



Region 4 - NAWIC's Core!

Chapter Chatter

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

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Greetings from your Director!

Our chapters are always busy, and this month is no exception. Check out the news from around the region and see what's been going on!

Christine

Chapter News

AKRON - Our guest speaker for the April meeting was Lynn Shepherd. Ms. Shepherd offers "WOW Workshops for Savvy Women" she is a Life Coach and Certified Financial Planner. It was very informative meeting with 14 members and two guests present. Akron Chapter also participated in the "Meet and Greet" Night sponsored by Subcontractors Association of Northeast Ohio. This was a joint venture including the Professional Association of Comfort Contractors, NARI, NAWIC and Masonry Contractors Association of Northeast Ohio. Each association was given the opportunity to promote their association. This was a great opportunity to network with other associations, and makes them aware of NAWIC. FORUM was great, Thanks Detroit!

BLUEGRASS – The Bluegrass Chapter was treated to dinner and a tour of the new SuCasa Showroom organized by member Melani Fosson. SuCasa specializes in tile, kitchen cabinetry, hardware and plumbing fixtures. SuCasa owner Carrie Shields provided an interesting overview of new trends in tile and cabinetry. Member Cindy Hiens contributed the skills of her husband Wayne to the event. Wayne, who has been laying tile since he was 11 years old, gave us a hands-on demonstration including how to create a tile design and how to install it. He gave us some great tips on laying glass tile. Our thanks to members Melani and Cindy for coordinating this event. The food was delicious! One of the great benefits of NAWIC is the opportunity to learn from each other and the opportunity to promote our businesses to others in the construction industry. Members also finalized plans for MS. Fix-it and reported on events at Forum.

CINCINNATI – Cincinnati Chapter started April with a great project tour of the Crossroads Church. Bob Keppler of Turner Construction and Sue Landgrebe Crossroads owner's representative led us through

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Region 4 Events:**

Leadership Summit
August 2, 2008

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

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this exciting project and gave us a recap of the construction of the facility.

On April 12 & 13th Cincinnati had 8 members attend the Region 4 Forum 2008 in Detroit, Michigan. It was a great motivational and educational weekend. We were excited to bring home awards for Block Kids and Construction Industry as well as Leadership Certificates for Janice Urbanik and Jennifer Mangas.

On April 17th several members attended Fundraising Banquet for Living Hope Transitional Homes. This is one of our Community Project we are working on this year.

DAYTON – The Dayton Chapter has had many exciting events in the past month. We had a membership drive & chapter sponsor appreciation meeting. We have three new members since our membership drive meeting. Our chapter sponsors were very impressed with what we have done and the road we are on for our future.



We have also Partnered with the Dayton Builders Exchange. Both NAWC Chapter #85 & DBX are excited about our new venture. The DBX will be at our membership meeting in April to present the Partnering Agreement to our Chapter.

DETROIT – Congratulations and applause for a wonderful Forum!

EVANSVILLE – April was Industry Appreciation month for this chapter.

FORT WAYNE - Members toured the History Center at the April Membership Meeting. There was a lot of history and architecture to look at and all members learned a lot more about our community. The nominating committee will present their slate of officers at the May meeting. Tracey Bade, our New Leader Nominee attended her first Forum and we are all anxious to hear how much she enjoyed the weekend.

GRAND RAPIDS – In March members tested their knowledge of our industry with Construction Jeopardy, presented by member Aileen Leipprandt and Steve Stawski from Smith Haughey Rice & Roegge who specialize in construction law. April was a tour of the Lemmen Holton Cancer Pavilion.

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INDIANAPOLIS – Construction Industry Night was held to recognize construction companies involved and supportive of NAWIC, committed to employees, customers and education, and industry and community efforts. This chapter is also holding a Mentor A Girl In Construction (MAGIC) camp in June.

LANSING - The Lansing Chapter held their monthly meeting on April 9, 2008, at The Firm Restaurant. Prior to dinner and the business meeting, our members toured The Christman Company's new Headquarters Building, which is located in downtown Lansing across from the State Capitol. After an extensive 21-month historic rehabilitation, The Mutual Building, which was originally built in 1928, was rededicated as The Christman Building in 2008. It is a shining example of downtown revitalization, historic preservation and sustainable design. This circa 1928 building, which is on the National Register of Historic Buildings, was restored to its former glory and put back to work in a very contemporary way. We greatly enjoyed touring this magnificent structure. Ten of our members attended the Region 4 Forum in Detroit the weekend of April 11th-13th. Our Chapter is participating in the Michigan Construction Career Days event on April 15th-16th which will host approximately 2,000 middle and high school students from various schools around the State.

LORAIN CO. - Lorain County had a wonderful and very informative program on April 15th – "Today's Banking". This was a roundtable discussion with two of our banker members Linda Buehner, Lorain National Bank, Linda Kemp, First Merit Bank discussing personal, commercial lending and a guest from First Place Bank, Liz Schneider who talked about home mortgages. The members suggested that we continue this discussion at another meeting and it will be put on agenda. May is our 21st NAWIC anniversary. Our guest speaker will be Mike Powers of Edward Jones who will discuss "Investments in Today's Economy."



NORTHWEST INDIANA – April's Chapter Meeting for NWI Chapter #311 took us to Allied Waste in Crown Point, IN, a waste and recycling transfer center. Chapter Member Christy Carson's employer, Cambridge Companies, designs and builds facilities like this all over the US. We learned the process of how our garbage and recyclables get to the landfills and recycling centers. The Chapter learned how garbage routes are determined, how much a truck can hold before going back to home base to dump (approximately 400 stops before the truck is full!) and that every dump load is weight before it gets put in the main dumpster for transfer. We learned that recyclables are not sorted out (glass, plastic ECT) but is a single stream and all recyclables are truly recycled. Afterwards, the chapter members had dinner and Chapter meeting at Pranzini's Italian Restaurant.

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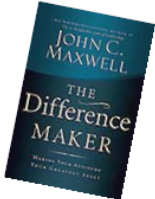
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to move into new horizons

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10:45 am—12:00 pm

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"Attitude isn't everything, but it is one thing that can make a difference in your life."
John C. Maxwell

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Welcome New Members!

Akron

Diane Burrowbridge, Cleveland State University

Bluegrass

Kimberly Erskine, Senninger Plumbing

Bowling Green – South Central Kentucky

Ronda Miller, M&L Electrical, Inc.

Cincinnati

Anne Lehmeyer, Allied Construction Industries

Cleveland

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Catherine Hattenbach, The Hattenbach Co.

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Karen Mathis, Architectural Maintenance Services

Denise Prikkel, Patriot Engineering & Environmental

Detroit

Akia Brown

Marilyn Lane, Roncelli, Inc.

Angelina Sacco, Roncelli, Inc.

Grand Rapids

Judy Van Dyken, Triangle Assoc.

Indianapolis

Deborah Oatts, Nubian Transport Management

Toledo

Julie Garand, Allied Waste Services

Northwest Indiana

Courtney Carstens, SBD Reprographics

Correction – Cleveland new member Jill Keppler is with Precision Environmental.

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