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Portland Chapter 54 *Established in 1961*

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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.

July Membership Meeting Notice

Date: July 19th **Time:** 5:30pm Until around 8pm
Thursday

Location: Julie Puderbaugh's Home – Oregon City
15022 S Highland Rd., Oregon City, OR
503.650.8028

Directions: Take I-205 to Hwy 213 Exit in Oregon City. Get in left lane and take a left at the first light, Clackamas River Dr. (Home Depoe to your right.) Go about 2 (long) blocks to Forsythe Rd. and turn right. Wind up the hill to Serres Farms on the right. The road makes a sharp left As it starts to take a sharp right, you will see Highland Rd straight in front of you. Follow Highland Rd. to the end. Julie's home is through the green gates.

Cost: \$25.00 Includes Dinner & fee into Bunco

Program: Short NAWIC Orientation
Then "Bunco NEF Fundraiser"

Note: If you have a folding card table and/or chairs you could bring, please let Judy Redford know. judy@cw1.com or 503.973.5832

Contact **Edie Bales** by noon, July 16th, 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

Greetings~

I hope you all had a safe and festive Fourth of July!

Our program this month will include an overview of NAWIC programs and committee functions. Judy Redford's recent email gives me only five minutes to "get 'er done" so I'll do my best! This will be an opportunity for newer members to learn more about all that NAWIC has to offer. Our thanks to Julie Puderbaugh for inviting us to her home for the July meeting.

Please be thinking about how you'd like to be

involved in our chapter activities for the upcoming 2007-08 year. Our incoming president, Edie Bales, will have many committee positions available.

Plans for our August meeting are still in progress. We'll be getting an announcement to you as soon as details are known.

Gloria Bruning
Chapter 54 President



Welcome to our New Chapter 54 Member!**Kathi Ott****Kathi is with Legend Homes. We are happy to have her join the chapter!****Possible New Oregon Chapter!**

Our National office was contacted recently by an individual in Medford who is interested in starting a Southern Oregon NAWIC Chapter. National referred her to Pam Wright & Yasmine Branden (current Region 9 Director and incoming Region 9 Director) They will be in touch with this person with the necessary requirements. They will need an Oregon chapter to sponsor them, and what better chapter to do it than Portland! Stay tuned for more!

Your National 2007-2008 Officers!

The elections are over, ballots tallied... and we are please to announce your NAWIC National officers for the 2007-2008 year are:

President Elect - Pat McDonald, CIT**Vice President – Robin Fulton Meyer, CIT****Secretary – Judy DeWeese, CIT****Treasurer – Debra Gregoire, CIT**

And of course we are pleased to have our very own Region 9

President – Tamie Taylor, CDT, CIT

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! You can also keep several up front to toss at the little darlings if you need to get their attention. They won't cause serious injuries and little or no bruising! For more information, contact Yasmine at : vasmine@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 here 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 chair's and members. Don't be shy, so what if you've never done it before, or done it so long ago you forgot...you will have help & guidance from me or perhaps another more qualified member! Special thanks to **Gloria Bruning** and **Barbara Freeman**, who came to me and volunteered for some committees. Sorry ladies, they asked first, but there are others spots just as important and some even more fun. Please see the list below. You can email me at edibal@safeco.com or call me at 503.697.0171 and tell me what your preference is. Please don't make me be a lonely future president sitting by the PC and the telephone waiting to here from you!

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.

Chair: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

Audit: This committee audits the chapter finances

Chair: _____

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: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

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: _____ **Committee Members:** _____

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

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:** _____

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 July, August & September meetings....unless it's full before!

*Thank you,
Edie*