



Region 4 - NAWIC's Core! News & Information

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Core Purpose: To enhance the success of women in the construction industry

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Greetings from your Director!

June means election time in NAWIC! In addition to chapter elections being held across the country, ballots have been mailed to every member for casting a vote in deciding who our national officers will be for the 2008-2009 year. **Be sure your voice is heard!** Fill out your ballot and mail it back right away; no need to wait for the June 21 postmark deadline.

Are you going to convention? Check out all the information posted at www.nawic.org. You'll find hotel info, registration form, schedule of events, speaker previews, NEF review and testing details, credential forms and instructions and more. Need help convincing your employer to support your attendance? Download the letter from President Taylor which includes this line, "Investing in the women at your company is an investment in your company's future." Registration forms must be postmarked by July 7 in order to avoid late fees. Make your plans now!

I'll be watching my email for the announcements of chapter elections in our region and look forward to seeing new leaders stepping up to new challenges!

Christine

Meet your Director-Elect

Hello NAWIC TEAM,

The surveys are being returned. The feedback is wonderful. Have you sent yours to me yet? It is not too late. Planning of the next several months will be made based on the information received from your surveys.

The preliminary agenda for Convention has been posted on the NAWIC website. There are many activities and seminars planned. Opportunities to grow professionally and individually, to learn more about NAWIC, to share ideas, and to network are there for the taking. Hope you are planning to attend. If you can't and are interested in a seminar or other planned event, ask

Mark your Calendar for Region 4 Events:

TEAM NAWIC entries due:
July 1, 2008

Leadership Summit
August 2, 2008
Dayton, OH

National Convention
September 3-6, 2008
Flamingo
Las Vegas, Nevada

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someone from your Chapter or Region to pick up an available handout or have someone who was able to be there e-mail you what was discussed. Sharing is part of NAWIC.

APC being held in Columbus, Ohio on October 17th and 18th is being planned. Save those dates and watch for information by the first of July.

Take care,

Jan

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Membership

Mardi Gauer, CIT

Recognition, don't we all love recognition? This month I want to remind you about two different ways that individual members and chapters can be recognized for their recruiting efforts.

Every member who recruits three or more members will receive an attractive "Team NAWIC" pin at Convention in Las Vegas, Sept. 3-6. New members must be recruited between Aug. 1, 2007 and July 31, 2008. Plus there is always the goal of the coveted Red Rose Recruiter Jackets and the Founders' Trophy award. To get a Red Rose Jacket you must recruit eighteen (18) members in a three year period. The Founder's Trophy is given to the top recruiter in the country.

Chapters will be submitting their entries for the TEAM NAWIC contest to National Chairwoman Kim Cameron, CIT. Entries are to be submitted electronically by July 1st, 2008 directly to Kim at kmbrycmrn@bellsouth.net See the attached flyer and contest guidelines.

Any questions just drop me a line. I'll make up an answer.

Safety

Traci Hardin, CIT

Fire Safety and Emergency Action Planning

As we gear up for the Construction season, it is time for employers to review their responsibilities for fire safety and emergency action planning. The development and maintenance of an effective fire protection and emergency planning at the jobsite **throughout all phases** of the construction, repair, alteration, or demolition work should be considered. The employer shall ensure the availability of the fire protection and suppression equipment required by 1926 Subpart F (see 29 CFR 1926.24). These procedures should also be in place at the permanent place of employment. *(Per 1926.35(e)(3) The employer shall review with each employee upon initial assignment those parts of the plan, which the employee must know to protect the employee in the event of an emergency. The written plan shall be kept at the workplace and made available for employee review. For those employers with 10 or fewer employees the plan may be communicated orally to employees and the employer need not maintain a written plan.*

1926.35 (a) - The emergency action plan shall be in writing (except as provided in

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the last sentence of paragraph (e)(3) of this section) and shall cover those designated actions employers and employees must take to ensure employee safety from fire and other emergencies.

1926.35(b) – Elements shall include:

Emergency escape procedures and emergency escape route assignments; Procedures to be followed by employees who remain to operate critical plant operations before they evacuate; Procedures to account for all employees after emergency evacuation has been completed; Rescue and medical duties for those employees who are to perform them; The preferred means of reporting fires and other emergencies, including the names of persons or departments to be contacted for information or explanation of duties under the plan.

1926.35(c)(1) - The employer shall establish an employee alarm system, which complies with 1926.159. *(Note: If the employee alarm system is used for alerting fire brigade members, or for other purposes, a distinctive signal for each purpose shall be used).*

1926.35(d) - "Evacuation." The employer shall establish in the emergency action plan the types of evacuation to be used in emergency circumstances. *(Note: Before implementing the emergency action plan, the employer shall designate and train a sufficient number of persons to assist in the safe and orderly emergency evacuation of employees).*

1926.35(e)(2) - The employer shall review the plan with each employee covered by the plan at the following times; Initially when the plan is developed; Whenever the employee's responsibilities or designated actions under the plan change; and whenever the plan is changed.

Welcome New Members!

Cincinnati

Schuyler Murdock, CM-GC
Betty Owens, Ameridian Specialty Services
Toni Winston, Tuburon Const.

Cleveland

Cynthia Bender, CMR Holdings
Dawn Chuma, Gilbane Building Co.
Sue Sutkus, Gilbane Building Co.

Detroit

Melissa Cole, Johnson Controls
Julianne Klein, Johnson Controls
Barbara Lawrence, Johnson Controls
Jennifer Wagner, Johnson Controls

Grand Rapids

Heather Monroe, Construction News Service of Michigan

Indianapolis

Kimberly Wilson, A & M Door, Inc.

Lansing

Sagata Bhawani, Michigan State University

Bits & Pieces

National Officer Elections – Ballots will be mailed to all NAWIC members soon. Is your contact information correct in the national database? If not, you may not receive your ballot and thus miss the opportunity to help choose the leaders of our Association. To check your information visit www.nawic.org >Member Log In >Member Center >Update Your Info. While you're there, check to be sure all of your info is correct. Have you filled in the Company Trade, Occupation, and NAICS Code? This information helps other members find you! If you do not know your user name or password, email membership@nawic.org for assistance.

Candidates for the 2008-2009 NAWIC Officers are:

Robin Fulton Meyer, CIT – President-Elect

Debra M. Gregoire, CIT – Vice President (Region 4)

Judy DeWeese, CIT – Secretary

Cindy Johnsen, CDS, CIT – Treasurer

Christine Parsons, CDS, CIT – Treasurer (Region 4)

Online Bulletin Board – Have you taken a look at the bulletin board lately? You could be missing out! The national officer candidates are currently taking questions and other topics for discussion include convention and safety. Do you have a question or thought you'd like to post? Don't be shy, participate!

*Believe
in ourselves*

*Persevere
with the strength of our
convictions*

*Dare
to move into new horizons*

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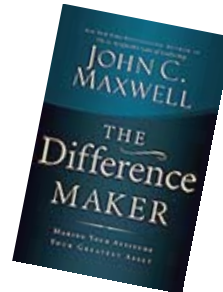
NAWIC Professional Book Club

AT CONVENTION

Saturday, September 6, 2008

10:45 am—12:00 pm

Order online at
www.injoy.com
or
A bookstore
near you



The Difference Maker By John C Maxwell

“The promise that attitude is everything is hollow. In fact, if you believe that attitude is everything, it may actually hurt you more than help you.”

John C Maxwell

Come join in a discussion of this eye opening book about something that can become your greatest asset in business and life. The NAWIC Professional Book Club is an opportunity to discuss with other members your thoughts and ideas about what this book says to you. It is not necessary to agree with everything in the book or everything that someone says about the book. You only have to respect everyone's opinion and their right to have that opinion.

“Attitude isn't everything, but it is one thing that can make a difference in your life.”

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