



NAWIC Orange County # 91

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Message from the Board

NAWIC Sisters,

October brought in the new Board with lots of changes and great expectations. Our #1 goal at NAWIC is to increase our membership, which involves getting to know our Community better. Chapter 91 is going to get involved with local organizations that are on the same path, enhancing the success of women in the construction industry. I would like to hear your suggestions on organizations that interest you. Gerry Robins and I have signed NAWIC as a member of the ACE (Architects/Contractors/Engineers) Mentor program in the Newport Mesa Unified School District. ACE will require NAWIC to visit the classroom approximately once a month, to give a presentation on a construction topic. We have lots of members to choose from for these presentations, and would appreciate your volunteering now, because I will call you if you don't!

At the General Membership meeting on October 27, we heard from all of the Committee Chairs and their plans for the coming year. We want you to be comfortable in your time commitment, but we would like everyone to get involved in a committee this year, even if it's for one day or one meeting. The Committee Chairs are listed in the Newsletter; please contact



them for more information on what activities they have planned for the coming year. You can always consult the Calendar on the OC website for upcoming activities.

ALL COMMITTEES NEED VOLUNTEERS.

Jennifer VanBreda is heading up the "Second Harvest Food Drive". We will collect donations at the General Membership meetings. See article on Page 3.

Gerry Robins is working out the details of the Christmas gifts for the Women's Transitional Living Center, look for updates soon.

If you are interested in taking one of the National Education Foundation (NEF) courses, contact me. A few members are planning to take one of the courses and want to start a study group to keep motivated and engaged. We will begin the study group January. Go to Region #12 website (nawic.net), click on Education then NEF for more information on the classes available.

There is a seat open on the

Trustee Committee for Regional Fund Guidelines. If you are interested, contact Donna Castaneda, Estimating Facilitator, Diani Building Corp., 805-925-9533, donnac@diani.com, for more information.

The Annual Planning Conference in San Diego was fabulous. We heard presentations on Sea World and the San Diego Zoo from engineers, architects and construction people involved. There were educational seminars on "Labor and Employment Law", "Fraud in the Workplace" and "How to Win Conflicts between Drawings & Specifications Every Time". For the \$79 registration you get a wealth of information to take with you. **Don't miss the Winter Conference January 23, 2010 hosted by San Gabriel Valley Chapter 110.**

Our business cards are being finalized and will be available to all at our next General Membership meeting, November 24, 2009. Don't miss out on the Blue Print Reading class, November 24, 2009!

Your purpose here is unique. Open your mind and seek!

Molly Huddleston

President, NAWIC OC #91

*Enhancing the Success of
Women in Construction*



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Upcoming Events



- November 11, 2009 – Board Meeting 5:30 @ SimplexGrinnell
- November 24, 2009 – General Membership Meeting @ Embassy Suites Hotel from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM; topic: *How to Read Blueprints*
- November 26, 2009 – **Happy Thanksgiving**

To view the entire 2009 – 2010 Orange County calendar [click here](#)

Birthdays & Anniversaries



November Birthdays:

- Jan LaPointe – 11/10
- Margaret Hakanson – 11/25
- Ruthie Horner – 11/27



November Anniversaries:

- Gerry Robbins – 35 Years

Membership News



The Value of a NAWIC Membership

val•u•a•ble — 1: having monetary value 2: worth a good price 3: having desirable or esteemed characteristics or qualities 4: of great use or service 5: NAWIC membership.

As of November 6, 2009 Orange County's membership has increased to 24. If you have any questions on Membership, please contact Ruthie Horner, our Membership Chair at rhorer@cox.net

Food Drive

NAWIC Chapter #91 will be contributing the local Orange County community this year. With the holidays around the corner, many families need help, some with basic every day items and others just trying to get a hot meal. NAWIC Chapter #91 will be conducting a food drive for Second Harvest of Orange County. Our chapters giving spirit should not end with the holidays; we will contribute through the entire year. Each month at our dinner meetings and our board meeting, please bring any items you wish to donate. The most needed items are listed below. I will be the point of contact for the drop off for all members. Your office may contribute as well as yourself. Second Harvest will pick up all donations we provide them and distribute them to different organizations that are in need.

Personal Care Items Needed:

Diapers, toothpaste and tooth brushes, deodorant, toilet tissue, razors, q-tips, soap, band-aids, combs and brushes and Feminine hygiene items

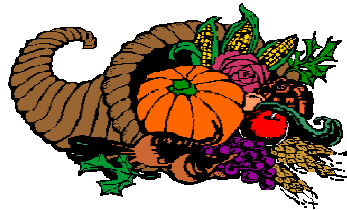
Most needed Items:

Canned meats, canned fish, beef stew,

chili, pastas, macaroni & cheese, rice, beans, canned fruit & vegetables, canned juices, soups, hot & cold cereals, peanut butter

Our donations to Second Harvest will assist in feeding over 220,000 people per month. Cash donations are also acceptable. For every dollar donated, \$12 of food will be provided to the community.

Jennifer VanBreda
Vice President
Orange County Chapter #91



Core Values:

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

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