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Regional Officers for 2007-2008:
Secretary: Bev Sauerwein, CIT (#120)
Treasurer: Stephanie San Paolo, CIT (#366)
Parliamentarian: Marcia Rackley, CIT (#100)

Thank you ladies for all your hard work these past two years, I greatly appreciate it.

YOUR DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE:

I was going to have this out before I left for Convention, but of course, I did not make that deadline.

This will be my last official business as Region 6 Director. I have enjoyed being your 2006-2008 Director, but I am looking forward to the changing of the guard...Anne will do a great job.

Well, I just took my final CCA test at Convention – not that I think I passed it, but it did give me a chance to see what was on the test – I will be ready to pass it in Nov. Then I am done!!!

Convention was both fun and informative. Anne will be bringing some important NAWIC business to the members at APC. Please plan on attending this Regional function.

I will be serving as Region 6 Membership Chair, so be prepared to send me the contact information on your Chapter's Membership Chair.

Again, I wish to thank each member of Region 6 for allowing me to be your Director these past 2 years. It was a great ride; so much so, I would encourage all members to think about running for Regional Director.

Hope to see all of you Nov 7th in Cape Girardeau.

Anna

I WISH TO THANK REGION 6 COMMITTEE CHAIRS - YOU DID AN OUTSTANDING JOB.

NEW CERTIFICATIONS:

Received an NEF Certification? The NAWIC Office needs your help to keep your contact information correct. Due to legal considerations, the NAWIC Education Foundation (NEF) can no longer provide the NAWIC Office a list of members who have received NEF certifications (CCA, CDS, CIT). Therefore, if you have received your NEF certification in the last year, please update your information with the NAWIC Office as soon as possible. Also, if you are planning on becoming certified, please update your information when you pass the test. Update your information online by visiting www.nawic.org, Member Sign In > Update your Info. Enter "CCA, CDS, CIT" in the "certification(s)" field.

NAWIC INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATES: The International Affiliates Committee is responsible for international expansion activities and acts as a liaison between NAWIC and its affiliates outside the United States of America. Committee duties include investigating international affiliate prospects, developing and supervising joint educational programs, and implementing programs with NAWIC affiliates. One of these programs is the International Job Exchange Program.

To date, the NAWIC international affiliates are Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and the United Kingdom and Canadian Women In Construction

NAWIC University

Build your education today!
Build your education with NAWIC's new, online source for learning — the NAWIC University. The NAWIC University now utilizes a variety of online courses from different web sites covering topics like business skills, finance, technology, and organizational development. Begin building your education today with NAWIC!

Leadership Academy – Building your Personal Skills

The National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC), along with the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), has announced an intensive three-day Leadership Academy in 2008. **The Academy will be held at Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina, Oct. 25-28, 2008.**

The first NAWIC Leadership Academy held Oct. 28-31, 2007 provided a wealth of knowledge to participants. Expert instructors who have been in the industry for more than 30 years teach them. The sessions totaled twenty-four hours of lectures, case studies and student participation. Leadership skills were reinforced through case studies, group projects, team-building exercises and evening homework assignments. Academy participants share their own experiences with other women from across the nation. Topics include leadership and management styles; negotiating techniques; time management; conflict resolution; problem-solving techniques; and conducting effective meetings. Bonding experiences will be reinforced with cabin setting at Clemson University's outdoor laboratory facility on Lake Hartwell. Tuition for NCCER's NAWIC Leadership Academy is \$1,295. This includes three nights of lodging, all meals, course material, transportation to and from the airport, and nightly activities. Registration forms are now call NCCER (888) 622-3720. All women in construction are invited to participate. Completion of a NAWIC Leadership Academy will merit three Continuing Education Credits. Space is limited to the first 30 enrollees per session.

LAST RENEWAL REMINDER:

Renewals must be received (not postmarked by) in the NAWIC Office by Sept. 30. Oct. 1, a \$25 late fee will be assessed. *The grace period has been eliminated.* Paying on line is the fastest way to meet this deadline.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Heather Boyce.....#38 St Louis, MO
Debi Donaldson.....#38 St Louis, MO
Natalie Siegman.....#142 Topeka, KS
Beth Doles.....#366 Southwest MO
Angela Mayers.....#366 Southwest MO

We are so excited to have you as new members!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

APC 2008 – Nov 7th -8th - in Cape Girardeau, Mo
Forum 2009 - April 3rd & 4th: in Kansas City, MO
Forum 2010 – April 30th -May 1st in Topeka, Kansas
2008 Convention – Sept 3- 7, 2008 in Las Vegas

CHAPTER UPDATES:

CHAPTER #38: St Louis, MO

Meeting day: 3rd Thursday, of each month.

By: President: Sandra Carter, CIT

Members Karen Duree and Mindy Funk gave the chapter tips on using Sharepoint and putting together attractive articles at our July Meeting. Colleen West was in charge this month and provided the members with a delicious box dinner.

August saw the chapter in getting ready for 2008/2009. There was a Committee Chair Training Session. Annette Elich-Parker and Stacey Madsen, CIT traveled to Excelsior Springs for the Region 6 Leadership Training. We had a great Planning Meeting at the Ahren's Mississippi Mansion. Ideas flowed and we have some great ideas to work with. The day closed with lunch and socializing around the pool.

Six ladies are gearing up to attend Convention in Las Vegas. We are ready to learn, network and have a great time.

We will end the 2007/2008 and Install the 2008/2009 Board of Directors on September 18, 2008. A Celebratory Reception will give our ladies time to relive our successes.

CHAPTER # 100: Greater Kansas City, MO

Meeting day: 2nd Monday, of each month.

By: President: Holly Streeter-Schaefer

Our chapter will be holding its installation banquet on September 8, 2008. Chapter 100 will be meeting at the Hereford House in Kansas City, Missouri. There will be a social hour starting at 5:30pm with dinner and installation following at 6pm. The following officers will be installed on September 8, 2008, taking office on October 1, 2008:

President: Candice Anderson
President Elect: Lisa Derringer
Vice President: Gloria Scrivens
Recording Secretary: Stephanie Nichols
Corresponding Secretary: Lori Friesth
Treasurer: Adrian Zeiler
Directors: Vickie Nickel, Tiffany Patrick, Chellee Mansfield and Susan Farmer

CHAPTER #120: Greater Wichita, KS

Meeting day: 4th Tuesday, of each month.

By: President: Beverly Sauerwein, CIT

It is hard to believe that our 07-08 NAWIC year is coming to a close.

Mike Holland from the American Council on Construction Education (ACCE) was our guest at the August membership meeting. His presentation on the work of the ACCE was very informative. He presented our Chapter with ACCE's Founders Award because of our affiliation with the Kansas Construction Careers Coalition (KC3) and the implementation of the Construction Learning Center at the Kansas State Fair last September.

Our installation of officers on Sept. 23 is in the final phase of planning. We allow the incoming president to plan the installation and I'm sure Linda has a wonderful evening planned.

This has been a very exciting year for the Greater Wichita Chapter #120 and I wish all the best in the future developments with the new officers and directors coming into office. I want to thank my Chapter for allowing me to be their president and my Company for all the support to enable me to participate in this capacity. Thank you to everyone.

CHAPTER #142: Topeka, KS

Meeting day: 3rd Monday, of each month.

By: President: Cindi Bramlage

I would like to thank every one that took part in the 2008 Region 6 Leadership Retreat. What a great time we all had. As most of you are aware, Patty Cook is a wonderful speaker.

Our August meeting was FANTASTIC. We were honored to have Mike Holland, CPC, AIC who is Executive VP and CEO of American Council for Construction Education attend our meeting. Mr. Holland presented the Topeka Chapter with a Founder's Award for our participation in the 2007 KC3 Construction Learning Center at the Kansas State Fair. Over 2,000 parents and children visited the exhibit to see what all the excitement was about. We will be working at the exhibit again this year. On Saturday, September 13th the KC3 will serve as the Day Sponsor for the entire Fair, providing added exposure to the exhibit. If you get to the Kansas State Fair, please stop by and say hello, Topeka Chapter will have several gals there along with the Wichita Chapter.

Three of our members will be attending the National Convention. We are all very excited for the learning experience and networking that will take place.

September we will install our new Officers and Board of Directors. Everyone is looking so forward to an exciting year here in Topeka, we have several new members that have joined our chapter this year and several more are considering joining. We have some great new ideas for our community projects, we are so excited.

I would like to thank Anna Mathis for being such a big help to the Topeka Chapter in the last two years. We appreciate all the trips, phone calls, e-mails that you made to our chapter. Anytime we needed anything you were there to lend your knowledge and support. Thank you!

CHAPTER #162: St. Joseph, MO

Meeting day: 2nd Tuesday, of each month.

By: President: Sara Markt

The St. Joseph Chapter will enjoy another job site tour in September with a walk through the historic Mead Building, a large factory building that is being converted to loft apartments. This is one more example of redevelopment in the Downtown area and should prove quite interesting. We are taking the opportunity to invite some previous and/or prospective members given that there has been a lot of interest in the building; the hope is that we can draw in some folk that have not attended previously. We will follow up the tour with our monthly business meeting at a local restaurant. Sally Wurtzler is heading up the installation ceremony this year and is working on the plans, so it is a continuing work in progress.

CHAPTER #341: Central Missouri

Meeting day: 2nd Tuesday, of each month.

By: President: Maggie Eichholz

Central Missouri Chapter #341 Installation of Officers & Monthly Meeting: September 23, 2008 @ 5:30 pm, Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St., Columbia MO 65201. Speaker: Steve Baker "Adventures in Attitudes". Installing Official: Anne Houchin, Director Region 6, 2008-2010. 2008 Block Kids contest: November 15 @ 11:00 am, Ashland Optimist Club, Ashland MO 65010.

CHAPTER #366: Southwest Missouri

Meeting day: 3rd Monday, of each month.

By: President: Stacey Bailey

We will be conducting our Installation Banquet on September 15, 2008. Region 6 Director, Anna Mathis will be our Installing Officer. We will have the Rose Ceremony along with a buffet dinner. We are inviting all members to attend along with a guest. This should be a good time and encouragement for our new President and her Board.

We will holding our 7th Annual A-Z Seminar on Tuesday September 16th. We are planning on

100 women. This is an excellent way to spread the word about NAWIC.

BEST WISHES TO ALL OF REGION 6 – YOU ARE THE BEST!!!

