News from the Plains

Greater Sioux Falls
Chapter #237
July 2017

Upcoming Meeting
Wednesday, July 12, 2017
- Summer Social
  Bring the whole family!!
- Country Orchard
  Meadow Barn
  1690 Willow Street
  Harrisburg, SD 57032
- 5:00 – 7:30pm

President’s Message

All,

Happy July already! As this is after the 4th I hope that you all had a great holiday and that you had a fun and safe time celebrating America’s birthday with family and friends!

There isn’t a whole lot of news in NAWIC world other than our social next week! I hope that you can all join us with your family and guests at the Meadow Barn at Country Orchard next Wednesday the 12th. It will be a fun time of just socializing and relaxing during this busy time of the year.

Other than that, keep Saturday, August 5th open if you want to volunteer to help with the MS Bike ride. If you want more details, contact Raven! From what I hear it is always a great time!

Let’s continue rocking NAWIC this last quarter and push into another great year!

As always if you have any concerns or suggestions for our chapter, please feel free to contact me!

Respectfully,
Gin Aguinaga

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NAWIC’s CORE PURPOSE:
To enhance the success of women in the construction industry.

NAWIC’s CORE VALUES:
Believe. Persevere. Dare.

Volunteers Needed for the MS Bike Ride!!!
August 5th, 7:30am – 12:00pm
Threshman’s, Granite, MN
For more info, please contact Raven.
rhoffman@syversontile.com
FALLS ARE THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN CONSTRUCTION. In 2015, there were 350 fatal falls to a lower level out of 937 construction fatalities (BLS data). These deaths are preventable.

Since 2012, OSHA has partnered with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) - Construction Sector on the Fall Prevention Campaign to raise awareness among workers and employers about common fall hazards in construction, and how falls from ladders, scaffolds and roofs can be prevented.

PLAN ahead to get the job done safely
When working from heights, employers must plan projects to ensure that the job is done safely. Begin by deciding how the job will be done, what tasks will be involved, and what safety equipment may be needed to complete each task.

When estimating the cost of a job, employers should include safety equipment, and plan to have all the necessary equipment and tools available at the construction site. For example, in a roofing job, think about all of the different fall hazards, such as holes or skylights and leading edges, then plan and select fall protection suitable to that work, such as personal fall arrest systems (PFAS).

PROVIDE the right equipment
Workers who are six feet or more above lower levels are at risk for serious injury or death if they should fall. To protect these workers, employers must provide fall protection and the right equipment for the job, including the right kinds of ladders, scaffolds, and safety gear.

Use the right ladder or scaffold to get the job done safely. For roof work, if workers use personal fall arrest systems (PFAS), provide a harness for each worker who needs to tie off to the anchor. Make sure the PFAS fits, and regularly inspect it for safe use.

TRAIN everyone to use the equipment safely
Every worker should be trained on proper set-up and safe use of equipment they use on the job. Employers must train workers in recognizing hazards on the job.
## JULY MEMBER ROSTER

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## JULY MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Arlys Rust – July 5
- Katrin Profilet – July 8
- Stacy Fisher – July 17
- Tana Bieber – July 17

## JULY MEMBER NAWIC ANNIVERSARIES

- Jamie Lambertz – 3 years
- Amy Olson-Miller – 5 years

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**Welcome!**

**New Members**

- Leah Simmons
  - Johnstone Supply
- Ashley Kimmel-Miller
  - Tull Companies

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**2016 – 2017 CHAPTER BOARD MEMEBERS**

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2016 – 2017 Committee Chairs & Members

Membership: Chair—Gaila Schreurs, Raven Hoffman, Tracy Kerkhove

Calling Committee: Chair—Tracy Kerkhove, (open spots)

Roster Book: Raven Hoffman

Public Relations/Marketing: Chair— Brooke Cosand, Karen Krietlow

Historian/Scrapbook: Chair— Brooke Cosand

WIC Week/Industry Appreciation: Chair— Karen Krietlow, Tracy Kerkhove, Brooke Cosand

Newsletter: Chair— Amy Dybedahl

Social Media (Website/ Face book/ email) — Chair—Karen Krietlow, Michelle Tull

Bylaws: Chair— Brooke Cosand

Nominating Committee: Chair— Tracy Kerkhove, Katrin Profilet, Brooke Cosand

Finance/Ways & Means: Chair—Gaila Schreurs/Chapter Treasurer, Gin Aguinaga/Chapter President, Raven Hoffman/Chapter Vice President

Audit 2016: Chair—Katie Krantz, Amy Dybedahl, Gaila Schreurs

Budget: Chair—Gin Aguinaga/Incoming Chapter President, Gaila Schreurs/Incoming Treasurer, Brooke Cosand/Immediate Past President, Raven Hoffman/Incoming Vice President

Golf Tournament /2017 Fundraising: Co-Chairs—Tracy Kerkhove/ Gin Aguinaga, Karen Krietlow, Katrin Profilet, Christine Therkildsen

50/50 Raffle: Chair—Cindy Cosand, Tana Bieber

Professional Education/ Construction Industry: Chair—Karen Krietlow, Stephanie VerHey, Michelle Tull, Tracy Kerkhove

Safety/OSHA: Chair— Raven Hoffman, Amy Sorlien-Lee

Scholarship: Chair—Raven Hoffman, Cindy Cosand, Katie Krantz, Arlys Rust, Christine Therkildsen

Block Kids 2017: Co-Chairs—Open/Open, Raven Hoffman, Karen Krietlow, Katie Krantz, Amy Sorlien-Lee, Christine Therkildsen, Michelle Tull

Winter/Summer Social: Chair—Cindy Cosand, Michelle Tull, Brooke Cosand, Gin Aguinaga

Contact committee chairs or Gin Aguinaga at Graybar for more information.
COMMITTEES
FOR THE GREATER SIOUX FALLS CHAPTER OF NAWIC

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 in the newsletter.

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.

Calling Committee – Calls on members to see if they will be in attendance at meetings.

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 – Plans annual appreciation recognition to thank employers of our members for their support during the past year.

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.

PEP - Professional Education Programs – 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 – Distributes applications to the area schools and selects the chapter’s scholarship winners.

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

WIC Week – Plans activities to celebrate Women in Construction Week (held in March).

Winter and Summer Social – Plans the December and July meetings, which are casual social events.
Name: Katie Scheuer

Date joined NAWIC: April 2017

Company: Boen & Associates

How long have you worked there?
I started at Boen and Associates in April of 2017.

What is your title and what are your duties?
Account Executive – My primary function is to bring in new business as well as ensure our current clients have the correct coverage and risk management tools to.

List accomplishments you are especially proud of:
Since starting in the insurance industry in 2010, I have learned a lot and earned several awards through the International Association of Insurance Professionals as well as obtained my CISR and CIIP designations. Outside of work, I am very proud of my family and the time that I (we) spend volunteering.

What are your personal interests?
I love the following: Hanging out with my family, being at the lake, working out (except running😊), reading, listening to music, and traveling.

Tell us about special people in your life:
Nate is my husband and he is truly my other half, I couldn't do what I do without his unending love.
Rosie Olia (9) and Harvey Nathaniel (7) are my babies. They are the best little humans to ever walk this earth.
I have several other special people in my life, but the list would be 8 miles long if I started in on the remaining individuals that mean so much to me, so I will keep it short and sweet and just throw in my mom and dad as well. They are amazing.

How were you introduced to NAWIC?
I was introduced in a roundabout way by Gaila. She and Kevin in our office had a conversation about me prior to my starting at Boen. Day 2 of my employment, I went to my first meeting.

What is your favorite memory, committee, or area of interest in NAWIC?
I don’t want to commit to a favorite anything yet since I have only been a member for 2 months, but I’m looking forward to all that is to come!

What do you hope to gain from NAWIC?
Friendships, educational opportunities and great life experiences

Anything else you care to share?
Nothing in particular, I’m an open book, so if there is anything you would like to know, don’t hesitate to ask! 😊 I am looking forward to networking and meeting women with similar interests, as well as learning as much as I can about the construction industry to become a better employee, as well as a better person.
July 2017

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**Upcoming Events This Month**

- July 12, 2017 – Summer Social @ Country Orchards
- July 18, 2017 – Board Meeting @ Henry Carlson

**Industry Events – Save the Date**

- August 1, 2017 – SDACTE Conference, 9:00am – Brookings, SD

**Regional/National NAWIC Upcoming Events**

- August 15-19, 2017 Annual Meeting & Educational Conference – Anaheim, CA
- Oct 20-21, 2017 – Region Fall Conference – Cedar Rapids, IA

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**Our Chapter is officially a Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce Member!**

You are encouraged to attend Chamber events such as Ribbon Cuttings and Mixers!
Wear your NAWIC name badge to these events to promote NAWIC as a member!

- July Membership Mixer, Tuesday, June 11, 2017 4:30pm-6:30pm.
  Architecture Incorporated, 415 S. Main Ave, Sioux Falls, SD
Join us for the monthly Membership Mixer, featuring networking, food and beverages!
Sponsored by Architecture Incorporated.
Cost: $5 or use your Mixer Pass. RSVP: vwillson@siouxfalls.com.
2016 – 2017 Membership Meetings

This is the proposed schedule for our new year!
The PDE Committee is looking for new places to have meetings – please Karen Krietlow if you have suggestions!

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New Member Initiation:

Ashley Kimmel-Miller

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 calling committee 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 calling 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 #13: Reservations for dinner meetings are made through the Calling Committee. Any member who makes a reservation and does not cancel in sufficient time is responsible for paying half the cost of the dinner. The Chapter and/or hotel cannot guarantee dinner to any member who does not make a reservation for dinner but does attend.

RSVP’s are how we plan for a meeting. Please have the courtesy to reply to the RSVP email with a Yes or No by the deadline so we have an accurate count. Thanks for the cooperation on this!
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.
Golf Outing

1st Place - Interstates

2nd Place - Howalt McDowell