



# NAWIC

THE REGION 6 TOOLBOX, JULY, 2013

*As material for the  
construction of our  
building, I pledge  
the agility of my  
hands, the ability of  
my mind, and the  
Integrity of my  
heart.*

## Message From Your Director

Dear Region 6 Ladies

With the arrival of August means one thing—IT'S TIME TO RENEW. Don't get caught with the late fee, which is assessed after October 1. My hope is that you will continue to grow in your NAWIC membership by investing in yourself, you will be glad you did.  
ROI Return on Involvement!

The end of summer is fast approaching and for those going to school it may already be over. Pittsburg State University starts on Monday and are they are ON FIRE FOR NAWIC. I attended SE Kansas planning meeting this past Monday and the excitement is in the air. There is no doubt in anyone's mind that this Charter will happen on October 18. Table Sponsors will be sold to keep the cost of the banquet ticket at \$25. So bring three roommates with you to share the room costs and don't forget your gambling money! More details to follow very soon!

You might take notice of the phrase on this page, top right corner. This is the NAWIC Pledge. It reminds me of the 4-H Pledge we would say at every meeting. Are there any Chapters in our Region that say this Pledge together on a regular basis? What a great way to start a business meeting!

I apologize to all of you that I am not very good at spreading the word of all of the activities of each Chapter to the Region. I know all of the Chapter President's are busy and I hate bugging them for another report. It is my hope that when a Chapter shares their newsletter to the leaders of each Chapter, that that Leader in turn sends out to all the members in their Chapter. This sharing can inspire someone to take an idea and tweak to make it significant to their own Chapter. Vickie Nickel was the one that first said to me back in 2006 "steal with pride".

I want to thank Stephanie San Paola for her work this past year as the National PEP Chair. She has done a fantastic job and I was very amiss in not giving her more "shout outs" this



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**Highlights**

**SE Kansas Charter**— October 18, 2013  
 Downstream Casino  
 69300 E. Nee Rd., Quapaw, OK 74363  
 Room Rates \$114.00  
 918-919-6000 ext 0  
 Banquet tickets \$25.00 ea

**Annual Planning Conference**

November 8-9, 2013  
 Kansas Technology Center  
 Pittsburg State University  
 Pittsburg, Kansas

Lamplighter Inn & Suites  
 4020 Parkview Drive, Pittsburg KS 66762  
 620-231-8700

Make Reservations by October 25, 2013  
 Room Rate \$70.00 , includes breakfast  
 REGISTRATION \$50

AGENDA

- “Training Your Memory”  
 Dr. Mark Johnson  
 Prof in Technology & Workforce Learning
- Membership
- Magic Camp, Kansas City Chapter
- NEF Auction Fund Raiser
- By-Laws Bingo
- Leadership
- Team Build Competition
- Your Membership Counts
- Strategic Plan
- Block Kids
- CAD Drafting
- Hearts & Hammers

past year. Congrats, Stephanie. She will pass off her baton at AMEC. We have another Region 6 member coming tino a Co-Chair position of the National Membership Committee, that being Vickie Nickel. She will definitely be busy with being her Chapter’s, our Region’s and now a National Co-Chair. Thank you both for representing Region 6 so well.

Congratulations to all of you that are able to go to the Annual Meeting & Education Conference in Seattle. You will come back ON FIRE FOR NAWIC.

Bev Sauerwein CIT

COACH BILL SNYDER’S 16 GOALS TO SUCCESS

Never Give Up

If at first you don’t succeed, try, try again

Thoughts on Leadership

To lead is to carve out a path for others to follow. The position does not call for domination, but humility. A strong leader knows that personal sacrifice is necessary to be fully committed to the position.

True respect and admiration comes not by exceptional beauty, charisma or a domineering style, but by a passionate, straightforward nature. A willingness to drop everything for the betterment of those they lead.

Leadership is about kindness and utilizing compassion as a tool to encourage and guide others toward their goals and celebrate their successes. Effective leaders are constantly looking out for the well-being of those they lead. They are tuned into their difficulties and concerns.

A good leader is resilient – realizing everyone makes mistakes and helping others learn and grow from mistakes rather than belittling or marginalizing them.

Leadership is not about being and staying in the limelight – but working hard to draw others forward to spotlight abilities – allowing others to shine. Leaders don’t take the credit for the work of others and will always take responsibility for what happens – whether the outcome is good or bad.

Leadership is an art to be practiced, a science to be learned, character to be formed and the foundation of every successful institution of mankind.

Connie Leopard, May 2012

SPONSORSHIPS WILL BE AVAILABLE

*“They may forget what you said, but they will never forget how you made them feel.”*  
 --Carl W. Buechner



Health and Safety Awareness Committee 2012-2013 Final Report  
Terri Piasecki, Chair

I am delighted to share that the Health and Safety Awareness committee is chock full of dedicated safety members in every region. We have established an updated interactive format for distributing health and safety information using an email service and social media. Feedback has been quite positive as more and more members opt in to receive the newsletter which features timely information as well as a link to download (free) a full month of daily safety topics in every issue!

Throughout the year, we shifted our focus from encouraging chapters to have just one safety topic presented at a chapter meeting during the year to incorporating a safety minute into each chapter meeting. The purpose of this is to continuously communicate a safety message. Resources were offered for chapter safety chairs to obtain free safety materials and bring them to the meetings for members to use for a safety minute, and then share at their workplaces, adding to the value of the chapter meetings.

The OSHA Alliance is coming to fruition thanks to the tenacity and dedication of Kathi Dobson! The OSHA and National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Alliance agreement and The Joint Commission/Joint Commission Resources Alliance renewal agreement will be signed by Assistant Secretary David Michaels in the OAS Conference Room (S2217) on August 21, 2013, at 1:00 pm.

We completed another round of regional Safety Excellence Awards – congratulations to all of the Regional winners! Scroll Down to see all of the Region Award Recipients. National winners will be announced and awarded at AM&EC in September!

Any member can visit us on facebook, join our linked in group, and opt in to receive this newsletter. Start at [www.facebook.com/NAWICSafety](http://www.facebook.com/NAWICSafety) or visit the National website committee page at: [http://www.nawic.org/nawic/Safety\\_Health\\_Awareness.asp](http://www.nawic.org/nawic/Safety_Health_Awareness.asp). Don't hesitate to share your own safety resources with the committee! Send a warm welcome to the incoming committee chair, Mina Jazzzo and co-chair, Leah Curran at [NAWICSafety@Gmail.com](mailto:NAWICSafety@Gmail.com).

**Congratulation to the following 2013 Region Safety Award Recipients:**

REGION / CHAPTER #/NAME / CATEGORY / WINNER / LOCATION

2 Chapter 53 Greater Birmingham Contractor Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC Birmingham, Alabama  
 3 Chapter 78 Greater Ft Lauderdale Contractor Stiles Construction Ft. Lauderdale, Florida  
 4 Chapter 183 Detroit Contractor Roncelli, Inc. Sterling Heights, Michigan  
 4 Chapter 194 Grand Rapids Subcontractor Kent Companies, Inc. Grand Rapids, MI  
 4 Chapter 86 Columbus, MI Construction Related Firm S & ME, Inc. Columbus, OH  
 6 Chapter 142 Topeka Contractor KBS Constructors, Inc. Topeka, KS  
 7 Chapter 3 Houston Contractor Tellepsen Builders Houston, TX  
 8 Chapter 112 Denver Metro Contractor Garney Holding Company Kansas City, MO  
 8 Chapter 112 Denver Metro Sub Contractor Dynalectric Company Colorado Lakewood, CO  
 12 Chapter 74 Las Vegas Sub Contractor Majove Electric Providence, RI  
 13 Chapter 50 Quad City Sub Contractor Iowa Illinois Taylor Insulation Davenport, IA  
 13 Chapter 160 Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Contractor Rinderknecht Associates Inc. Cedar Rapids, IA  
 14 Chapter 218 The Granite State Contractor Gilbane Building Company, Bedford, NH

It has been a pleasure being the National Safety Chair of the National Association of Women in Construction. I thank you for the opportunity!

Terri Piasecki