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President's Message – May 2010 Kathleen Bugbee, CIT

The Alaska NAWIC chapter put together another successful "Breaking New Ground" project this year on April 3rd. Approximately 250 girls scouts from Brownies to Cadettes, had a chance to learn some basic "hands on" skills of various construction trades, as well as participate in Block Kids and a customized Garden Shed program. This annual event is the "brainchild" of a longtime NAWIC member, who unfortunately is not a member this year; however, with her coaching & encouragement, as well as the committees' knowledge & tireless devotion, we were able to pull the whole thing off very effectively.

The entire activity took place at the BP Energy Center with the help of many volunteers from several construction trade Apprenticeships. Some of the activities included the proper use of hammers & saws with carpenters, welding with piledrivers, and bending conduit/stripping wire with electricians. We also had backhoe and welding simulators, which the girls really enjoyed practicing on, and a female surveyor came all the way from Fairbanks to demonstrate the use of a Total Station & Builder's level to the scouts. The Teamsters brought in a large rig which was quite popular (especially the airhorn), and a local plumbing company provided a very interesting & informative display.

Garden Shed was rather special this year; it was suggested to have the troops design a structure to replace a Scout building which had been destroyed by a fire. The Block Kids contest is always remarkable- the ideas that are transposed into those models never cease to amaze us with their creativity! We have received a lot of good feedback from both the troops and volunteers. Hopefully this event will continue to enlighten young women everywhere of the choices open to them for careers in construction.

Betty Jo Dibble gives instructions on the backhoe simulator



Brian Howe and proper sawing techniques



Learning Carpentry Skills



Greetings!

As your partner in training and education, NCCER wants to help you provide women in your leadership team with the opportunity to elevate their careers and their management and leadership roles within their company and the construction industry.

NCCER and the National Association of Women in Construction will host the fourth annual Womens Leadership Academy on June 19-22, 2010 at The Nature Place in Florissant, Colorado. Please contact me for the chance to receive a 10 to 20% discount on tuition.

This academy targets business owners, education directors, office managers, training coordinators, and anyone interested in learning how to be a more effective leader. It consists of three days of intense training sessions specifically geared towards women covering such topics as powerful language skills, gender-based power in business, leadership styles, negotiating techniques, time management, productivity, and conflict resolution.

Denise Norberg-Johnson, an instructor for the academy and the president of NAWIC from 1999 to 2000, said the Womens Leadership Academy is not designed to teach women to manage exactly as men do, but instead embraces gender differences and helps women to make the most of their unique management style.

Women think differently than men, said Johnson. They form relationships and bring their subordinates into the decision-making process, and while this used to be considered weak management, it is now taught across the board as a successful management style.



For more information, or to register, please visit <http://www.nccer.org/academies> or you may call me at 352-334-0911 ext. 102.

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***

***Don't forget to visit the region 9 website!
<http://www.nawicregion9.org/>***

Career Opportunities:

Have you had a chance to check out the career center link on the NAWIC National website yet? It is for employers and job seekers. There are several job opportunities here in Anchorage listed there!

Another website to check out is the State of Alaska Labor & Workforce Development site. Go to labor.state.ak.us Then click on Alaska's Job Bank under "of interest"

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Please let us know if you are interested in a new opportunity or if you have one to list.
All inquires are kept confidential

As Historian, of the Alaska Chapter of NAWIC, I ask for your help in Preserving NAWIC's History. It is my intention to create a digital scrapbook of NAWIC's past events, meetings, and socials for all of the members to enjoy. To contribute your photographs please submit them with the following information

(if known): What Event Year & Date

Who is in the picture All photographs can be remitted to me at the NAWIC general monthly meeting. Hard copy photos will be scanned and promptly returned within one week of remittance. If you would like to submit digital

photos by e-mail please send them to: jessi.cherry@msicontrols.com.

If you have any questions please contact me at the e-mail address listed above.

All of your help will be greatly appreciated!

Thank you,

Jessi Cherry

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Mark your Calendar for Those Important Up Coming Events:

General Meeting - May 12th, 2010 if you are interested, please bring snacks... coordinate with Kathleen Bugbee

@ kathy1281@alaska.net

...Region 9 Forum; May 13th - 19th, Eugene OR

...2010 American Cancer Society "Relay for Life"; May 21st - 22nd. Interested parties please contact Jessi Cherry at 317-8187

...Construction Garage Sale, June 5th, (we have a container for storage - please contact Cindy Sand @ 232-3317 for coordination and directions.

...Golf Tournament, July 8th - more information to come

...Habitat for Humanity - Women's Build, August 13th

2010 Convention, Louisville, KY September 1st through 4th, 2010

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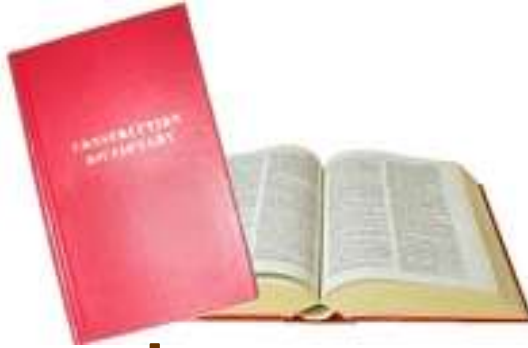
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March, 2010
General Meeting Minutes**

No Minutes

Breaking New Ground

Safety & Orientation w/ Tracy Johnson



Welding Station w/ Tom Hooks

Welding w/ Heather

Bending Conduit



Stripping Wire w/ Gwen

Roberta @ Plumbing Station

Surveying Station w/ Mickie

