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

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Events Calendar

- 02/15 - Membership Meeting @ Old Spaghetti Factory
- 03/05 Board Meeting @ Anchor Ins.
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- 05/17-20/ 2007 - Region 9 Forum, Boise

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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.

February Membership Meeting Notice

Date: February 15, 2007 **Time:** Around 6:30pm after RiverEast Thursday

Location: Old Spaghetti Factory 503.222.5375
0715 SW Bancroft (off of Macadam Ave. towards river)
Portland, OR

Cost: \$20.00 (Includes meal choice, dessert, coffee, tea, ice tea, soda or milk. Alcohol beverages at your additional cost)

Dinner: Meal Choice: Chicken Marsala, Spaghetti w/choice of either Mushroom Sauce or Mizithra Cheese or Baked Lasagna.

Program: Site Visit, RiverEast Center Project – Lauren Holmes, Project Engineer for Howard S. Wright Constructors. **Please See Page 2 for details- Location, time to meet, clothing, etc.**

Contact **Edie Bales** by noon, Feb.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 is required or you will be invoiced.

A Message from our President, Gloria Bruning

.Hello everyone~

I'm so sorry we missed our January meeting! Unfortunately, the possibility of icy road conditions were such that we felt it was in everyone's best interest to go ahead and cancel the meeting.

The meeting this month will combine both January's program along with the job site tour. I hope most of you will be able to attend. Lauren Holmes has put together a great program that I'm certain you'll not want to miss.

Our February board meeting was well attended this week. Highlights of the meeting included final plans for Block Kids this coming Friday; an update on the CAD competition as well as our upcoming golf tournament.

Nominations for Future Leader, WIC of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Awards are due April 1st. Descriptions of these awards as well as the judging criteria can be found in the current issue of

our newsletter. Please review and be thinking about who you might want to nominate at the February meeting.

Oregon Retreat will be held Saturday, February 10th. Currently we have five members registered to attend: Judy Redford, Shelley Richards, Edie Bales, Barbara Freeman and I. The retreat theme is Construction Etiquette. Each Oregon chapter is to prepare and present a skit on this topic. My sincere thanks to Barbara for stepping up and providing the material for our 45-minute segment of the program.

In March we are celebrating WIC week. Anne Wagner and her committee will be providing an excellent program that will include a bit of history on our chapter as well as highlighting the successes of a couple of our own chapter members.

I will be in St. Louis, Missouri attending a surety software seminar and will miss seeing you at our February meeting.

The RiverEast Center Site Visit Details & Information - February

Lauren Holmes, the Project Engineer for Howard S. Wright Constructors on the RiverEast Center project. The RiverEast Center is a renovation of an abandoned warehouse built in the 1950's previously known as the Hollman Building, which is located at the corner of SE Clay St & SE Water Ave. The building will be turned over in late March/ early April with 99,533 SF and 4.8 acres on the eastside esplanade.

Time: 5:30 pm, February 15th

Location: 1515 SE Water Ave (between Hawthorne Bridge & OMSI) Entrance to site is just south of SE Clay St. Meet inside the job trailer, located at the NW corner of the site, between the river and the building. Parking available in front to job trailer.

Dress: *NO Open toe shoes.* If you have a hard hat & safety glasses, bring them. You may also want to bring a coat (temporary heat = 55-60 degrees inside)

Valentine Day Special!

Looking for something that tells that special someone in your life how much they mean to you. A gift that just shouts out "I love you!" "You are important to me!" Yasmine has a selection of items that say all that and more! Chocolate & Flowers are overrated. Be unique, give your special person one of our Roadster Sets! What's more romantic than meeting that special someone for dinner dressed in a NAWIC Polo & Vest? Hand that special person a Valentine Red NAWIC Key chain with the key to your room on it. Nervous about the evening, get yourself a rubber NAWIC Hardhat Stress Ball. A few squeezes and you'll feel better. Roadster Sets! You will have a Valentine Day to remember...it's almost a guarantee!

For more information, contact Yasmine at : yasmine@usfamily.net or 503.701.5871



**Black Polo Shirt
Stress Hats
Key Chains**



Polo Shirt



Vest



Roadster Set

Future Leader, WIC of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Award Information

*Description of these awards and judging criteria are listed below. Each chapter nominates one person for each award. The Chapter President then writes an essay for each nominee. **Members, please review and be thinking of who you would like to nominate from our chapter at the February meeting!***

Each member may want to brush up on all their NAWIC involvement. Chapter members may want you to let us know what you've done in NAWIC, that would rack up the points before they vote for you!

Future Leader Recognition/Region 9

Criteria: Any active member that has joined since January 2005.

Chapter 54 eligible members are: Hollie Erickson, Erin Holmes, Lauren Holmes, Joy Kyllingmark, Leanne LeGare, Betty Spencer, Melanie Stewart

Points are awarded for: Attendance at chapter meetings and functions; region and national events, APC, Forum, Convention; chapter activities/committees/participation in local construction related activities

WIC of the Year/Region 9

This is a new award designed to recognize any active chapter member for their activities within a one year period. All active chapter members are eligible. Points are awarded as indicated under the Future Leader Recognition above.

Lifetime Achievement Award/Region 9

All active chapter members are eligible – with the exception of previous WIC of the Year Winners. We have had two people receive this award in the past, Evelyn Stratton and Yasmine Branden. They would not be eligible.

Points are awarded as indicated under Future Leader Recognition above.

2007 Women in Trades Career Fair

Student Days - May 3 & 4, 2007 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 Oregon Tradeswomen - www.tradeswomen.net



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 see attached 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 Members, we are also looking for volunteers to help with the event.

Crystal Vision Awards

The Crystal Vision Awards program celebrates the achievements of individuals who have a clear vision for women in construction. NAWIC invites you to reach out to the entire construction industry by nominating individuals. They can be NAWIC members or non-members. The winner will be honored at NAWIC's 52nd Annual Meeting and Convention in Orlando, FL in September.

For information, please go to www.nawic.org. Nominations must be received at the NAWIC national office by February 28, 2007.

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 4th.

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

Block Kids Competition being held Friday, February 9th! Watch the March Newsletter for write up of the event!

EVENTS & Things 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 Region 9 Forum 2007

Annual Spring Forum will be held in Boise, ID on May 18th & 19th at the Doubletree Riverside Hotel.

This is a great event. You will meet old friends and new members from all the NAWIC Region 9 Chapters. Start shopping now for good airfares...or consider driving!

See <http://www.nawicboise.org/Forum.htm> for more information.

Oregon Governor's Occupational Safety & Health Conference

March 12-15th, Salem OR

Registration fees range from \$95 for one day to \$275 for all four days.

For additional information contact:
www.orosha.org/conferences or oregon.gosh@sate.or.us or contact Oregon GOSH Conference, PO Box 5640 Salem, OR 97304 503.378.3272 or 888.292.5247 option 1

NAWIC UPCOMING EVENTS!

May 17-20, 2007 - Region 9 Forum, Boise, ID

June 8, 2007 - Golf Tournament – Chapter 54 annual fundraiser

Sept. 2007 – National Convention, Orlando FL

Oct. 2007 - Region 9 Annual Planning Conference, Great Falls, MT

April 25, 2008 – Region 9 Forum, Anchorage,

**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>.

*Quote of the Day: Mary Cholmondeley
Every year I live I am more convinced that the waste of life lies in the love we have not given, the powers we have not used, the selfish prudence that will risk nothing, and which shirking pain, misses happiness as well. No one ever yet was the poorer in the long run for having once in a lifetime let out all the length of all the reins.*



NAWIC CHAPTER 54 - Milestones & Interesting Facts!

NAWIC Links

NAWIC Portland Chapter 54
www.nawicportland54.org

NAWIC Region 9
www.nawicregion9.org

NAWIC National
www.nawic.org

NEF
www.nawiceducation.org

NAWIC Eugene Chapter 77
www.nawiceugene.com

February Anniversaries!



Julie Puderbaugh
 19 years!

Bonnie Riddle
 6 years

Betty Spencer
 2 years

February Birthdays



Betty Spencer - 2/27

Jobs – Help Wanted

CH2M Hill - Looking for an Estimator, Construction Manager, Scheduler. For further information contact Jeff Selby at 503.872.4529 or Jeffrey.Selby@ch2m.com

Salem Chapter #198 -Construction Career Day April 24, 2007

Our NAWIC Sisters in Salem are will be sponsoring with ODOT/The Mid-Willamette Education Consortium/Chemawa Indian School and others on **Tuesday, APRIL 24, 2007**. They are looking for sponsor \$\$ and participants. Many more Construction Companies, Engineering/Architectural Firms & volunteers are needed. Visit <http://www.ccdinsalem.us/> to view a video of last years event.

To find out more or to volunteer, contact Chick Sadowski at 503.362.2711 or Chick@agsadowski.com

WEB SITE SPONSORS WANTED!!

ONLY \$25!!!

What a great opportunity to get your name and or company on one of the greatest Web Sites in the world! Millions of people have an opportunity to look at NAWIC Portland Chapter 54 Web Site! For only \$25, we will reproduce your business card, put your name & company name with a link to your web site on ours for an entire year! Don't let this opportunity pass you by. Contact Edie Bales at edibal@safeco.com or 603.697.0171 for details. Visit us at <http://www.nawicportland54.org>

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The following companies have generously agreed to support our 2006 Golf Tournament. NAWIC Portland Chapter 54 thanks them and encourages you to use their services.

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If you would like to become a Sponsor, please contact Edie Bales at 503.697.0171 or edibal@safeco.com.

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Portland #54 – Gloria Bruning
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Eugene #77 – Ellie Cooper
 Spokane #143 – Kris Nowell
 Tacoma #187 – Kelly Milstead
 Tri Cities #192 – Cathy Brady
 Alaska #197 – Misty Dawn Crim
 Salem #198 – Nancy Carter
 Great Falls #228 – Katie Hanning
 Boise #245 – Ruth Fritts
 Yakima #279 – Sherrie Connell

Portland Chapter 54 2006-2007 Officers and Directors and 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

President	<i>Gloria Bruning</i>
President Elect	<i>Edie Bales</i>
Vice President	<i>Bonnie Riddle</i>
Treasurer	<i>Helen Newcomb</i>
Recording Secretary	<i>Lauren Holmes</i>
Corresponding Secretary	<i>Erin Holmes</i>
Directors	<i>Julie Puderbaugh, Betty Spencer, Melanie Stewart, Judy Redford</i>
Parliamentarian	<i>Yasmine Branden</i>
Immediate Past President	<i>Shelley Richards</i>

Committees

Finance: *Gloria Bruning, Shelley Richards, Helen Newcomb, Evelyn Stratton*

Construction Industry: *Judy Redford, Helen Newcomb, Edie Bales*

Membership: *Julie Puderbaugh and Betty Spencer, Co-Chairs; Amber Cook, Bonnie Riddle, Evelyn Stratton – Membership Roster*

Professional Education: *Lauren Holmes, Joy Kylingmark, Erin Holmes, Glenda Nabors, Melanie Stewart, Hollie Erickson, Judy Redford, Evelyn Stratton, (Reservations Only)*

Audit: *Evelyn Stratton*

Ways & Means: *Julie Puderbaugh, Chair of Golf Tournament; Helen Newcomb, Amber Cook, Mary Ann Berg, Edie Bales*

Badges & Attendance: *Rosalie Hayward, Chair; Evelyn Stratton*

Block Kids: *Bonnie Riddle, Chair; Betty Spencer, Helen Newcomb, Amber Cook, Leanne Cheung, Shelley Richards, Betty Wollam, Judy Redford*

Bylaws: *Evelyn Stratton, Chair*

CAD: *Sherri McCurdy, Chair; Edie Bales*

Chapter Sales: *Yasmine Branden, Chair; Betty Spencer*

Chapter Raffle: *Bonnie Riddle*

Newsletter: *Edie Bales, Chair*

Public Relations,: *Yasmine Branden, Betty Spencer*

Scholarship: *Shelley Richards, Chair*

WIC Week: *Anne Wagner and Shelley Richards*

Web Site: *Edie Bales, Chair; Darlene Marquardt, Webmaster*