

# Constructively Speaking

National Association of Women in Construction Portland Chapter 54  
Established in 1961

## August 2009

### Events Calendar

August 26-29th:  
National Convention  
Phoenix, AZ

September 7th:  
Joint Board Meeting  
Safeco

September 17th:  
Membership Meeting  
Installation!  
Elephants

October 5th:  
Board Meeting  
TBD

### Highlights

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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.

## August Membership Meeting Notice

**Date:** Thursday, August 20, 2009  
5:30 p.m. registration begins  
6:00 p.m dinner is served

**Location:** Elephants Garden Party Room  
115 NW 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
Portland, OR 97210

**Cost:** \$25.00

**Menu:** Tomato & Cucumber Salad  
Chicken Rustica with Moroccan Couscous  
French Bread and Butter  
Seasonal Fruit Tartlet  
Coffee and Hot Tea

**Program:** **It's All About Safety** presented by **Tony Barsotti**  
See page two for details.

*RSVP: Edie Bales (503) 697-0171 or email: edith.bales@libertymutual.com by noon, Monday, August 17th if you need to cancel your standing reservation, are bringing a guest, or if you are a permanent cancel and will attend. Note: A minimum of 48 hours cancellation notice is required or you will be invoiced.*

## A Message from our President, Lauren Holmes

Summer is in full swing, and it has been hot, hot, hot!!! I hope all of you are staying cool and looking at the bright side of the ridiculous heat wave!

Our bunco party was a blast. The weather was perfect and everyone enjoyed the game. Carol Helms was the overall winner of the night with the most wins, and Erin Holmes took home the title of the most buncos. The winning will be distributed at our August meeting, so make sure you are there to collect.

This month we are having our "Safety Topic" meeting and will be at Elephants again! It should be an excellent meeting and it will be my last. Next month, in September we will have the installation ceremony for our incoming president Dalene. Get in contact with her if you are still looking for a committee to sign up for, she is still looking for enthusiastic members to chair and participate!

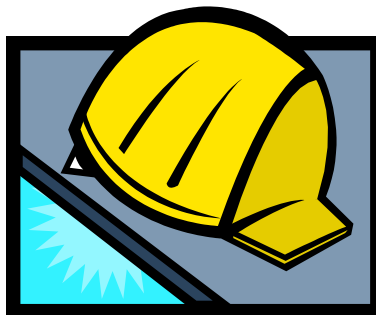
Our August meeting topic is **SAFETY** ....

**Tony Barsotti is Temp-Control Mechanical's Corporate Safety Professional. Tony has a parallel career path with over 20 years experience as a pipefitter and 30 years experience in construction safety and health. He has a B.Sc. from Portland State University and a Masters degree in organizational communication from Marylhurst University.**

**Tony is on the Board of the Greater Portland Construction Partnership, Oregon's Board of Boiler Rules and OR-OSHA's Construction Advisory Committee. Tony is a Certified Safety Professional and an Associate in Risk Management.**

**Mr. Barsotti's presentation will discuss many safety-related issues including exposure to falls on roofs which has been a challenge to construction and maintenance contractors and their employees. OSHA requires employers to protect their employees from falls but does not provide solutions when the design of the structure has not considered these exposures. Mr. Barsotti will discuss an effort by the OR-OSHA Construction Advisory Committee to amend the Oregon Structural Specialty Code to require adequate parapets, guardrails or anchorages to address fall exposures on roof tops. It is a fairly unique approach, in spite of the fact that the building codes are essentially safety codes.**

**Most safety professionals think in terms of OSHA regulations but in reality there are a range of regulatory requirements related to safety (in construction as well as general industry) as well as consensus standards. This presentation will offer a perspective on how interdependent these regulations and codes are while exploring the different political challenges while trying to effect industry change.**



# EVENTS & ITEMS OF INTEREST



## **ASPE - Columbia Pacific Chapter 54** (American Society of Professional Estimators)

For information on ASPE Meetings and events, please visit their website at:

<http://www.aspeportland.org>

To make reservations for their meetings visit:

<http://www.aspeportland.org/Reservation.asp>  
Questions: Curt Kolar, 503.368.8291

## **NAWIC UPCOMING EVENTS!**

**August 26-29, 2009**  
National Convention  
Phoenix, Arizona

**October 16-17, 2009**  
Annual Planning Conference  
RiverPlace Marriott  
Portland, Oregon

## **National Kitchen & Bath Association NKBA Columbia River Chapter**

In an effort to keep you connected with all of the latest events, news and information in the kitchen and bath industry, please visit:  
<http://www.nkba.org>



## **NAWIC Member Services**

If traveling, obtaining a publication subscription, business services or other special services don't forget that several companies offer NAWIC Members discounts on their services. See NAWIC Image or National Website <http://www.nawic.org>.



## NAWIC CHAPTER 54 - Milestones & Interesting Facts!

### NAWIC Links

NAWIC Portland Chapter 54  
[www.nawicportland54.org](http://www.nawicportland54.org)

NAWIC Region 9  
[www.nawicregion9.org](http://www.nawicregion9.org)

NAWIC National  
[www.nawic.org](http://www.nawic.org)

NEF  
[www.nawiceducation.org](http://www.nawiceducation.org)



### Anniversaries

#### Birthdays

Marilyn Morrison  
August 4

Amanda Wilson  
August 8th



Get involved with your chapter's activities  
by joining or chairing a committee next year!

Contact incoming president Dalene Schafer @  
[dalene.schafer@psiusa.com](mailto:dalene.schafer@psiusa.com)

### WEB SITE SPONSORS WANTED!!

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Contact Edie Bales @ [edibal@safeco.com](mailto:edibal@safeco.com) or 503-697-0171

Visit us at: <http://www.nawicportland54.org>

## 2008- 2009 Officers, Directors & Committees



### Core Values:

- **Believe in ourselves as women**
- **Persevere with the strength of our convictions**
- **Dare to move into new horizons**

### Core Purpose:

**To enhance the success of women in the Construction Industry.**

### We're on the Web!

See us at:

[www.nawicportland54.org](http://www.nawicportland54.org)

President	Lauren Holmes
President Elect	Dalene Schafer
Vice President	Carol Helms
Treasurer	Erin Holmes
Recording Secretary	Marilyn Morrison
Corresponding Secretary	Christina Fell
Directors	Gloria Bruning, Amber Cook, Betty Oden, Julie Puderbaugh
Immediate Past President	Edie Bales

### Committees

**Finance:** Lauren Holmes\*, Edie Bales, Erin Holmes, Evelyn Stratton

**Membership:** Betty Oden\*, Edie Bales, Evelyn Stratton-membership manual

**Construction Profession & Education:** Marilyn Morrison\*, Dalene Schafer\*, Gloria Bruning, Amanda Wilson

**Audit:** Evelyn Stratton\*

**Ways & Means:** Julie Puderbaugh\*, Edie Bales, Gloria Bruning, Lauren Holmes, Betty Oden, Betty Wollam

**Badges & Attendance:** Erin Holmes\*, Evelyn Stratton

**Block Kids:** Carol Helms\*, Betty Spencer, Betty Wollam

**Bylaws:** Evelyn Stratton\*

**CAD:** Erin Holmes\*, Edie Bales, Sherri McCurdy

**Chapter Sales & Raffle:** Edie Bales\*, Barbara Freeman

**Newsletter:** Gloria Bruning\*

**Public Relations:** Betty Spencer\*

**Safety:** Amber Cook\*

**Scholarship:** Barbara Freeman\*, Gloria Bruning

**WIC Week:** Edie Bales\*, Carol Helms, Gloria Bruning

**Website:** Edie Bales\*, Darlene Marquardt, Webmaster

\* designates "chair" or "co-chair"

*The success of our chapter depends upon our members' participation. If you don't see your name above, it's not too late to join as a committee member. Thank you to all who have volunteered for these positions. ~Lauren Holmes*