

NEW NAWIC

A newsletter exclusively for new members

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

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Welcome NAWIC

Welcome to NAWIC, and thank you for joining! NAWIC is a path best traveled with friends. The most successful way to do that is to attend chapter meetings. Don't be shy. If you're curious about something that's going on — ask. Introduce yourself, and take the opportunity to network with other women in the construction industry.

We value your membership and would like to know how things are going for you. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call me at (800) 552-3506, or email me at [dedeh@nawic.org](mailto:dede@nawic.org). I'd love to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Dede Hughes
NAWIC Executive Vice President

Tell Me More

NAWIC has a variety of programs that recognize outstanding members. The **Crystal Achievement Award** recognizes a member who helps to promote, expand and encourage the role of women in the construction industry. The **NAWIC Tradeswoman and Tradeswoman Advocate of the Year Awards** recognize outstanding tradeswomen and tradeswomen advocates.

Did You Know



NAWIC has two online directories to help you locate members all across the country: the **Member Directory** and the **Leadership Directory**.

The **Member Directory** is NAWIC's online membership directory and allows you to access contact information for all NAWIC members who have elected to be listed. To access the Member Directory, go to www.nawic.org > Member Sign In > Member Center > Member Directory.

The **Leadership Directory** is a directory of NAWIC leaders. It allows you to look up **chapter officers, region directors, national officers, committee members** and more. To access this directory, go to www.nawic.org > Member Sign In > Member Center > Leadership Directory.



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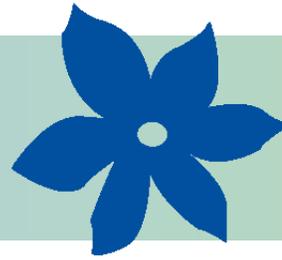
The **Convention Promo**, mailed in May, highlights NAWIC's 53rd Annual Meeting and Convention, Sept. 3-6 in Las Vegas, Nev. National Convention allows you to network with women across the nation and attend educational seminars — all to help Build Your Future. The Promo provides a preliminary schedule, including information about the seminars and workshops offered. For more information about Convention visit, www.nawicconvention.org.

If you joined by May 1, you will receive a **voting ballot** in early June to cast your vote for our national officer elections. Please familiarize yourself with the candidates by reading the candidate profiles in the April/May 2008 issue of *The NAWIC IMAGE* (also available online). Visit the NAWIC Bulletin Board to post your questions to the candidates running for office. You can access the Bulletin Board by going to www.nawic.org > Member Sign In > Member Center > Bulletin Board.

The Connection, NAWIC's Online newsletter, is sent monthly via email from the NAWIC Office to members who have provided an email address. The news includes announcements, highlights and more.

Just the Facts

A definite shortage of skilled trade construction workers looms on the horizon for the construction industry. According to the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, the industry will have to bring in approximately 240,000 workers each year to replace the retiring baby boomers and those leaving the industry. One of NAWIC's goals is to work with companies and associations alike to provide skilled women for the industry. We all must work together to ensure the future of a skilled construction work force.



NAWIC President Profile

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Why I Joined: I was entering into a male-dominated career, and I knew in order to be successful, it would be beneficial to know other women in the industry and to build a support network. NAWIC was that support network for me.

Has it worked for me? NAWIC has been everything I expected it to be and more. NAWIC has provided me with knowledge about the industry in addition to organizational and leadership training. These knowledge and skills help me successfully run a project and a company. NAWIC also provided a mentor, and I am now privileged to be a mentor to other women in the industry. Furthermore, the networking opportunities across the United States has been highly valuable to my company.

NAWIC Member Services

As a member, you're eligible for discounts on a variety of products and services from magazine subscriptions to travel benefits. Each issue of *The NAWIC IMAGE*, the Association's magazine, lists all of our member services.

Whether you are an employer looking for qualified employees or if you're seeking employment, NAWIC's Career Center can help. Go to www.nawic.org > Career Center to post a résumé, search job listings, post a job opportunity and more.

For Your Information

Core Purpose

To enhance the success of women in the construction industry

Core Values

Believe in ourselves. **Persevere** with the strength of our convictions. **Dare** to move into new horizons.

Code of Professionalism

WHEREAS, the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION, herein after referred to as NAWIC, is an international association dedicated to the advancement of women in the construction industry, and

WHEREAS, integrity, professionalism, respect and courtesy are all fundamental values of NAWIC, and WHEREAS, NAWIC's officers, directors, staff and members represent the Association to others within and outside of the construction industry, and

WHEREAS, NAWIC and its members wish to set out in writing the code of professionalism by which they strive to implement their fundamental values in all their actions, for both internal and external activities,

NOW, THEREFORE, the following is adopted as the CODE OF PROFESSIONALISM of the National Association of Women in Construction:

- NAWIC members will act at all times in conformance with the following Association Policy — NAWIC is self-governing, non-profit, non-partisan and non-sectarian.
- NAWIC members will use their best efforts to ensure that the statements made and positions taken fairly represent the view of the entire group on behalf of which they are authorized to speak.
- NAWIC members, when representing members of the Association, will take steps to hear and consider the views of all their constituents and make those members feel that their views are important, even if the position taken is in disagreement with any member's particular views.
- NAWIC members, when representing the Association, its Committees, Regions, Councils or Chapters shall give those positions their full support.
- NAWIC members shall treat as confidential any information to which they are given access by virtue of being an officer or director, candidate for office, or director-elect.
- NAWIC members shall conduct themselves professionally in the course of any activities affecting the Association, including campaigning for office.

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History of NAWIC

Founded in Fort Worth, Texas, in 1955, NAWIC is an international Association serving approximately 5,500 members in more than 175 chapters across the United States. NAWIC is also affiliated with Canadian Association of Women in Construction, NAWIC-Australia, NAWIC-New Zealand, South African Women in Construction and NAWIC-United Kingdom. The Association's membership is comprised of business owners, engineers, architects, tradeswomen and those in a variety of other construction-related careers.

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