



# Constructively Speaking

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Portland Chapter 54 *Established in 1961*

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## March Membership Meeting Notice

### Events Calendar

03/04-10 - WIC Week

03/15 - Membership Meeting @ Wilf's

04/02 - Board Meeting @ Anchor Ins.

04/19 - Membership Meeting

05/07 - Board Meeting @ Anchor Ins.

05/17-20/ 2007 - Region 9 Forum, Boise

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**Date:** March 15, 2007  
Thursday

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

**Location:** Wilf's Restaurant 503.223.0070  
800 NW 6<sup>th</sup> (Located in Union Station by Broadway Bridge)  
Portland, OR (Parking in space other than a Wilf's designated spot will result in ticket if you do not pay ahead)

**Cost:** \$25.00 (Includes meal, coffee & tea. Soda & alcohol may be purchased at your own expense.)

**Dinner:** Pork Loin Medallions stuffed with roasted shallots & rosemary & wild mushroom sauce. Green Salad with vanilla bean vinaigrette. Stir fry vegetables, Rice or potatoe dish, Bread. Coffee or Tea

**Program:** WIC Week – Celebrating National Women in Construction week. [See State of Oregon & City of Portland Proclamations!](#)

Contact [Edie Bales](#) by noon, Mar. 12th, 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](mailto:edibal@safeco.com) or 503.697.0171 Note: Due to reservation commitments, a minimum of 48 hours cancellation notice is required or you will be invoiced.

## A Message from our President, Gloria Bruning

Hello all~

I'm sorry to have missed our February meeting. I understand Lauren Holmes' job tour went well ~ and dinner was great! My thanks to Bonnie Riddle for stepping in for me.

Congratulations to our chapter WIC nominees: Lauren Holmes, Future Leader of the Year; Edie Bales, WIC of the Year; and Rosalie Hayward, Lifetime Achievement. The winner for each category will be announced at Region 9 Forum in May.

With our successful Block Kids event behind us, we're now looking forward to

our CAD competition. Please make plans to attend our April meeting where we will have the opportunity to meet instructor Nancy Merchant and the winning student.

Come celebrate WIC week with us and enjoy the program Anne Wagner and her committee have prepared.

Gloria Bruning



### 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.

## Building NAWIC, Building Yourself

I would like to join the Boise Chapter in inviting you to the Region 9 Annual Forum on May 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007. We will be hearing inspirational and motivational stories from the base camp of Mount Everest, and what it is like working as a contractor in the Iraq war zone. You should renew your CPR card each year and we are giving you the opportunity to do so, as well as to learn about the use of the Automated External Defibrillator and what is new in first aid. The Boise Police Department will be coming to talk about drugs in the workplace. Attendees will also receive a certificate for Facilitator Training, and learn about effective communication. Most importantly, be there to help decide who will be YOUR next Region 9 Director!

Look forward to seeing you in Boise in May!

Pam Wright, CIT  
Region 9 Director

Visit <http://nawicboise.org/Forum.html> for more information & updates or contact Carrie Van Houten at [cvanhouten@csdinconstruction.com](mailto:cvanhouten@csdinconstruction.com) 208.338.5973 to learn more.

## Chapter Sales!

**Do you have your keys on one of NAWIC's Classic Keychains? The price is right and they are guaranteed to keep you level if used properly!**

**Roadster Sets...what a great idea! Buy one for a friend and don't forget one for yourself!**

**Every well dressed Nawician should have a NAWIC Polo & Vest?**

**Throw out those little happy pills the Dr. gave you for stress... For a small price you can get yourself a rubber NAWIC Hardhat Stress Ball. A few squeezes and you'll feel better.**

**For more information, contact Yasmine at : [yasmine@usfamily.net](mailto:yasmine@usfamily.net) or 503.701.5871**



**Black Polo Shirt  
Stress Hats  
Key Chains**



**Polo Shirt**



**Vest**



**Roadster Set**

**Congratulations to Portland Chapter 54  
Future Leader, WIC of the Year and Lifetime Achievement  
Award Winners!**

**Future Leader - Lauren Holmes**

**WIC of the Year – Edie Bales**

**Lifetime Achievement – Rosalie Hayward**

These ladies names will now be submitted to Region 9 along with the winners from the other chapters in our Region. They will be receive points for: Attendance at chapter meetings and functions; region and national events, APC, Forum, Convention; chapter activities/committees/participation in local construction related activities

**We hope our Chapter comes away with the Region 9 titles!**

**Block Kids 2007!**

Our Chapter Block Kids Competition was held February 9<sup>th</sup> at Martin Luther King Elementary School in Vancouver, WA. There were 44 students participating. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was **Annetta Cardin** who is in 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Annetta's design was a homeless shelter. She received a \$75 gift certificate to Barnes & Noble. 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to Samantha Washington and 3<sup>rd</sup> place to Van Vo, who are both in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Samantha received a \$50 Barnes & Noble gift card and Van received a \$25 gift certificate to Barnes & Noble.

A special thanks to our judges this year: Molly VanOostrum; Amber White, DJC Design Editor; Bob Harrison, Harrison's Estimating, Corey Lohman, Emerick Construction; Christina Fell, Emerick Construction; Sally Colon, American Dental Services; Sherry Jacobs, Trucking Company; Gloria Bruning, Anchor Ins. & Surety, Inc.; Leanne Cheung, Berg Electric. Stephanie Basalyga, Commerce Magazine Editor took photos. Also a special thanks to Bonnie Riddle, NAWIC Chapter Block Kids Chair, Emilie Riddle and Michelle Patteauw.



**Annetta Cardin**



**Annetta's Homeless Shelter**





## **Golf Tournament Fundraiser!**

**“Not Just for Girls Tournament”**

**When: Friday, June 8, 2007**  
**Registration – Driving Range & Practice Green Open: 10:30 am**  
**Shotgun Start: 12:00 pm**  
**BBQ Steak Dinner 4:30 pm**  
**Awards & Raffle: 5:30 pm**  
**Where: Meriwether National Golf Course**  
**5200 SW Rood Br. Rd., Hillsboro, OR**

This is our Chapter annual fundraiser. We depend on funds raised each year to carry out our educational efforts. We are looking for sponsors and participants. For more information on sponsorship, please ask for a flyer.

If you, or you know of someone who would be interested in sponsoring or participating, please contact Julie Puderbaugh at Coffman Excavation 503.656.0686 or [jpuderbaugh@coffmanteam.co](mailto:jpuderbaugh@coffmanteam.co) Members, we are also looking for volunteers to help with the event.

### **2007 Women in Trades Career Fair**

Student Days - May 3 & 4, Open to all - May 5, 2007

Where: NECA/IBEW Electrical Training Center  
 16021 NE Airport Way  
 Portland, OR

Interactive, trades related career fair serving 2,000 youth and adults.

Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. are looking for Sponsors, Exhibit Hosts, someone to Lead a Workshop and Volunteers and people to attend. If interested, please contact them at 503.335.8200 X21 or [fair@tradeswomen.net](mailto:fair@tradeswomen.net) Oregon Tradeswomen - [www.tradeswomen.net](http://www.tradeswomen.net)

### **CAD Competition**

Once again our chapter CAD competition is being held at the Schellenberg Center in Milwaukie. Students from Milwaukie, Clackamas and Rex Putnum attend CAD class their.

We anticipate around 25 students will have entries. Judging will be held on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

We are inviting Nancy Merchant, Schellenberg CAD Instructor, and the winner of our 2007 competition to attend our April Membership Meeting. You will have an opportunity to hear from both and see our winners entry!

### **Region 9 Membership Contest!**

Remember, with every new member, Chris Jett (Regional Membership Chair) will personally put \$5 in the pot.

The donation will be split between:

- The Chapter with the highest % of retention
- The individual with the highest number of recruits

**Donations Will be made towards** the Chapter's / Member's Ladder Club pin by our humble Region 9 Membership Chair...**Chris Jett!**

Contest dates 10/1/06 through 9/31/07

*Awards presented at APC 07*

Final contest awards will be based on NAWIC national membership reporting

*Welcome back, **Connie Ashbrook!** Connie is the Executive Director of Oregon Tradeswomen, Inc. She is a former NAWIC Crystal Vision award winner and a former Chapter 54 member. She has joined NAWIC Chapter 54 again!!*