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August Membership Meeting Notice

Events Calendar

08/16 – Membership Meeting

08/27 – Joint Board Meeting

09/05- 08 – National Convention, Orlando, FL

09/20 – Membership Meeting/Officer installation @ Black Point Inn

10/01 – Board Meeting – Safeco

10/18 – Membership Meeting

10/19-20 Annual Planning Conference, Great Falls, MT

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NAWIC Guideline No. 4

Each Member has a standing dinner reservation for the monthly meeting, unless otherwise specifically arranged. If a reservation is not canceled by noon on Monday of the week of the meeting, the Member will be billed for the cost of the dinner.

Date: August 16, 2007
Thursday

Time: Registration/Social 5:30 pm
Dinner/Program: 6:00 pm

Location: Monarch Hotel & Conference Center
12566 SE 93rd Ave.
Clackamas, OR (503) 652-1515
I-206 at Sunnyside Rd/Sunnybrook Blvd. Exits

Cost: \$27.00

Menu: Spinach Salad w/Huckleberry Vinaigrette topped w/blue cheese; Chef's Rice; Seasonal Vegetable; Rolls w/butter; choice of Fillet of Salmon w/Lemon Butter or Chicken Tuscany (breaded Chicken Breast stuffed w/Prosciutto Ham & Fontina Cheese; Raspberry Silk Torte
Coffee, Tea, Decaf, Ice Tea, one can soda.
Alcoholic Beverages can be purchased at the Bar/Lounge and brought into meeting room.

Program: Francesca Beddow, Cadence Management Corporation "Project Management as a Certification"

Contact **Edie Bales** by noon, Aug. 13th, if you need to cancel your standing reservation, are bringing a guest, or if you are a permanent cancel and will attend. edibal@safeco.com or 503.697.0171 **Note:** Due to reservation commitments, a minimum of 48 hours cancellation notice

A Message from our President, Gloria Bruning

Hello everyone~

It's hard to believe summer is already winding down! My husband and I just returned from a trip to the Boston area where I attended a three-day surety software conference. The East Coast is an amazing place to visit – but the Pacific Northwest is where to live, huh?!

For those of you unable to attend our July meeting at Julie Puderbaugh's home, you missed a great time. Money was raised for NEF and we had a lot of fun doing that. In addition, stories shared by our members from Legacy Homes of their Extreme Home Makeover experience

were enjoyed by all.

Our chapter will have five members in attendance at our 2007 Annual Meeting (Convention) in Orlando, Florida. This year's program promises many educational opportunities along with networking, renewing friendships, etc. I am looking forward to joining Yasmine Branden, Barbara Freeman, Judy Redford and Erin Holmes at this event.

I hope to see you at our August membership meeting. Edie will be recruiting for 2007-08 committees. Make the most of your NAWIC membership by getting involved!

Gloria Bruning, President

Montana Bad Girls Ride Again



**NAWIC
Chapter 228
Region 9 Annual Planning Conference
Heritage Inn
Great Falls, Montana
October 20, 2007**

Look for more information & registration forms soon! Gloria, Judy and Anne may look sweet and innocent...but they already earned the Montana Bad Girl Title at the last event hosted by Great Falls. Come to APC and earn your right to be called a "Montana Bad Girl"!

Great time for a road trip to any one of a number of beautiful spots in the Northwest. Don't go unprotected. Be sure to have one of our Roadster Kits in the car! You'll never know when you'll need to check the air in your tires or ??? And of course you will want to look good, so be sure to wear a stylish NAWIC polo shirt! Grab your keys that are on a cool NAWIC key chain, get the kids in the car.... Oops, Kids...you'll want to keep them occupied and our Hardhat Stress Relievers will do the trick. Keep their little hands busy! For more information, contact Yasmine at : yasmine@usfamily.net or 503.701.5871

Roadster Set



Opportunity for all Chapter 54 Members!!

An opportunity like this comes around once a year! Do you hear it knocking? Are you a member who this year watched others and said "wish I had volunteered? Are you a member who did volunteer and had such a great time, want to do it again? Are you a member who said, "not me, let someone else do it"? Well, then you are just the member I'm looking for!

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED to ensure our chapter has another great year in 2007-2008! The new NAWIC year will be here before you know it. I'll be President and I need your help. I'm looking for committee chairs and members. As you see below, several slots have been taken, however some chair positions are still available and many committee member slots.

Julie Puderbaugh has done the Ways & Means Committee for 2 years now. This is the committee who organized our Golf Tournament. She has offered to mentor and be a committee member if someone will step up and chair....quite an opportunity for some lucky member!

Committees for 2007- 2008

Finance: This committee consists of outgoing & incoming President and Treasurer
Edie Bales, Gloria Bruning, Erin Holmes & Helen Newcomb

Construction Industry: Primary responsibility of this committee is to encourage the chapter to participate in and sponsor activities that directly benefit the construction industry and provide positive recognition for the industry within the community.

Chair: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

Professional Education: Develop programs & projects for members. This committee will set the monthly membership meeting locations, menu and the program (speaker, etc) for each meeting.

Co-Chairs: **Jodie Guthrie & Nancy Oswald** **Committee Members:** _____

Audit: This committee audits the chapter finances

Chair: Evelyn Stratton

Ways & Means: This committee will be responsible for our chapter fundraiser. (Golf Tournament). We need a Chair and many committee members

Chair: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

Badges & Attendance: This committee does registration of members & guests at our monthly membership meeting. Hands out and collects members badges. Gives report of members & guests present.

Chair: Rosalie Hayward **Committee Members:** Evelyn Stratton

Block Kids: Our annual event for grade school children, who are given a certain number of Lego's, & things and told to create something. Their work is judged by NAWIC members & other Construction Industry people. Prizes are awarded.

Chair: **Judy Redford** **Committee Members:** **Bonnie Riddle**

Bylaws: This committee is responsible for keeping our chapter & national bylaws current

Evelyn Stratton

CAD: Our High School event. Held at the Schellenberg Center in Milwaukie. The program this year is to design a dental office. The students projects are judged by professionals and prizes awarded

Chair: Sherri McCurdy (Please, I hope!) **Committee Members:** _____

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Committee Opportunities Continued!

Chapter Sales & Raffle: Responsible for selling various items (Roadster Kit, Vests, etc) for Chapter. Also does raffle at monthly membership meetings to earn money for NEF.

Chair: **Barbara Freeman** **Committee Members:** _____

Membership: Responsible for promoting membership. Sending NAWIC information & registration packets to prospective members:

Chair: **Betty Spencer** **Committee Members:** _____

Safety Committee: Responsible for keeping Chapter members current on safety issues.

Chair: **Amber Cook** **Committee Members:** _____

Newsletter: Publishes monthly chapter newsletter. Distributes to Portland Members, Region 9 Director, all Region 9 Chapter Presidents and list of prospective NAWIC members and those interested in what's going on!

Chair: **Gloria Bruning** **Committee Members:** _____

Public Relations: Sends press releases to various publications regarding Chapter activities

Chair: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

Scholarship: Liaison with Clackamas Community College for our Endowment Fund.

Chair: **Barbara Freeman** **Committee Members:** _____

WIC Week: Responsible for planning celebration of WIC Week in March. National gives various ideas and help

Chair: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

Web Site: Responsible for keeping Website current. Currently working with our Webmaster, Darlene. If some one is interested in taking this over, let me know. Otherwise I'll continue and hopefully do a better job of keeping it current!

Oregon Retreat: This is a unique event to Oregon. The Oregon Chapters, Portland, Salem & Eugene get together every year for fun. Event is usually held on the coast. Friday evening is registration & social time, Saturday is fun events. The hosting chapter picks a theme, and each chapter then picks an activity related to the theme that we all do. It's a great time for meeting the other Oregon members, relaxing and having a great time. This coming year Portland is responsible for hosting the event. We pick the location and make arrangements with the hotel, pick a theme, send out registration notices to the other chapters.

Chair: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

Remember you can join any committee anytime and help out. As I find with NAWIC, I get much more back than what I put in and you make some life long friends .

Please don't hesitate to chair or join a committee, you will get help when you need it!

I'll also be bringing a sign up sheet to the August & September meetings....unless it's full before!

*Thank you,
Edie*