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August 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

NO Business Meeting in August

Joint Board Meeting – Sep 9th Maggie's R&R, 1264 W. Magnolia Ave.

National Conference 2025 – August 20-23 Boston, MA

Spring Forum 2026 - Hot Springs, AR

President's Message

I hope this message finds you energized and ready for an exciting fall season with our chapter! August always feels like a fresh start, and I'm thrilled about all the momentum we're carrying into the months ahead.

First, a big shout-out to all our members heading to Boston this week for the National Conference! I know it's going to be an incredible experience filled with learning, networking, and fun. I can't wait to hear the ideas and inspiration you'll bring back to share with our chapter.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for our September meeting, where we will celebrate the installation of our new Board of Directors. This is one of the most meaningful events of the year as we welcome new leaders and honor the team that has served so well. I encourage everyone to join us; it's a night you won't want to miss!

If you've been thinking about how to get more involved, this is the perfect time to step in. Our committees are the heartbeat of our chapter, and we would love for you to find a place where your talents and passion can shine. Whether it's helping with programs, membership, or community outreach, there's a spot for you to make a difference.

Thank you for your continued energy and support. Together, we are shaping the future of women in construction, one connection, one project, and one opportunity at a time.





SPOTLIGHT - Fort Worth #1 Board 2025-2026

President - Lori Donnell



Lori is the Accounts Receivable/lob Cost Manager for Double Eagle Electric. Lori has been a member since May 2014. She has served in every office except Secretary. She has been treasurer for four terms and will be serving her second term as President. She has also chaired or been a member of almost every committee and served as committee chair at both the regional and national levels. With 30+ years in the construction industry, she has seen incredible changes. She says, "seeing the industry evolve is one of the reasons I love construction so much. The advances in technology alone have resulted in tremendous growth and potential." When she is not working or "doing" NAWIC, she loves exploring estate sales, playing Wahoo, fishing, reading and spending time with their children and grandchildren as often as possible. "I am excited for the coming year and expanding our presence and reach in the community. Through NEF Block Kids, NEF Design Drafting and events with Girls, Inc. of Tarrant County, NAWIC Fort Worth is introducing young people to the industry. Additionally, we are here to support each other and the entire industry through programs, mentorship and advocacy."

President-Flect

Jamie Greenway



Jamie is a Project Manager at Texas Materials Group. She has been an active NAWIC member since January 2022. She jumped right in and got involved and has served as Vice President and Co-Chair Ways & Means in 2024-2025, In 2023-2024 she was a Director and Co-chair for Ways & Means, and in 2022-2023 she served as Director and was awarded the

President Select Member Award for the Fort Worth Chapter. In her free time, Jamie enjoys the outdoors and her family.

Vice President

Patty Bird



Patty Bird is a Workforce Development Manager with Progress Residential. She spent 14 years in curriculum development and workforce development with the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER). Patty has a Bachler of Arts degree in English from Northern State University. Patty

served on the Board as Secretary in 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 and was awarded the Future Leader Award for the Fort Worth Chapter as well as the South-Central Region. In her free time, Patty enjoys baking, her family and traveling.

Secretary

Shelie Murphy



Shelie is an Estimator at Commercial Interiors. Sha has been a member since October 2012. She has been integral in chairing the golf tournament committee since 2014 and helping with Block Kids over the years, chairing the 2013-2015 years. Shelie has served as regional block kids chair for 2 years. She enjoys the fact that

the program opens the eyes of children to the fun and fulfillment of the construction industry. She also volunteers at CASA events for Johnson County. Shelle joined the Board as a Director for 2013-2014 and continued the board until 2023 in various roles. Shelle was President for the 2017-2018 year. Shelle is also the Secretary for the Foundation. She looks forward to being your Secretary for the 3rd time. In her free time, Shelie enjoys spending time with family, camping and her fur babies.

Treasurer

Sharon Murphy



Sharon is the Co-Owner and President of AccuTex Electric, LLC which she and her husband Mike established 2002. AccuTex is WBENC & HUB Certified and is a member of the IEC. Sharon has been a member since March 2006. She has benefited from serving on every board position

and many committees through the years. Including President 2 times, she also serves on the Foundation Board. Sharon has received various awards from the Chapter including the Lifetime Achievement. Sharon has been married for almost 40 years and have been blessed with two sons who are happily married, and one grandson. In her spare time, Sharon focuses on her family.

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Directors

Cristy Abernathy



Cristy Abernathy is the Area Sales Manager at Pro Box Portable Storage and has over 25 years in the construction industry. She has been a member since 2023. She is excited to join the Board and hopes to continue her efforts in record-breaking non-profit sponsorships from each company she has represented, and she has spearheaded

numerous special projects that have

elevated NAWIC's visibility and impact within the industry. Her passion for empowering women in construction, coupled with her deep industry knowledge and unmatched drive, make her a dynamic force on the NAWIC board and a powerful advocate for progress. In her spare time, Cristy likes to spend It with her family.

Lindsay Juhl



Lindsay brings two years of dedicated experience in commercial roofing administration, where she developed a strong foundation in project coordination, document management, and client communication. Known for her organizational skills and proactive approach, she strives to ensure that operations run smoothly and efficiently. As a member of NAWIC Fort Worth, she

actively participates in chapter meetings, supports event planning, and engages in professional development opportunities that strengthen industry connections and promote growth for women in construction. She is excited about the opportunity to bring her energy, reliability, and curiosity to the board.

Raina Webb



Raina is a Fire Sprinkler Designer at Firetron. She has been a member since December 2021. Raina has served as the chapter Treasurer 2023-2025, she also was the NEF Design Drafting Chair 2022-2025 and the Safety Committee Chair 2022-2023. In her spare time, Raina has an on-line specialty

store

Parliamentarian Karen Weatherford



Karen is an Estimator at Key Construction. She has been a member since 2011 in both the Waco and Fort Worth chapters. She has held numerous roles with our chapter and was President in 2023-2024 and has filled other roles on the Board as well as chaired and participated in multiple committees including WIC Week, PD&E, Safety and Membership. She is also on the Foundation and NEF Boards. Her goal with NAWIC is to continue educating, encouraging, mentoring and networking to grow our organization as well as women's roles in the industry. In her spare time, she focuses on family, her fur babies and volunteering within her community. As Parliamentarian, while she is not a voting member of the board, she keeps us running smoothly and according to the guidelines set

Maria Carrasco



Maria is the Business Support Manager at SafeRise, LLC. She has worked in the elevator industry for 20 years. with extensive experience in the industry, Maria understands the critical role safety plays in every job site. Maria is also co-owner of Fiber Solutions & Data Systems Inc with her spouse, Albert. Maria has been a member since

August 2025. She is also a member of the Fort Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. In her downtime, she says "You'll find me spending most of my time with my husband Albert and our 3 dogs in Grand Prairie, TX. Away from home, I love to spend time with my grandchildren in Colorado and traveling the world.

Riley Seahorn



Riley is a Senior Estimator at Burns & McDonnell. She enjoys the Precon aspect of her job. Riley has been a member of NAWIC since October 2017, and has held many roles within the chapter, including, Immediate Past President 2021-2022, Chapter President 2020-2021, President Elect, WIC Week Chair, 2019-2020, Chapter

Secretary, Director for 2023-2024, 2022-2023 and 2018-2019. She has also been WIC Week Chair and Co-Chair for multiple years. In her free time, Riley likes to be active and hangs with her dog, Hank.

Immediate Past President Jessica Steel



Jessica is a project Manager with the Projects Group. She has been a member since March 2022. She has served on the Board since 2023 and was President in 2024-2025. Jessica is also an active member of CREW. Jessica loves to spend her free time with her family and friends.

traveling and reading.







Professional Development & Education

REMINDER: We will <u>not</u> have a meeting in August due to National Annual Conference.

See you September 18, 2025 for 2025-2026 Board Installation.







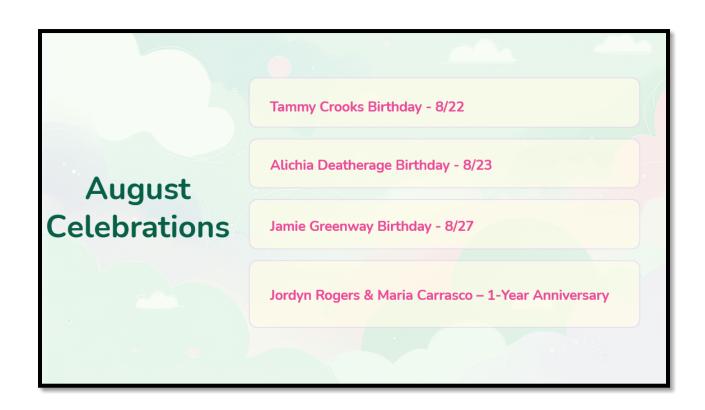
Heat/ Summer Hazards Safety



With the temperature rising, the danger of heat-related conditions, such as heat exhaustion, heat stroke, and heat cramps increases, particularly among workers who have to be exposed to the sun or hot indoor conditions Following are methods to get protection from the heat and avoid OSHA violations.

- Put in regular breaks
- Make available lots of drinking water
- Adjust working hours to early mornings or late afternoons
- Make employees aware of symptoms
- Help new and returning employees adjust and develop tolerance
- Select materials of PPE that are breathable
- Maintain PPE dry and clean
- Be aware of indoor heat dangers caused by machines, bad airflow or enclosed places







Donation Request



The NAWIC Fort Worth Chapter 1 Foundation awarded six scholarships for the Fall 2025 Semester.

Now, it is time to refill our coffers.

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Foundation.

Your support goes entirely to student scholarships and course/certification reimbursements.

Use the QR code to donate or contact us at

fwc1foundation@gmail.com

for more information.







2025-2026 Strategic Planning Meeting

Saturday, September 6, 2025, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm City Works – Shops at Clearfork, 5288 Monahans Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76109



All members are welcome. However, RSVP must be received by 8/29/25.

RSVP to Lori Donnell, lorid.nawic@gmail.com



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