

The Blueprint



NAWIC | FORT WORTH CHAPTER #1 | SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

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January 2025

NAWIC Pledge

As material for the construction
of our buildings,
I pledge the agility of my hands,
the ability of my mind,
and the integrity of my heart.

NAWIC Core Purpose

To strengthen and amplify the
success of women in the
construction industry.

NAWIC Core Values

Women focused, Courageous
leadership, Commitment to
inclusion and growth, Anticipate

Calendar of Events

Business Meeting – Jan 16th – Fort Worth Club

Next Business Meeting – Feb 20th – Fort Worth Club

**Board of Directors' Meeting – Feb 11th
301 Commerce Street, Suite 1301 Fort
Worth, TX 76102**

Block Kids – January 18th

WIC Week – March 2nd – 8th, 2025

Golf Tournament – May 6th

President's Message

Dear Fort Worth Chapter #1 Members,

Happy New Year! As we step into an exciting year for the National Association of Women in Construction, we have several events lined up to inspire, educate, and empower our community and this chapter.

We kick off with BLOCK Kids on January 18th at Girls Inc. of Tarrant County, a wonderful opportunity to introduce young minds to the world of construction. Following that, mark your calendars for the Strong Careers: Construction Career Camp on March 8th, also at Girls Inc., where we'll showcase the vast career possibilities in our industry.

Join us for a bit of fun at the TEXO Ladies in Construction Bingo and Bags event on January 30th. It's a great chance to relax and connect with fellow women in our industry.

Women in Construction Week is fast approaching, from March 2nd to 8th. Stay tuned for more details as we prepare to celebrate and elevate the contributions of women in our field.

Spring brings our Ways and Means Golf Tournament on May 5th, a fantastic day to network and have fun while supporting our chapter. Later in May, don't miss the Tri-Region Forum in Atlanta, GA, from May 7th to 9th. Registration is now open, and it promises to be an event filled with insights and camaraderie.

Looking ahead, save the dates for the National Conference from August 21st to 23rd in Boston, MA.

We'll also be circulating a Proposed Policy Change regarding National Conference reimbursement and the use of chapter rooms at conferences.

Your input will be valuable in shaping this policy.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our mission. Let's make 2025 a year of growth and achievement!

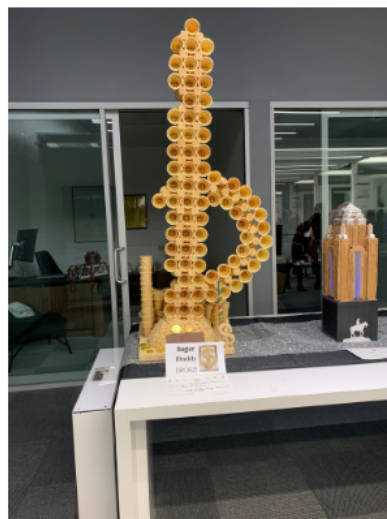
Stay Warm!

Jessica Steel

Chapter President

Gingerbread 2024

In the Spotlight



Christmas Packing 2024

In the
Spotlight





Our NAWIC team recently came together for our Thanksgiving meeting, where we enthusiastically collected non-perishable goods for the community center. We were delighted to fill the back of an SUV with generous donations, making the event both productive and successful. It was truly rewarding to contribute canned goods and other essentials to the community center, a place where those in need can shop with dignity. In December, our new Fort Worth chapter took on the inspiring initiative of filling shoeboxes for underprivileged children. They went above and beyond expectations, demonstrating exceptional dedication. Kudos to the Fort Worth chapter! Our enthusiasm was so great that we ran out of shoeboxes and began using paper sacks and any other available containers to continue our efforts for the children in the Fort Worth area. The outpouring of generosity from our community was heartwarming, with donations including coloring books, crayons, stuffed animals, socks, gloves, hats, and a wide array of toys. Safe Haven expressed their heartfelt gratitude, noting that our contributions positively impacted the lives of over 50 children. This experience was incredibly fulfilling, and we eagerly anticipate doing it again next year—perhaps even a month earlier—so that we can extend our support to a school in need.



Golf Tournament

SAVE THE DATE

The National Association of Women in Construction
Fort Worth Chapter's
41st Annual Golf Tournament



Fort Worth, TX

May 5, 2025

TWO COURSES!!!!

NEW LOCATION:

BEAR CREEK

Contact Shelie Murphy for information shelie@ci-gc.com

January Business Meeting



Fort Worth, TX

*How to get the most bang for the buck from your employee benefits:
Ways to save on and use your benefits for the most value.*

Paulette Poyner, Insurica Account Executive

Thursday, January 16, 2025
5:30pm-8:00pm

The Fort Worth Club
12th Floor, Check Directory for Room
306 W 7th Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102

Menu – Chef's Choice Hot Buffet

(Please advise with reservation if you have special dietary needs.)

PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN NOON January 13, 2025

Via email reservations@nawic-fw.org

Links To Pre-Pay Dinner Cost \$50

Includes parking; bring ticket inside for validation.

Members - <https://checkout.square.site/buy/I3EАНHMQJ5Y4NUB33BQTXF7Y>

Guests - <https://checkout.square.site/buy/YMRNERDM5QHT4EVZYRQUS72T>

Please remember that members and guests not canceling dinner reservations before Tuesday noon prior to the meeting shall be responsible for dinner cost.

This is necessary because costs are incurred based on the anticipated attendance.

January Business Meeting



Paulette Poynor
Account Executive

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Paulette is an account executive in our Employee Benefits department who demonstrates excellence in customer service with true compassion and empathy, making you feel like family. Paulette brings to you and your team her reputation for superior customer service, coupled with more than 15 years of experience in the insurance industry. The clients she works with quickly understand the value her involvement brings to the table.

Before joining the INSURICA team, Paulette worked with Insurance Management Services - a self-funded carrier. As an account representative and participant advocate, this experience provided a unique perspective that allowed employers and employees to fully understand the insurance process and true benefit of the services being offered. Paulette works tirelessly to educate employers, employees and dependents on how to utilize insurance products to receive the best benefit possible.

In addition to her expertise with the inner workings of insurance, Paulette is family-oriented and draws from this approach to ensure any advice she provides clients would be advice she would provide to her own family. Paulette genuinely believes that nothing is as important as family, which is how she chooses to treat her clients and those they employ.

ORGANIZATIONS

- Independent Insurance Agents of Texas (IIAT) Board Member 2019
- Panhandle Association of Health Underwriters (PAHU) Board Member 2016 - present
- School Board Member - River Road Independent School District

PERSONAL

Outside of her professional career you can find Paulette teaching 5th and 6th grade Sunday School, spending time with family or enjoying sporting activities.

February Teaser

Professional Development & Education

Mark your calendar for February 20, 2025

Building Your Financial Brand with Hunter Anderson,
Financial Advisor and Zig Ziglar Motivational Speaker





Policy Changes

Proposed Policy Changes

The Board of Directors approved to circulate proposed policy changes regarding reimbursements for National Conference Registration fees and the use of Chapter Rooms at National and Regional events. According to the chapter Bylaws, the proposed changes will be circulated to chapter members for 30 days.

Be on the lookout for an email with the proposed policy changes and forms.

All questions, comments, and suggestions must be sent to President Jessica Steel at president@nawic-fw.org by Monday, February 10, 2025.

Membership & Friendship

JANUARY 2025 BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday!

Andrea Giron	6th
Lori Donnell	10th
Tina Hall	14th

Happy Anniversary!

Alicia Deatherage	13 yrs
Adama Ba	5 yrs
Jamie Greenway	3 yrs
Toni Najjar	3 yrs
Kristen Hodgett	2 yr
Patty Bird	2 yr
Dana Goolsby	1 yr
Kelly Giordana	1 yr
Jennifer Escobar	1 yr
Lenor Stoner	1 yr





Winter Weather

Be Prepared for Winter Weather!

Road Safety Tips:

- **Monitor** local weather broadcasts and **check** the latest weather conditions from the [National Weather Service](#) before you hit the road.
- Avoid traveling when sleet, freezing rain or snow is predicted, and monitor road conditions by visiting [Drive Texas](#) or calling (800) 452-9292.
- If you must drive in inclement weather, **allow extra time** to reach your destination. Share your travel plans with a friend or family member so someone knows the route you're taking.
- On icy roads, **drive slowly** and **increase the distance** between your vehicle and others, as you may need additional room to stop.
- **Do not** use cruise control.
- **Ensure** your vehicle has a full tank of gas.
- **Be aware** that ice accumulates on bridges and overpasses before drivers may see it on roads, so approach them more slowly in winter weather.
- **Watch** for downed trees and power lines. If a stop light is out, treat the intersection as a four-way stop.

Home Safety Tips:

- Use an **all-hazards weather radio** for up-to-date warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information.
- **Sign up** for calls or texts from your local emergency notification system.
- Insulate outside faucets and pipes near outer walls.
- **Make sure** furnaces, heaters, fireplaces and wood stoves are clean, well-ventilated and in good working condition.
- Keep space heaters at least **three feet away** from walls and combustible materials, including furniture and bedding. Turn them off when you're away or sleeping. Also ensure space heaters cannot tip over and there is no damage to the cord.]
- To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, never operate a generator or other fuel-powered device **inside** a home, garage or other enclosed space. The odorless, colorless gas is deadly and is produced any time a fossil fuel is burned. Consider installing a carbon monoxide detector in your home.
- **Never** heat your home with a gas stove or oven.
- **Check** on friends and family members whose health or age may put them at greater risk.
- **Stock up** on firewood and supplies, including canned goods, bottled water and medication.

TEXO – BINGO Event



Join us for a New Year Networking event at [Scott + Reid](#). We will have bingo with prizes, small bites and drinks. Bingo games will start at 5pm and will continue on for the evening. You can jump in at the start of any or all games. If you would prefer to network only and skip the bingo, no problem.

Event Details:

WHEN: January 30th | 4:30-6:30 PM

WHERE: Scott + Reid | 15207 Addison Road, Addison, TX 75001

COST: Early Bird Pricing (through 1/19) - \$30 Member | \$50 Non-Member
Regular Pricing - \$40 Member | \$60 Non-Member

If you'd like to be more involved, we are looking for some sponsorships to help make the event a success!

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Bingo and Prize Sponsor \$1,500 - logo on the game cards, 6 attendees, shout out at the event, social media recognition, and linked logo on the event web page.

This is your time to enjoy the New Year with the ladies of construction, your way!

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Block Kids Competition

The NAWIC Fort Worth Chapter #1 is Partnering with Girls Inc. of Tarrant County



BLOCK KIDS COMPETITION

Grades: K-6

Date: Saturday January 18, 2025

**Location: Girls Inc. of Tarrant County
304 E. Vickery Blvd.
Fort Worth, TX 76104**

**Volunteer Arrival Time: 9:00am
Competition Begins: 10:00am**

Sign up Deadline: Once we reach 40 kids!

Registration Link Below:



100 Blocks that will be provided.



X 20



X 40



X 40

Competition Guidelines

A minimum of 75 blocks is required with a maximum of 100 blocks.

Each participant may also use up to three of the items listed below when provided by the sponsor.

- Small rock/stone not more than two (2) inches in diameter
- String not longer than twelve (12) inches in length
- Foil not larger than 18 inches x 18 inches*
- Poster Board – not larger than 18 inches x 18 inches*

*Each of these items may be broken or torn into smaller pieces, provided the child does so without outside assistance. The use of scissors or knives are prohibited

All participants are given 40 – 60 minutes to complete the project.

A qualified project is one that is construction-related. Each student will meet with a judge or judges who will rate the project and ask the student a series of questions.

There will be 1st Place, 2nd, Place, and 3rd Place Trophies and Prizes

Pizza Party and Goodies Bags will be provided after the competition.

All children must have the signed permission form

Contact: Lara Siegel – Lara@directresultsco.com you want to join in.

We Need Volunteers and Judges, Come join the Fun!!

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2024-2025

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Dues ❖ Business Card Ad in Newsletter ❖ Monthly Dinners (non-refundable) ❖ (2) Tickets Industry Appreciation ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Dues ❖ ½ Page Ad in Newsletter ❖ Monthly Dinners (non-refundable) ❖ (2) Tickets to Industry Appreciation ❖ Golf Tee Box Sponsorship ❖ Single Player Golf Tournament ❖ Region Forum Registration* ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Dues ❖ ½ Page Ad in Newsletter ❖ National Annual Conference Registration* ❖ (2) Tickets to Industry Appreciation ❖ Golf Tee Box Sponsorship ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Dues ❖ ½ Page Ad in Newsletter ❖ (2) Tickets to Industry Appreciation ❖ Golf Tee Box Sponsorship ❖ (4) Person Team Golf Tournament ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Dues ❖ Full Page Ad in Newsletter ❖ Monthly Dinners (non-refundable) ❖ (2) Tickets to Industry Appreciation ❖ Golf Tee Box Sponsorship ❖ Region Event Advertising ❖ Region Forum Registration* ❖ (4) Person Team Golf Tournament ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website ❖ Supporter Plaque 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Dues ❖ Full Page Ad in Newsletter ❖ Monthly Dinners (non-refundable) ❖ (2) Tickets to Industry Appreciation ❖ Golf Tee Box Sponsorship ❖ Region Event Advertising ❖ Region Forum Registration* ❖ Nat'l Annual Conference Registration* ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website ❖ Supporter Plaque 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Dues ❖ Full Page Ad in Newsletter ❖ Monthly Dinners (non-refundable) ❖ (2) Tickets to Industry Appreciation ❖ Golf Tee Box Sponsorship ❖ Region Event Advertising ❖ Region Forum Registration* ❖ Nat'l Annual Conference Registration* ❖ (4) Person Team Golf Tournament ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website ❖ Supporter Plaque 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Full Page Ad in Newsletter ❖ (2) Tickets Industry Appreciation ❖ 4) Person Team Golf Tournament ❖ Golf Tee Box Sponsorship ❖ Logo/Link on NAWIC FW Website ❖ Supporter Plaque

All packages reflect membership benefits for one person/representative. Contact info@nawic-fw.org for pricing for additional representatives.

*Registration for region and national events is for Early Bird rate. Any difference in the actual registration fee must be covered by the member.

FORT WORTH CHAPTER #1

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Fort Worth, TX

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2023 – 2024

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