meetings
  - Bring a guest to the meetings
  - Get involved with Block Kids or CAD/Drafting or WIC Week
  - Attend Forum in Anchorage, AK (April 24 - 26)
  - Attend National Convention in Las Vegas (Sept 3 -6)
- Exercise more
  - Join us as we walk/bike/row/swim/run to Vegas (see below)
- Expand my industry knowledge
  - NEF certifications - CCA, CDS, CIT
  - Attend chapter meetings
  - Attend our regional and national events
- Try something new and conquer a fear
  - Public speaking is the most common fear - be the featured speaker at a meeting. We're the friendliest group you'll ever stand in front of!

Whatever your resolutions, know that NAWIC and your NAWIC sisters are here to support you in all your 2008 efforts!

## Pathway to Vegas

Our chapters are busy walking, biking, rowing, running and dogsledding to the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas!

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Founded in 1955, NAWIC is a not for profit organization dedicated to enhancing the success of women in the construction industry. NAWIC serves all women who work in and for the construction industry.

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Chapter	Mileage Goal	To Date
Alaska	3,427	
Boise, ID	630	340.3
Eugene, OR	868	
Great Falls, MT	990	
Portland, OR	1,034	351.86
Puget Sound, WA	1,125	
Salem, OR	985	
Spokane, WA	1,150	
Tacoma, WA	1,160	
Tri-Cities, WA	946	
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,315</b>	<b>692.16</b>

Chapter presidents are keeping track of mileage and will send to me monthly. Our official start date: 2 November 2007. Hopefully, you're got a tally and can send it to me soon so it doesn't continue to look so daunting to Boise and Portland members!

### NAWIC Core Values:

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

**Anchorage Chapter #197****MistyDawn Crim**

No report!

**Boise Chapter #245****Charlene Meadows**

Best Wishes to all in 2008! I love to take this time to think about the year just past, things accomplished, and things set aside for awhile. Our Chapter certainly accomplished a great deal in 2007 with our Block Kids competitions, Canstruction, hosting Forum, Annual Golf Tournament, Annual Dinner Auction, and the scholarships we were able to award. There were many Casino Express nights, excellent programs all year long, and we welcomed 6 new members.

Our Future Planning committee is set to meet January 5 to review our mission, goals, and direction for 2008 & beyond. We have two Block Kids competition dates set for January, and possibly one more in February. Our focus now is on the Canstruction competition scheduled for March 7, 2008. We will be turning this event over to the Idaho Foodbank after this competition, so we hope to make this last one a spectacular event. In addition, two of our members have taken charge of the MAGIC Construction Camp program, and have captured the interest of the PTE Coordinator for the Meridian School District and the Idaho AGC. We are excited to report that we will be able to bring this opportunity to Boise girls this summer! We have 9 members actively participating in the Pathway to Vegas challenge; I am pleased to report that altogether we have logged 340.3 miles thus far.

Have a Happy & Safe New Year!

**Eugene, OR #77****Robin Langkamp, CIT**

No report!

**Great Falls, MT #228****Linda Seibel**

No report!

**Portland Chapter #54****Edie Bales**

The Portland Chapter is busy planning the Oregon Retreat. Each year the Oregon Chapters get together for "fun". This year it will be Feb 29 & Mar 1<sup>st</sup> at the Tolovana Inn at Cannon Beach.

Also busy working on Block Kids, CAD and of course WIC Week. Our membership continues to grow, with another new member joining in December.

Wishing you all a safe and Happy New Years!

**Puget Sound Chapter #****Jan Lawrence**

No report!

**Salem Chapter #198****Nancy Carter**

What a wonderful time of year. The holiday's are a wonderful opportunity to spend time with family and friends.

The Salem Chapter poinsettia sale was a huge success. We sold all 300 of our poinsettia's with the last 26 poinsettia's being donated to the Women's Group Home where they will truly enjoy the beautiful gifts.

After our fun Christmas party there was some food left over and thanks to Sue Campbell's fast thinking she took the food down to the Union Gospel Mission where they appreciated the extra food.

Our January meeting will be our annual membership drive and I know Linda Almendinger has been in full swing planning this event.

*Hi Yas –*

*I want you to know and tell my sisters in NAWIC – Region 9 – how much I appreciate all the cards, flowers and prayers thru this time in my life. It was so heartwarming – NAWIC ROCKS!*

*My son Gary was a wonderful son and I'll miss him and his love forever. Gary was a fun loving giving person. To know him was to love him – he never knew a stranger. His memorial service was beautiful & a huge comfort to me. I know Gary had no idea he touched so many lives in his short 45 years of life, as NAWIC has enriched my life.*

*Love to all,*

*Shirely Wertz*

**Spokane Chapter # 143****Lori Barrick**

No report!

**Tacoma Chapter #187****Cathy Hall**

Hello! January is upon us. We are all battling the deluge of rain. It is time for a fresh start, even if it is a soggy one.

Our Christmas party was a lot of fun and good for the general fund. We had some tough bidding at the live auction, but no one was seriously injured.

Our chapter is looking forward to finding some public events to help us get noticed in 2008. More information to follow as it unfolds.

**Tri-Cities Chapter #192****Cathy Brady**

No report!

The following article was shamelessly borrowed from Krista Wilkie-Boswell, our National Marketing Chair. I found it to be helpful information for marketing and even personal development. Now is the time for goals and planning as we have a whole new year ahead of us.

Cathy Hall  
Marketing/PR

### Characteristics of Success

Everyone has the capacity to be successful in their endeavors, but how successful depends on many things. I came across an article on successful people, and thought it applicable to all facets of life and business. With it as a guideline, I have taken the liberty of adapting it a bit with a marketing/ promotional bent. Some key characteristics of success include:

1. Clearly identified core values/mission/vision. These should be the gauge by which decisions are made, particularly important decisions. Does what you do or present fall in line with your core value/mission/vision. It should..., and if it doesn't then you should not be doing it.
2. Have clearly defined, **written** goals and form a definition of success. Sometimes moving in "small steps" is just as successful as taking great leaps. Great leaps may get you there faster, but small steps work just as well for those with less time and more passive personalities. You need to know what you are attempting to do, so define success so you know when you have achieved it. Once you have, don't forget to set new goals and a higher measure of success to pursue.
3. Welcome risk-taking. People comfortable taking risks typically experience enhanced self-esteem, a more positive attitude and a sense of personal power and fulfillment. The more successful people see, and seize, opportunity, and are not afraid of a little disappointment or potential embarrassment now and again. "Failure" is seen as a learning opportunity, not something to run from. Try something new and different sometimes, without a little risk, there could be no reward.
4. Endeavor to continuously learn. Stay current in information and maintain a level of expertise in your "area of passion".
5. Think big. Successful people aren't afraid to think big. While you should not make totally unrealistic goals, if you *believe* it is possible, it probably is! So, sell it to others with your information and passion, and dive in.
6. And of course, there is always hard work, combined with the desire to succeed that will take you where you want to go. If nothing else, find some time to get together, create a strategic vision for your Chapter, write down your goals and Go For It!

**Do something, if it works, do more of it. If it doesn't, do something else.**

Franklin Delano Roosevelt

## Region 9 Calendar

**8 - 10 Feb 2008**

NEF Mid-Year Board  
San Diego, CA

**21 - 24 Feb 2008**

Mid-Year Board  
Las Vegas, NV

**29 Feb 2008**

Oregon Retreat  
Cannon Beach, OR

**14 March 2008**

Block Kids deadline  
Esther Hartshorn or Kelly Milstead

**24 - 26 April 2008**

Forum  
Anchorage, AK

**3 - 6 Sept 2008**

53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting & Convention  
Las Vegas, NV

**October 2008**

APC  
Spokane, WA

**16 - 18 April 2009**

Forum  
Seattle, WA

**26 - 29 Aug 2009**

Annual Meeting & Convention  
Phoenix, AZ

**Together Everyone Achieves More**

**Welcome our new members!**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Recruiter (if noted)</b>
Kathrin Bragich	Portland	Smith Freed & Eberhard	Megan Evans
Jeanette West	Eugene	Northwest Steel Structures	Nancy Ograin

**2008 FORUM**

DeeDee Jonrowe, Iditarod competitor

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Renewable energy

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Essential earned value reporting

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Green building

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Industry networking

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Cabin Fever Reliever

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Bucking salmon?

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**Annual Reminders**

- January 30 Chapter President annual report & questions due to me
- February 1 NAWIC Officer candidate applications
- February 15 IRS 990N due to be filed electronically
- February Scholarship money due to NFSF
- February Crystal Vision & Crystal Achievement nominations due to National
- March 2 - 8 WIC Week
- April Crystal Vision & Crystal Achievement recipients announced
- July 7 Convention registrations postmark deadline
- July 14 Convention credentials postmark date
- September NAWIC's 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention in Las Vegas

**THE NAWIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION HAS NEW CONTACT NUMBERS:**

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**MAILING ADDRESS IS THE SAME:**

P O BOX 549  
CLEMSON, SC 29633  
WWW.NAWICEDUCATION.ORG



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION**  
**46<sup>th</sup> Annual Region 9 Forum**  
**“EXPLORING NEW FRONTIERS”**  
**Hosted by Alaska Chapter #197**

**April 25 - 26, 2008**  
**Anchorage, AK**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Name for Badge \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK ONE:** Delegate (  ) Alternate (  )  
**CHECK ONE:** Member (  ) Other (  ) NAWIC Officer (Title) \_\_\_\_\_  
**CHECK ONE:** Is this your first NAWIC Region 9 Forum? Yes (  ) No (  ) How many previously? (  )

Registration Fee \$165.00 if *postmarked* by March 21, 2008  
 Late Registration Fee \$190.00 if *postmarked after* March 21, 2008  
 Non-Member Registration Fee \$300.00

Make checks payable to: NAWIC Alaska Chapter - 2008 Region 9 Forum  
 Mail registration fee to: Judy Montgomery, c/o AGC Alaska, 8005 Schoon Street, Anchorage, AK 99518

**YOUR REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:**

<i>Function</i>	<i>Guest Tickets</i>	<i>No. of Tickets</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
Friday Luncheon	\$35.00		\$
Friday Night Welcome Party and Dinner Buffet	\$50.00		\$
Saturday Luncheon	\$35.00		\$
Saturday Night Awards Dinner	\$75.00		\$
		Guest tickets	\$
		Registration Fee	\$
		Total Amount	\$

Emergency Contact Information \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Food allergies \_\_\_\_\_  
 For questions please contact Fil Spiegel at [fspiegel@beaconhss.com](mailto:fspiegel@beaconhss.com) or (907) 222-7612

Hotel Information: [www1.hilton.com/en\\_US/hi/hotel/ANCAHFF-Hilton-Anchorage-Alaska](http://www1.hilton.com/en_US/hi/hotel/ANCAHFF-Hilton-Anchorage-Alaska)  
 Standard room: \$99.00 single or double; 119.00 triple; \$139.00 quad

***Tentative Agenda will be sent to Chapter Presidents  
 later this month***

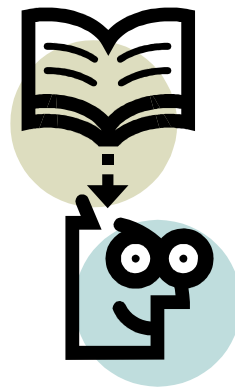


# Education is the one thing you can do to change your life!

C.I.T. - C.D.S. - C.C.A

We need you and 9 others to register to test during Forum. The testing will be held on April 24, 2008.

Take the test!  
Earn the pin!  
Wear it with pride!!



Remember:

**\*\*Well behaved women rarely make history\*\***

Take the Test and be all you can be!

## Chapter Presidents

Portland Chapter 54 – Edie Bales  
 Puget Sound Chapter 60 – Janice Lawrence  
 Eugene Chapter 77 – Robin Langkamp  
 Spokane Chapter 143 – Lori Barrick  
 Tacoma Chapter 187 – Cathy Hall  
 Tri-Cities Chapter 192 – Cathy Brady  
 Alaska Chapter 197 – Misty Dawn Crim  
 Salem Chapter 198 – Nancy Carter  
 Great Falls Chapter 228 – Linda Seibel  
 Boise Chapter 245 – Charlene Meadows

## Database

No need for outdated chapter rosters with our swanky new oh-so-accessible database!

Go to [www.nawic.org](http://www.nawic.org)

Enter your username and password

Click on Member Section

Click Member Directory

Choose the region or chapter from the pull down list

Scroll down to the output and select "Excel"

You can now save the worksheet on your computer.

## Regional Committee Leadership

- Safety – Ruth Fritts
- Tradeswomen – Kathleen Bugbee
- PR/Marketing – Cathy Hall, Sarah Webb
- Block Kids – Esther Hartshorn, Kelly Milstead
- PE – Gloria Bruning, Fil Spiegel
- CAD/Drafting – Janet Pardee
- BOMC – Diana Corbin
- Construction Industry – Amanda Ring
- Membership – Cathy Brady, Chris Jett
- Website – Robin Langkamp
- WIC Week – Pamela Keller
- Lifetime Achievement – Pam Wright\*
- WIC of the Year – Molly McClure\*
- Future Leader – Evie Clark
- Forum 2008 – Misty Dawn Crim, Evie Clark

\* = current awardee

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### Regional Recognition Awards

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March 28, 2008

*WIC of the Year*  
*Molly McClure*

*Future Leader*  
*Evie Clark*

*Lifetime Achievement*  
*Pam Wright*

- **March 28, 2008 postmark date**
- **April 1, 2008 due date**
- **Electronic / facsimile / snail mail / dog sled submissions will be accepted**
- **All instructions for signing, anonymity, etc. must be adhered to (for fairness, and to assist the judges with their impartial scoring)**
- **Forms and guidelines will be posted to Region 9 website AND sent electronically to every Chapter President before Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>**
- **If anyone does not know how to reach Molly McClure, Pam Wright or Evelyn Clark – they can look us up on-line**