



Fargo-Moorhead, ND Chapter #246

The Prairie Rose



*As material for the
construction of our
building, I pledge
the agility of
my hands, the
ability of my mind,
and the integrity
of my heart.*



December 2014

Message From FM #246

Fargo-Moorhead, ND #246's membership is at 10!!

Welcome to our newest members - Maria Selk, Mortenson Construction and Megan Meyer a student at NDSU in Civil Engineering.

Thank you to all the members for their hard work to make our 36th Annual Construction Industry Auction a success. We had many new attendees and the return of some past members join us for the evening. Although it was an exciting and fun night it was also sad as we memorialized long time member Onie Loeks. We had the great honor of having her family and co-workers join us for the evening and are working on a scholarship in Onie's name with Dakota Supply Group (where Onie worked for 40 years).

Congratulations to the two scholarship recipients - Wyatt Aberle from NDSU and Shelby Regimbal from NDSCS. Along with the scholarship recognitions, we recognized our new members, held our 14-15 Officer Installation and recognized our auctioneer for his 27 years of service to the FM#246 chapter (he's been with NAWIC longer than any of our current members) - see pictures on page 13.

We have some great meetings and opportunities planned. On December 4th (yesterday) Suzi and I worked the booth at the Health Tech & Trade Expo promoting construction as a viable career choice to over 2800 local 9th grade students. Mortenson Const. also had a booth at the show. Later in the day was The Chamber Business After Hours where I made contacts with some future speakers for our chapter meetings (Mortenson also had a booth at this event). Check out or meeting notice on page 4 for the December program and Meeting Calendar on page 9 for the meetings we currently have planned.

Hope to see you at one of our future meetings!!

***The members of Fargo-Moorhead, ND #246 wish
you all a Very Merry Christmas &
Best wishes for a Happy New Year***



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Chapter #246**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Happy NAWIC Anniversary Lynn Madaus (1996)	1	2 Women's Empower Hour (details see pg 3)	3	4 Health, Tech & Trades Expo Business After Hours (pg 2)	5	6
7	8	9	10 FM 246 Board Meeting (Lunch)	11	12	13
14	15	16 FM 246 Membership Meeting / Program 5:00	17	18	19 Monthly reports due to Director	20 Membership & PR&M reports due to Regional Chairs
21	22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas NAWIC Offices Closed	26	27
28	29	30	31			
NAWIC Office Closed						

Upcoming 2014 / 2015 Events

40TH ANNUAL FORUM - 2015	ANNUAL MEETING & EDUCATION CONFERENCE (AMEC)	Midwest Region!!
Fabulous 40th at the Falls Throwback to 1975" Holiday Inn City Center Downtown Sioux Falls Dbl or King Room - \$92/night + tax Two-Room Suite - \$139/night + tax Watch for more Info	SAVE THE DATE 60th Annual Meeting Watch for monthly emails about all the things to do & see in Indianapolis when you aren't in the many seminars & workshops that will be available to enhance your career in the construction industry!!	October 1, 2015 Midwest Region 6 And Midwest Region 13 Become ONE!!
April 23 - 25, 2015 Sioux Falls, SD	September 2 - 5, 2015 Nashville, TN	Midwest Region!!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Info due to Director for Mid-year meeting Candidates for NAWIC office - paperwork due on or before Feb. 1 Work on WIC Week plans Bid for Forum ?				1	2	3
4	5	6 Women's Empower Hour (details below)	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 FM 246 Board Meeting (Lunch)	15	16	17
18	19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday	20 ** FM 246 Membership Meeting / Program	21	22	23	24
25 Monthly reports due to Director Chapter Status Report Due	26	27	28	29	30	31
** Membership & PR&M reports due to Regional Chairs						

Networking Events

Women's Empower Hour - Held the 1st Tuesday of each Month

5:30 - 7:30 pm Hotel Donaldson - "Stoker's in the Basement"; 101 N. Broadway

For more information go to www.womensimpact.org

Chamber - Business After Hours - Held on Thursday night (bi-monthly) - Location varies

February 5 - 4:30 - 6:30 pm Courtyard by Marriott Fargo-Moorhead

For more information go to www.fmchamber.com



Fargo-Moorhead, ND Chapter #246

Monthly Membership Meeting/Program Notice



Tuesday, December 16, 2014

Holiday Inn (Club I) I-29 & 13th Ave. Fargo, ND

Social Hour 5:30 pm

Dinner 6:00 pm

(Order from menu - paid by individuals)

Meeting 7:00 pm



Program 6:30 pm



"Technology Training"

Presented by: Emily Sumner, Mortenson Construction



- **Bring your Laptop or Tablet** - Join us for a hands-on demonstration on how to use Facebook, LinkedIn, Dropbox and more



Bring a (\$10 - \$15) gift to exchange

and

an UN-wrapped toy for the children at the YWCA Women's Shelter.



RSVP by December 12, 2014 to: Amy Berg
by phone: 218-234-6633
or email: aberg.nawic@yahoo.com

Chapter Member Information

Amy Berg, CBT, CIT

Joined - March 28, 1989

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Lynn Madaus

Joined - December 1, 1996

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Megan Meyer

Joined - December 1, 2014

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Joanna Slominski, LEED AP

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Emily Sumner, EIT

Joined - October 1, 2014

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Dawn Wiedewitsch

Joined - February 1, 1998

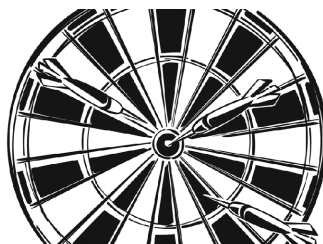
Tomboy Tools
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This could be you!!



This could be you!!



TAKE AIM FOR NAWIC



2014 / 2015 Officers

NATIONAL

President	- Sandy Field, CBT, CIT
President Elect	- Riki Lovejoy, CBT, CIT
Vice President	- Connie Leopard, CIT
Secretary	- Amy Berg, CBT, CIT
Treasurer	- Stephanie Crane, CIT
Imm. Past President	- Yasmine Branden, CCA

LOCAL

President	- Amy Berg, CBT, CIT
Vice President / IPP	- Dawn Wiedewitsch
Secretary	- Phyllis Phillips
Treasurer	- Suzi Retzlaff
Director	- Joanna Slominski
Director	- Melanie Nordhougen

Quote of the Month

"Character - Reputation is what folks think you are. Personality is what you seem to be. Character is what you really are."



If you have anything you would like added to the Newsletter:

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WEBSITE

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Fax - 817-877-0324

WEBSITE

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www.nawic.org

FACEBOOK

Connect with us on Facebook at
facebook.com/nawicnational

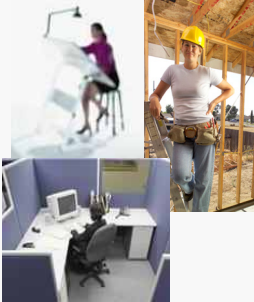


Committee Reports

MEMBERSHIP - Check out "Meet the Members" on Page 12 - JOANNA SLOMINSKI

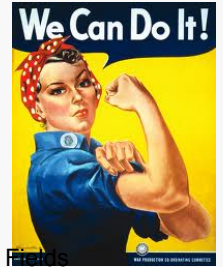
Welcome to our new members - Maria Selk (11/2014) of Mortenson Construction and Megan Meyer (12/2014) a Civil Engineering student at North Dakota State University.

- If you are interested in hearing more about NAWIC please contact our Membership Chair: Joanna Slominski at joanna.slominski@mortenson.com.



Do any of these describe your job? Then NAWIC is for you!!!

- Accounting / Contract Administrator
- Engineers / Architects
- Project Managers
- Tradeswomen
- Business Owners
- Office Manager
- Operations Managers
- College Student In Construction Fields



DUTIES: Responsible for all activities to retain and expand membership in addition to planned, specific activities carried out by the committee members. ALL CHAPTER members will be involved in membership promotion on an individual level and as requested by the Committee Chair. The committee assignments include a team to carry out a new member orientation/mentor program.

PR & MARKETING (COMMUNICATIONS / PUBLICITY) - EMILY SUMNER



NEWSLETTER: Publish and distribute an informative monthly Chapter newsletter. Distribution will include Chapter members, other Chapter Presidents, Regional Directors, NAWIC Officers and NAWIC office. The President, Secretary and Committee Chairs will provide monthly input. All members are encouraged to submit items of interest.

MEDIA (Social & Print): Will use various print and broadcast media to promote (at no cost) Chapter monthly meetings, programs and special events. The Chair will ensure that individual members and sponsoring companies accomplishments receive local media recognition and will also submit items of interest to The Connection and The IMAGE.

\$CHOLAR\$HIP - DUE TO NFSF BY FEBRUARY 28TH!!! - JOANNA SLOMINSKI

NFSF: Please let all students you know who are enrolled in one of the many construction fields that they may be eligible for a scholarship from the NAWIC Founders' Scholarship Foundation (NFSF). Applications are available on the NAWIC website - www.nawic.org Education NFSF and must be returned to the Foundation by February 28th each year to be considered.

LOCAL: Congratulations to our two local scholarship recipients. Wyatt Aberle, a sophomore in Construction Management at NDSU and Shelby Regimbal, a sophomore in Architectural Drafting at NDSCS.



BYLAWS / STANDING RULES - DAWN WIEDEWITSCH

There were several changes to the NAWIC Bylaws due to the redistricting of the Regions. Each member needs to go to the NAWIC website and download the most current copies of the NAWIC manual.

- The Chapter Standing Rules have been approved by the National Chair and have been circulated for review and discussion prior to the chapter board voting to approve.

DUTIES: Responsible for preparation and presentation of all Bylaw and Chapter Standing Rule amendments.

Committee Reports

WAYS & MEANS (FUNDRAISING) - MARIA SELK

Sponsorship Opportunities

Information packet is available on the chapter website: www.nawicfm246.org

Auction

Thanks to everyone for making the auction a great success!!

DUTIES: Responsible for all Chapter fundraising activities. Subcommittees will oversee annual activities such as the Annual Auction, Golf Tournament and/or other activities.

IMPORTANT - do you have any ideas for Chapter Fundraisers?

FINANCE - AUDIT / BUDGET - SUZI RETZLAFF

AUDIT: 13-14 Audit is done - Filed in Chapter records.

BUDGET: Adopted as presented at October meeting



PARILIAMENTARIAN - DAWN WIEDEWITSCH

DUTIES: Will help the President keep the meeting running smoothly.

NAWIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION (NEF) - SEE PAGE 10 FOR MORE DETAILS

DUTIES: Will promote the NAWIC Education Foundation (NEF) programs within the Chapter and Community and also gain financial support for these programs which include Block Kids, CAD Design/Drafting contests for students and the adult educational programs (see info on page 10)

WIC WEEK - MARCH 1 - 7, 2015 - MELANIE NORDHOUGEN

Women In Construction (WIC) Week

"Diamond in the rough, stronger than ever!"



The focus of WIC Week is to highlight women as a visible component of the construction industry. It is also a time for local chapters to give back to their communities. WIC Week also provides an occasion for NAWIC's thousands of members across the country to raise awareness of the opportunities available for women in the construction industry and to emphasize the growing role of women in the industry.

Committee Reports

PROFESSION DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATION - AMY BERG/LYNN MADAUS

DUTIES: Responsible for all arranging monthly meeting programs and provide program information to the Secretary (for thank you notes), Media Relations and Newsletter. The Chair may also submit seminar recommendations to Ways and Means.

IMPORTANT - do you have any ideas for Programs, Seminars and other items to promote NAWIC?

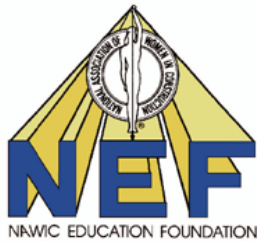
2014 - 2015 Monthly Meeting/Program Schedule

OCTOBER 21, 2014	NOVEMBER 20, 2014	DECEMBER 16, 2014
Program: Tour of New Sanford Medical Center Presenter: Mortenson Construction Location: Club I, Holiday Inn	Program: 36th Annual Construction Industry Auction Fundraiser to support our industry programs and scholarships Location: Holiday Inn	Program: Technology Training Presenter: Emily Sumner Bring your laptops or tablets for hands-on technology training!! Facebook, LinkedIn & more Gift exchange & Toy Donation Location: Club I, Holiday Inn
JANUARY 20, 2015	FEBRUARY 17, 2015	MARCH 17, 2015
Tour of New Sanford Medical Center Presenter: Mortenson Construction Location: Sanford Jobsite 5461 23rd Ave S; Fargo, ND Sponsor (s): Available	Program: TBD Presenter: Location: Club I, Holiday Inn Sponsor (s): Available	Program: TBD Presenter: Location: Sponsor (s): Available
APRIL 21, 2015	MAY 19, 2015	JUNE 16, 2015
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JULY 21, 2015	AUGUST 18, 2015	SEPTEMBER 22, 2015
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NAWIC Education Foundation



Educating the Construction Industry Today . . . and Tomorrow.

NAWIC Education Foundation

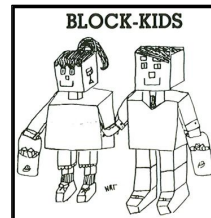
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Email: nef@bellsouth.net

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS

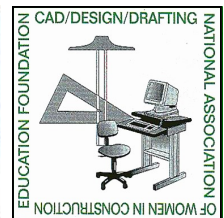
Certified Construction Associate (CCA)
Construction Document Specialist (CDS)
Construction Industry Technician (CIT)
Construction Industry Specialist (CIS)
Construction Bookkeeping Technician (CBT)



Grades 1 - 6



Grades 8 - 12



Grades 9 - 12

Youth Programs

CAD/Design Drafting -

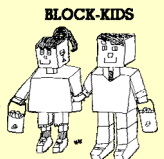


The 2014-2015 CAD/Design Drafting Problem and info is now available on the NAWIC Education Foundation website.

Information has been sent to all the area schools with registrations due January 5th.

Block Kids -

Introduces children to the construction industry in an effort to create an awareness of and to promote an interest in future careers in one of the many facets of the industry.



NOTE: All "blocks" shall be interlocking types of the "Micro" size 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 posts.
(No "Duplo" size blocks).



BECOME AN NEF AMBASSADOR... Would you like to help promote NEF to all of the Construction Industry?

Ambassadors will receive:

- A **bronze pin** for completing **one** item,
- A **silver pin** for completing **two** items, and
- A **gold pin** for completing **three** items or more.



The criteria to become a NEF Ambassador and the nomination form are available on the NEF website at www.nawiceducation.org.

The Fargo-Moorhead, ND Chapter
has the following NAWIC
promotional items for sale

For more details contact:

Amy Berg, CBT, CIT
aberg.nawic@yahoo.com

Tote Bag

SanMar Microfiber
14" X 17 1/2"

\$30.00 each.



Back Pack

Port & Company
14" X 17 1/2"

With Front Zipper Pocket

\$10.00 each.



Golf Towel

With hook
11 1/2" X 17 1/2"

\$10.00 each.



Qty	Item	Cash/Check	Credit Card	Extended Cost
	Tote Bag	\$ 30.00	31.25	\$
	Back Pack	\$ 10.00	10.50	\$
	Golf Towel	\$ 10.00	10.50	\$
	Subtotal *			\$
* Plus Shipping (based on item)				

Name: _____

Company ** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Complete Credit Card Number

Billing Postal Code

Exp Date

Security Code/CVV

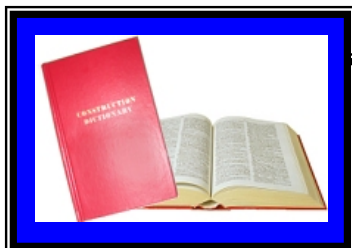
Email address: _____ Contact Phone #: _____

(please provide a contact email address and/or phone #)

We will contact you with the final amount due that will include the shipping charges.

Meet the FM #246 Members

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Phone # / Email:	701-205-3733 / emily.sumner@mortenson.com
Nature of Business:	General Contracting
Job Title:	Field Engineer
Years with Company:	1 year
Duties & Responsibilities:	Managing field operations; Daily inspection of various trades, Contract Management; Subcontractor & Design coordination
Additional Construction Experience:	Mortenson Construction - Federal Contracting Group / Intern / Daily Inspections Mortenson Construction - Renewable Energy Group / Intern / Contract Management Mortenson Construction - Minneapolis Operating Group / Quality Intern / Inspections
Years in Construction	1 total - 1 employed
Preferred Contact:	Mailing and Phone - Home
Education:	Bachelor of Science in Civil & Environmental Engineering at SDSU
Computer Skills:	Microsoft Office programs - Intermediate skills in CAD and Solid Works
Birthday (Month/Day):	9/25
Family:	Father - Rock - Sales Manager at The Afternoon and Administrative Asst for Presbyterian Church of the Cross (lives in Omaha, NE) Mother - Anna - Human Resource Asst at the National Science Foundation (lives in Washington DC / Older Brother - Scott - Photographer for Life Touch
Interests & Activities:	Running Marathons - it is my goal to run a marathon in every state / Yoga / Traveling - another ambition is to travel to all continents. I have just two left! Wedding Planning - I am the maid of honor for a wedding next August for my best friend of college
NAWIC Joined Date:	10/2014
How did you hear about NAWIC?	My freshman year of college, I was applying for several scholarships and received the NAWIC scholarship from the Omaha Chapter.
What made you decide to join?	I realized there were several benefits such as strengthening my professionalism and overall knowledge base of the construction industry through joining.
What makes you stay?	This is my first year
Why did you choose a career in construction?	Construction is an extremely diverse field that is changing and improving constantly. I like being a part of a team focused on one goal (completion on time, on budget) and working with several people and scopes. I also enjoy learning something new everyday (on the project I'm currently on I learn about 8 new things per day).



THIS MONTHS CONSTRUCTION WORDS:

What do I mean?

- 1) Box girder _____
- 2) Silicosis _____

- Whoever brings the correct definition to the meeting will receive a small prize.
Good luck to all!!! (From - Construction Dictionary)

Answers from last month's Words:

- 1) Orthostyle - In architecture, the pacing of a series of columns in a straight row.
- 2) Gaul - A hollow in a finishing coat caused by bad troweling.

Last months winner (s) - Dawn got both correct

NAWIC
Builds

2014 Auction

14-15 Installation

New Member Recognition

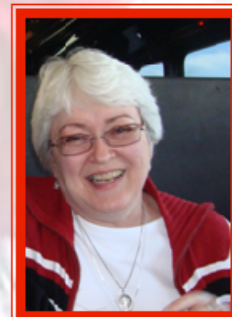


*Scholarship
 Recognition*



*27 year
 Recognition
 Auctioneer*

*Onie Loeks
 Memorial*



Chapter #246 Sponsors



**Innovative
Window
& Door
Service, LLC**

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Amy Berg, President - 218-234-6633
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Chapter #246 Sponsors

Sponsorships Available:

Annual Sponsorships:

- \$250 - General Contractor
- \$200 - Contractor *
- \$150 - Sub-Contractor*

- * Select one of the following events
 - Golf Tournament
 - Auction Fundraiser

Event Sponsorships:

- \$100 - Project Manager
- \$ 50 - Trades Person
- \$ 25 - Construction Supporter

Single Events

- Block Kids Program
- CAD/Design Drafting Competition
- WIC Week Events
- Networking Event(s)

For complete sponsorship details and the commitment form go to the chapter website at www.nawicfm246.org.



CORE PURPOSE

TO ENHANCE THE SUCCESS OF WOMEN IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

CORE VALUES:

BELIEVE • PERSEVERE • DARE



METROPOLITAN MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC.

