Who else is excited about WIC Week?! I think we have amazing events planned and a great week ahead of us. Watch for some of our members on local media, talking about WIC Week!

Other happenings to keep on your radar:

• Our nominating committee will be reaching out to see who would be interested in standing for board and officer positions for our 2019-2020 year
• Regional Awards nomination forms have been sent out from our Region Director – they will be awarded at Forum
• Forum is rapidly approaching – April 17-18 in Wichita. We will continue to have our NEF “Change Jar” at meetings to raise NEF funds
• Applications for the National Safety Excellence Award were sent out and are posted on the NAWIC National Website – deadline for entries is April 30th
• Our 25th Annual Golf Outing will be Thursday, June 11 at Willow Run

It only seems appropriate this month to talk about WIC Week – please check out the information below.

Respectfully submitted,
Raven Hoffman
Chapter President
2019-2020 BOARD

Raven Hoffman President
Michelle Tull Vice President
Gin Aguinaga Treasurer
Stacy Fisher Corresponding Secretary
Karen Krietlow Recording Secretary
Stephanie Verhey Director
Amy Sorlien-Lee Director
Nancy Matt Director
Jamie Lambertz Director
Sara Misterek Director
Gaila Schreurs Parliamentarian

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Everyone Can Help Recruit and Grow Our Chapter!
We are always looking to invite new people to our meetings and recruit new members. Don’t be afraid to invite a friend!
Below are brief descriptions of our various committees. Committees and chairperson are established when the fiscal year begins in October. Information on the type of help a committee needs will be found throughout the year in the chapter’s monthly newsletter. But, if you see something you are interested in or would like more information on, contact the chairperson listed on the following page.

**50/50 Raffle**
Sells tickets at monthly meetings. 50% given to winning ticket holder, 50% contributed to Chapter funds.

**Audit**
Audits the books kept by the Treasurer. Done each October for the previous fiscal year. Requires three members. At least one must be a Board member.

**Block Kids**
Conducts a building contest for the purpose of educating elementary school children and promoting interest in construction related careers.

**Budget**
Develops budget for upcoming fiscal year. Held by Chapter Incoming President, Outgoing President, Incoming Treasurer and Incoming Vice President.

**Bylaws**
Presents bylaw amendments to the chapter when the National Board or the chapter makes a change.

**Finance/Ways & Means**
Held by Chapter President, Vice President and Treasurer.

**Golf Outing**
Plans the golf tournament, which raises funds for the chapter.

**Historian/Scrapbook**
Maintains the scrapbook and chapter history.

**Industry Appreciation/WIC Week**
Plans annual appreciation recognition to thank employers of our members for their support during the past year. Plans activities to celebrate Women in Construction Week (held in March)

**Membership**
Devises ways to increase and maintain membership.

**Newsletter**
Compiles information for the chapter’s monthly newsletter and distributes it to the members.

**Nominating Committee**
Recruits members to run for Board and Officer positions.

**PDE - Professional Development and Education**
Develops monthly programs that are directed toward professionalism, construction and self-improvement.

**Public Relations**
Writes and submits news releases on chapter meetings and activities to the news media.

**Roster**
Maintains and updates the chapter roster book.

**Safety & OSHA**
Provides members an awareness of safety and health issues as they pertain to the construction industry.

**Scholarship**
Maintains contact list for distribution of applications to the area schools and past participants, distributes application information to said list, promotes both Chapter and NFSF scholarships.

**Social Media**
Keeps the chapter’s website and Facebook page content current. Check’s Chapter email.

**Social Committee (including Winter and Summer Social)**
Plans monthly social events as well as the December and July meetings, which are casual social events.
Committee volunteers welcome and appreciated! Contact committee chairs or Raven Hoffman at Syverson Tile for more information.

**Membership:**
Chair - Karen Krietlow, Members: Gaila Schreurs, Gin Aguinaga

**Roster Book:**
Tracy Kerkhove

**Public Relations/Marketing:**
Co-Chairs - Karen Krietlow, Leah Simmons

**Historian/Scrapbook:**
Chair - Brooke Cosand

**WIC Week/Industry Appreciation:**
Co-Chairs - Karen Krietlow/Michelle Tull, Members: Gin Aguinaga, Stacy Fisher, Brooke Cosand, Sara Misterek

**Newsletter:**
Chair - Leah Simmons

**Social Media (Website/Facebook/Email):**
Chair - Karen Krietlow, Members: Stacy Fisher

**Bylaws:**
Chair/VP - Michelle Tull

**Nominating Committee:**
Chair - TBD, Members: Brooke Cosand, Gaila Schreurs, Gin Aguinaga

**Finance/Ways & Means:**
Chair - Gin Aguinaga/Chapter Treasurer, Members:
Raven Hoffman, Chapter President 2019-2020
Michelle Tull, Chapter Vice President 2019-2020

**Audit 2020:**
Chair – Gaila Schreurs, Members: Brooke Cosand, Sandra Meylor

**Budget:**
Chair - Raven Hoffman, Incoming Chapter President
Gin Aguinaga, Incoming Treasurer
Michelle Tull, Incoming Vice President
Leiah Engesser, Outgoing Treasurer

**Golf Tournament/2020 Fundraising:**
Co-Chairs - Karen Krietlow/Gin Aguinaga, Members: Teri McKenney, Lisa Christenson, Stacy Fisher, Sara Misterek, Stephanie VerHey, Tracy Kerkhove

**50/50 Raffle:**
Co-Chairs - Gaila Schreurs, Amy Christoffels

**Professional Education/Construction Industry:**
Chair - Karen Krietlow, Members: Michelle Tull, Sara Misterek, Stephanie VerHey

**Safety/OSHA:**
Co-Chairs - Regan Duvall, Amy Sorlien-Lee

**Scholarship:**
Chair - Open, Members: Cindy Cosand

**Block Kids 2019:**
Co-Chairs - Karen Krietlow, Stacy Fisher, Members: Stephanie Verhey, Amy Sorlien-Lee, Michelle Tull, Sara Misterek, Brooke Cosand, Sally Bonrud

**Block Kids 2020:**
Chair - Karen Krietlow, Members: Michelle Tull, Stacy Fisher, Amy Christoffels, Leah Simmons, Sara Misterek

**Social Committee:**
Chair - Brooke Cosand, Member: Michelle Tull, Leah Simmons, Gin Aguinaga, Cindy Cosand, Leiah Engesser

**Sponsorship:**
Co-Chairs: Michelle Tull, Gin Aguinaga, Stacy Fisher
WHEREAS, the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION, hereinafter referred to as NAWIC, is an international association dedicated to the advancement of women in the construction industry, and

WHEREAS, integrity, professionalism, respect and courtesy are all fundamental values of NAWIC, and

WHEREAS, NAWIC’s officers, directors, staff and members represent the Association to others within and outside of the construction industry, and

WHEREAS, NAWIC and its members wish to set out in writing the code of professionalism by which they strive to implement their fundamental values in all their actions, for both internal and external activities,

NOW, THEREFORE, the following is adopted as the CODE OF PROFESSIONALISM of the National Association of Women in Construction:

NAWIC members will act at all times in conformance with the following Association Policy: NAWIC is self-governing, non-profit, non-partisan and non-sectarian.

NAWIC members will use their best efforts to ensure that the statements made and positions taken fairly represent the view of the entire group on behalf of which they are authorized to speak.

NAWIC members, when representing members of the Association, will take steps to hear and consider the views of all their constituents and make those members feel that their views are important, even if the position taken is in disagreement with any member’s particular views.

NAWIC members, when representing the Association, its Committees, Regions, Councils or Chapters shall give those positions their full support.

NAWIC members shall treat as confidential any information to which they are given access by virtue of being an officer or director, candidate for office, or director-elect.

NAWIC members shall conduct themselves professionally in the course of any activities affecting the Association, including campaigning for office.
CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS

Self-Defense Class
Members received hands-on self defense training from Fallout Shelter Ministries

February OSHA Updates
Sheila Stanley reviews the latest information on OSHA updates with members for the February meeting.

HBA Home Show Build Competition
Thank you to everyone who came out to this year’s HBA Build Competition at the Home Show!
Let’s recognize our new member, Olivia Niggeling of Pella! Welcome aboard! We all can’t wait to get to know you!

REMEMBER OUR MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE! We have 3 months left!

Bring a guest to a meeting and get your name put in for a drawing of a FREE MEAL! One entry PER GUEST! Guests that you refer to attending the WIC Week Lunch & Learn count!

If your guest becomes a member, you AND your guest get entered into another drawing where you will BOTH win $50 gift cards! We will draw in May at our Membership Appreciation night! What are you waiting for? Invite some guests!

WIC Week is the PERFECT week to encourage a guest to take part in the NAWIC 101 Lunch & Learn. It’s a Free event for potential members! Also, bring guests to the WIC Week Mixer! It’s always a great event loaded with fun and networking!

I’d also love to hear back from members on your WHY! Why did you choose NAWIC to be a part of and has your WHY changed since then? What is your new WHY? Email me those WHY’s if you could and I’d like to use them in some promotion!

Karen Krietlow
Membership Chair
MARCH BIRTHDAYS
Brooke Cosand, March 3
Carole Lee, March 6
Amy Christoffels, March 11
Ashley Kimmel-Miller, March 13
Ann Hill, March 26
Sadie Steen, March 27

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES
Nancy Matt, 2 Years
Amy Christoffels, 13 Years
Regan Duvall, 1 Year
Leiah Engesser, 2 Years
Stacy Fisher, 3 Years

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!
Olivia Niggeling,
Pella Gateway

NEWSLETTER ITEMS WANTED
Submit your information to Leah Simmons (email to leah.simmons@johnstonesupply.com) by the second to last Friday of the month. We are looking for the following information:

- Promotions
- Good News
- Help Wanted
- Congrats!
- New Baby
- Marriages
- Company News
- Retirements
- Movers & Shakers

MEETING/EVENT RSVP REMINDER
Just a reminder that RSVP's for our monthly meetings are due by noon on the Friday previous to the meeting. If you have changes to your RSVP after noon on that Friday, please only contact your person directly. The calling committee will take care of notifying the correct people of the changes. Also, please take the time to respond to the Correspondence Committee when they send out the Meeting/RSVP notice. It will help in the amount of extra time spent if they can get responses the first time around. Thank you much for your cooperation!

STANDING RULE #12: Reservations for dinner meetings are made through the Corresponding Secretary. Please let us know as soon as a “yes” RSVP has to be changed to a “No”. The Chapter and/or board cannot guarantee dinner to anyone who does not make a reservation for dinner, but does attend.”

Thanks for your cooperation on this!
March Member Meeting: March 5 @ 5:30pm, WIC Week Member Mixer
JJ's Wine, Spirits & Cigars, 3000 W. 57th Street

March Board Meeting: March 17th @11:30am, Graybar Electric

MARCH EVENTS
SF Chamber of Commerce Mixer,
March 17th @ 4:30pm
Great Shots,
2505 W Benson Rd, Sioux Falls, SD

WIC WEEK EVENTS
Selfie Day! March 2nd
Post and share WIC week on social media

Pizza, Pop & Power Tools
March 3rd
CTE Academy, 8:30 AM

NAWIC Lunch & Learn
March 4th
Cherry Creek Grill, 11:30 AM

Industry Appreciation/WIC Week Mixer
March 5th
J&J Spirits, 4:30-7:00 PM
2020 EVENTS CALENDAR

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MEMBER COMPANY SPOTLIGHT

We want to shine the spotlight on a BIG opporunity for StarMark Cabinetry! Partnering with Extreme Make-Over on HGTV, check out their craftsmanship on full display in half of this season's episodes. Check it out Online here at their website: [https://www.starmarkcabinetry.com/extreme-makeover-home-edition](https://www.starmarkcabinetry.com/extreme-makeover-home-edition)


Congratulations StarMark Cabinetry!
MARCH MEMBER PROFILE

Name: Sandra Meylor

Date joined NAWIC: November 1, 2019

Company: Vast Broadband

How long have you worked there? 3 years in May

What is your title and what are your duties? Sales Channel Manager, I find partners who refer us to their customers/members so they can take advantage of the latest technology and use our life enhancing products in their business.

List accomplishments you are especially proud of (work or personal): I started the Channel program from ground up and have numerous partners now who like the fact that they have been a resource for their customers to make their business more efficient. I love the fact I can help businesses use technology to it makes their work life better, which in turn carries into the personal life.

What are your personal interests? Interest include being a mom to 3 fantastic boys and attending their events, whether that is track, football, basketball to Taekwondo, or new found love of roller-skating. Our family likes to take hikes at parks, go Geocaching and are active in Scouts.

Tell us about special people in your life: Special people in my life are my husband Bob of 22 years, sons Mitchell, 19, Eddie 16 and Reilly 10. Plus our sons cat Berry.

How were you introduced to NAWIC? Jamie Lambertz from AGC of South Dakota invited me to an event and I joined the next day. I find this group has such diverse members but all are easy to talk to and they are so inviting.

What is your favorite memory, committee, or area of interest in NAWIC? I am open to all the different areas within NAWIC and still learning all it has to offer. I’m excited to see WIC week and grow with the group.

What do you hope to gain from NAWIC? Not only do I hope to gain business contacts but also personal relationships to be able to grow and learn from. This is the one group I really feel is down to earth and likes to have fun while getting down to business. I am excited to see how we can break thresholds in the industry.

Anything else you care to share? Not very many groups like this can make you feel proud about the place you live~ NAWIC has done that with learning about the businesses in town that have gone up and the investment in our community.
Common Construction Site Fire Hazards

There are numerous potential construction site hazards that can cause a fire:

**Combustible materials:** Most construction sites are filled with materials that can easily catch fire, such as liquid fuel, lumber and protective coverings for equipment.

**Electrical wiring:** Faulty, exposed or improperly installed electrical wiring is a major fire hazard at many construction sites.

**Unattended heating units:** The use of space heaters is common at many construction sites in colder climates. However, they pose a significant fire hazard if they're left unattended or placed too close to flammable materials.

**Careless smoking:** While there may be rules in place that prohibit smoking on a construction site, they don’t always prevent construction workers from smoking on the job. It only takes one carelessly discarded cigarette to ignite a deadly blaze.

**Arson:** Many construction fires are intentionally set by vandals or disgruntled workers.

Construction Site Fire Safety Tips

While it may be impossible to eliminate all jobsite hazards that can cause a fire, there are a variety of preventive steps site managers and employees can take to minimize the risk:

- Substituting flammable building materials with flame retardant products wherever possible
- Keeping the site free of discarded trash
- Strictly enforcing no smoking policies
- Restricting the use of space heaters in high-risk areas
- Properly training workers on safe work practices
- Storing combustible materials away from buildings that are under construction
- Ensuring all electrical work complies with all fire/building codes
- Keeping all equipment in proper working order
- Placing fire extinguishers at individual work areas and ensuring workers know how to operate them

How do Fires Start?

The fire triangle represents the 3 components needed to ignite and sustain a fire: **heat, fuel** and **oxygen**. If just one of these components is removed, the fire triangle will collapse and the fire will be extinguished.

**Heat**

A source of heat is required for ignition to occur, and different materials have different ‘flash points’ (the lowest temperature at which they ignite). For some types of fire, the heat can be cooled with the application of water.

**Fuel**

A fire cannot begin if there is no material to burn. Flammable materials are everywhere—paper, oil, wood, fabrics, etc. Any of these can serve as a fuel for a fire. Some materials burn more easily than others. Fuels are probably the most difficult ‘side’ of the fire triangle to remove, so it’s wise to store them appropriately to prevent them becoming a fire hazard.

**Oxygen**

To sustain the combustion reaction, oxygen (or an oxidizing agent) is needed, as it reacts with the burning fuel to release heat and CO2. Earth’s atmosphere consists of 21% oxygen, so there is plenty available to trigger a fire if the other two components are present. Fire blankets and certain fire extinguishers remove the oxygen ‘side’ of the triangle by removing it or displacing it, causing suffocation and thereby ceasing the combustion reaction.
EMPOWERING WOMEN IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY SINCE 1953.

The National Association of Women in Construction is a network for women in the field of construction. With active branches across the Dakotas, now is the time to connect and engage with women professionals in your area!

JOIN US FOR WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION (WIC) WEEK MARCH 1-7, 2020

sfnawic@gmail.com

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CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE FOR 2020 EVENTS!
RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

25th ANNUAL
NAWIC GOLF OUTING
THURSDAY, JUNE 11th  WILLOW RUN GOLF COURSE
18 HOLE SCRAMBLE  JUNE 5th DEADLINE
SIGN-UP TODAY!

18 HOLE SCRAMBLE
OPEN TO MEN AND WOMEN GOLFERS!

Willow Run Golf Course
8000 East SD Highway 42
Sioux Falls, SD  57110

Thursday, June 11, 2020
Registration Starts at 9:00 AM
Shotgun Start at 10:00 AM

FOR MORE INFORMATION: eventssfnawic@gmail.com

EVENT PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT:
National Association of Women in Construction
Greater Sioux Falls Chapter 237

NAWIC is a non-profit organization. A portion of the proceeds will go toward education for our members and scholarships for students pursuing degrees in the construction industry.