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Hello Region 6!

It is my sincere hope that 2012 is off to a good start for you, your family, your career. If the old saying ‘time flies when you are having fun’ is any indicator of life—I am having boatloads of fun! I think the more accurate saying would be “Time flies, it’s up to you to be the navigator.”



Connie Leopard, CIT
Region 6 Director

Speaking with an industry colleague at lunch a few days ago, she was lamenting the fact that it was an exciting challenge to keep track of multiple projects and tasks on the job. Personally she felt out of control and overwhelmed by things she should be doing, but never has time to do.

Hello...welcome to being a woman and putting yourself last on the list! We are in need of a serious paradigm shift, if this is the way we operate. Thinking about our conversation, it became obvious that too often I am guilty of this same crime against myself! Changes are in order and the perfect time to do it has arrived—at the beginning of this new year.

Therefore, I have resolved that utilizing the exact same principles that I do ‘on the job’ will be tools for change in other areas of life. Specifically—spend time planning what needs to be done to enhance my life personally, prioritize the ‘to do’s’, and track the progress and re-prioritize as needed.

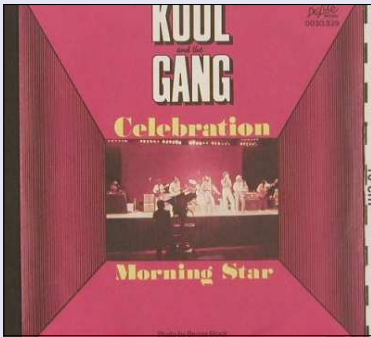
This is a challenge I can be excited about and it is my belief 2012 will be a great year! Don’t be guilty of putting yourself last on the list. Find your challenge, embrace it, and let me know how you do along the way!

Cheers!

Connie



Inside Membership



**“Celebration”
by
Kool
&
The Gang**

Since 1980 when Kool and the Gang released the hit “Celebration” - this song has been an iconic tune on play lists for many parties and celebrations across America.

A key to keeping NAWIC members enthused about meetings and events is celebrating successes of individual members, their companies, and achievements of your NAWIC chapter.

Celebrate your successes—get them published! Keep the NAWIC Image staff informed by contacting Autumn Daughetee;

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Celebrate SUCCESS—by publishing SUCCESS!!

Welcome New Members.....

St. Louis #38

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Greensfelder
10 South Broadway
Suite 2000
St. Louis, MO 63102

Gr. Wichita

Tricia Wilson
Icon Structures, Inc.
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Andover, KS 67000

Greater Kansas City #100

Angela Blaize
Barts Electric
7103 Stewart Rd.
Pleasant Valley, MO 64068

Dianna Richardson
Richardson Hauling, Inc.
PO Box 8638
Independence, MO 64054

Southwest MO #366

April Planck
Simplex Grinnell LP
2757 S. Austin Avenue
Springfield, MO 65807

Thank you recruiters!

Kita Haynes, St. Louis #38
Vickie Nickel, Gr. Kansas City #100
Bev Sauerwein, Gr. Wichita #120
Stephanie San Paolo, Southwest MO #366

*“The more
you praise
and
celebrate
your life, the
more there
is in life to
celebrate.”*

*Oprah
Winfrey*

From Stephanie San Paolo, Region 6 Membership Chair..

Ok NAWIC Members! The holidays are over so it’s time to get to business! Our goal on membership this year is that each member recruit at least one new member this year. Can you imagine if we doubled our regional membership?

That would be amazing!

If you haven’t heard, we’re having a drawing for those that recruit a new member between this past October and our spring forum in April. Each time you recruit a new member, your name goes in the drawing for a new ipad! So I thought I’d give you an update on who’s in the drawing so far. Right now the following people have their name in the drawing for the ipad:

Sue Schwatken; Kita Haynes (3); Teresa Stephenson; Shannon Seipel; Maggie Eichholz; Michelle Dyer; Holly Goodin; Bev Sauerwein

Recruit a new member, and your name can be in the drawing too!

Recruit another, and your name goes in AGAIN!

Kudos to Kita Haynes for already having her name in the drawing three times!

Keep up the good work!

What's happening in your Chapter?



From Anna Baldwin, St. Louis #38 Chapter President

Why you should continue your investment in NAWIC:

N-networking opportunities

A-acquisition of knowledge and education

W-work force of ladies in all facets of the construction industry

I-industry and community involvement

C-creative development

St. Louis will have a lunch meeting on February 15, 2012 on Prevailing Wage Regulations that will be held at the Duke 635 Building—635 Maryville Center. Block Kids will be held on February 17, 2012 at Gardner Elementary School in Waterloo, Illinois.



NAWIC

National Association of Women in Construction

Greater Wichita
Chapter #120
Region 6

From Sue Gleason, Gr. Wichita Chapter President

Chapter #120 has been busy since the Holidays working on BLOCK KIDS. Our Contest is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 11th. We have moved our location this year to lower our out of pocket expenses and hope the change will be positive. Registrations are coming in and co-chairs, Edi Clark and Marjorie Awtrey are working on sponsors, judges, and trade show entries. We will be sorting blocks at our January membership meeting and will be ready to go!! Block Kids is like a Wedding - there are always some hitches at a wedding but at the end of the occasion, there is always a bride and groom and lots of precious memories- with Block Kids there is always a winner and lots of good memories.

In addition to Blocks Kids, we are hosting an evening with Kris Young, The AGC National President on Wednesday January 25th . We have invited Nawic members, AGC members, contractors and people from the industry to attend. The event will be held at Larkspur in Old Town. We would love to have any of you who could make it attend also. Cost is only \$15.00 to cover expenses of appetizers and the room. Let us know if you will be able to attend.

What's happening in your Chapter?

Greater Kansas City #100



Gr. Kansas City is busy getting ready for their 16th Annual NAWIC “Super Bowl” Fundraiser from 8am—1pm on Sunday, January 29, 2012 at Aaron’s Family Center in Belton, MO.

In addition, plans are underway for Gr. Kansas City’s Block Kids contest to be held on February 11, 2012 at the Builder’s Training Center—105 W. 12th Avenue, Kansas City, MO.

Hope to see you there!!

Central
Missouri



Chapter
#341

Central Missouri is in the process of redefining our programs and activities. We are focusing on recruiting membership and incorporating new ideas into what we do at our meetings. Stay tuned for more details as we progress through this process!

Congratulations to Karla Prosser, Chapter President for the birth of her new granddaughter!

What's happening in your Chapter?

Southwest Missouri Chapter #366

From Debbie Speake, Southwest MO
Chapter President

In January we had two speakers, one from United Way explaining the "Flip Program". This program is designed to help women who have been out of the workforce for some time or need help entering for the first time. In addition to helping these women put together resumes, they are coached on interviewing skills. This program also collects appropriate interview clothing. Another speaker discussed the "GITFIT" program which gives good information beyond just exercise to help working women make good choices in nutrition and health.

January 27-29 we will be operating a NAWIC information booth at the Springfield Home Builders Association Expo. We look forward to making this a great membership drive and networking event for our chapter. We are working on final plans for our Block Kids Contest that will be held on February 4, 2012



Chapter #142 Topeka, Kansas

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN
CONSTRUCTION

At our January 19, 2012 meeting the Career Assistance Network of the YWCA provided guest speakers Linda Kinney and Jacque Rogers, introduce us to the TechGyrls program. This is a summer program aimed at exposing girls ages 9-13 to careers in construction. We are planning on helping out for one week of the program. Stay tuned for more details on our involvement in this program!

Block Kids is scheduled Friday, February 3, 2012 at 2pm at McCarter Elementary School in Topeka. In addition, Topeka has five students working on their CAD/Drafting/Design projects that will be entered into competition.

What's happening in your Chapter?

St. Joseph, Missouri

St. Joseph Chapter #162

St. Joseph ladies are working hard planning their Block Kids contest. Updates to follow and it will be great if Region 6 members available could pitch in and help. We will be sending out an email requesting volunteers! We have a hard act to follow after sponsoring last year's national winner!! Stay tuned for more details.....



NAWIC Dates to Remember



February 15	IRS 990 or 990T Form due to Internal Revenue Service. File by deadline to avoid penalties.
On or before February 25	Deadline for Block Kids Contest
March 4-10	Women in Construction Week (WIC Week)
March 15	Deadline for 18th Annual Crystal Vision Award (non-member)
March 15	Deadline for 18th Annual Crystal Achievement Award (NAWIC member) http://www.nawic.org/images/nawic/crystalvision/2012/CV12app.pdf
On or before March 23	Deadline to submit Block Kids entry to Sharon Niekamp—Region 6 Chair: Sharon@aireservcmo.com
On or before April 15	Deadline to submit CAD/Design/Drafting Entries submitted to Sally Wurtzler—Region 6 Chair: sallywurtzler@gmail.com
April 19	Job Site Tour—Panera Bread Office in conjunction with Spring Forum
April 20-22	Region 6 Spring Forum—St. Charles, MO—Embassy Suites –Registration form will be available in February newsletter.
August 29—September 12	NAWIC Annual Meeting & Education Conference –Denver, CO—Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel



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the construction industry.

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**“Everything’s coming up roses -
for me.” Ethel Mermen**

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