

# October 2020 Centerline

## Pikes Peak Chapter 356

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*"Do one thing every day that scares you."*  
-Eleanor Roosevelt

### Events

- 10/8/20- Board Meeting
- 10/15/20 Member Zoom Meeting
- Happy Birthday!
- 10/17 Hilary Roland
- Happy Anniversary!
- Victoria Bartz (10 years)
- Adele Swift Dewey (8 Years)
- Kelly Eustace (5 Years)
- Robin Mercier (4 years)
- Alyssa Vernon (4 years)

Welcome to the 2020-2021 year!

Pikes Peak Chapter 356 have a big and eventful year planned. It is our Chapter's Silver Year – 25 YEARS!! We had a wonderful Installation Ceremony in September to kick everything off and were so thrilled that we could meet and celebrate our Chapter in person! The theme for this year's Board is "Actions Move Mountains." Our Spirit Award was given to Staci Calderon. Pikes Peak Chapter also rolled out a few new awards for Installation this year; Corporate Sponsor of the Year (Double M Concrete), Apprentice Member of the Year (Tammy Pascual), JourneyWoman Member of the Year (Amy Christiansen), Master Member of the Year (to be awarded in the future) and Chapter Member Lifetime Achievement Award (Katie Trapp).

Moving into my new role as Chapter President, I am excited for what is to come in our Chapter's 25th year. Pikes Peak will be supporting the Coronado High School Robotics Team (Cougars Gone Wired), a long-standing tradition in our Chapter. We will be participating in NEF Block Kids and the NEF Design Drafting Competition. (*Did you know that some of our area high schools depend on this program to supplement their curriculum for their students? Without NEF, they wouldn't have curriculum!*) I have a goal of increasing attendance/participation on these two events by 10% each.

Additionally, our WIC Week Committee have plans for a WIC Week Gala Celebration since it is Pikes Peaks 25th Anniversary this year! We will also move forward with our 4th Annual Rosie Run 5K, which is a big fundraiser for our Chapter. I am so excited to see what we can make this event into as it will be the primary funding source for our Chapter's attendance at future conferences. Our Board decided we wanted to help eliminate cost as a reason our members are not able to attend conferences, specifically Annual Conference. I personally am really looking forward to attending all Regional and Annual Conferences in person over the coming year. I am so excited to connect with more of my sisters!

Our Chapter is currently hovering around the 40 member mark. I'd also like to grow that number and my goal is to double it during my 2 year term as President. Despite COVID restrictions, our Chapter has continued to meet monthly via Zoom, or in small groups at member's homes who have the space. Thank you, Valerie Bates, for letting us borrow your home so much! We plan to continue to be accessible to our members and potential members no matter what government restrictions may say. Zoom has been a great platform for us to stay connected even when we can't physically be together. Our current members are looking forward to our holiday celebration, which we hope to do in person also. Again, I am super excited for this new chapter in my life and for Pikes Peak 356! **Actions Move Mountains!**

Allison "Ally" Jencson—President Pikes Peak Chapter 356 /President CEO Front Line Floor Coatings/Founder—GirderSkirts™



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Ally Jencson

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Tammy Pascual

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##### Treasurer

Samantha Walter

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##### Directors

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#### *“We Can Do It!” – Rosie the Riveter*

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# Membership Corner

**Normally, September is the time to renew your NAWIC membership, however, National has recognized times may be challenging for some of our NAWIC members and would like to extend the date.**

**(below is an email from National sent last week)**

YOU, our NAWIC Members, are and always will be the Association's top priority. NAWIC wants to ensure that YOU stay connected and supported through this difficult time we are facing in 2020. Continuing to maintain your NAWIC connections and support systems within your own chapters, regions and nationally is an important part of building strong relationships both professionally and personally. Therefore, we are automatically extending all memberships through Dec. 31, 2020. Each member's type and good standing status as of Sept. 30, 2020 will continue through this extension.

Extending your NAWIC membership provides additional time and opportunity for members, whether affected by the COVID-19 pandemic or not, to utilize the resources provided by NAWIC. You will continue to maintain your access to the Career Center and webinars, as well as professional development and networking opportunities to name just a few of your membership benefits. Please note that this extension will not waive, reduce, or eliminate any part of the membership dues for the 2020-21 NAWIC year.

In addition to the extension, a two-payment option will be available for members to choose when renewing their memberships. Our goal is to have the payment plan option available by Nov. 1, 2020. Watch for more announcements in the coming months!

The National Board would like to personally thank the 1,000+ members who completed the COVID-19 survey conducted in August. If you missed the opportunity to complete the survey, please send any comments or suggestions you have to your Region Director or [president@nawic.org](mailto:president@nawic.org). We sincerely appreciated all the comments and suggestions that were received as part of the survey initiative.

Together, we can overcome this turbulent year and forge stronger relationships in the process. To that end, we will be having the first of a series of virtual town hall meetings next Wednesday, September 9th at 7PM ET/6 PM CT. We'd love to have all of you join us on the [NAWIC YouTube](#) channel for the opportunity to hear about my goals as the new NAWIC National President; share your thoughts, ideas and questions; and hear our plans for the coming year.

Stay safe and healthy!



Pikes Peak

# NAWIC Pikes Peak Chapter 356

## OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING, VIA ZOOM. OUR GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE CAROL HAGEN WITH HAGEN BUSINESS SYSTEMS AND A MEMBER OF THE PHOENIX CHAPTER.

CAROL SPECIALIZES IN SMART TECHNOLOGY FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND WILL BE TALKING TO US ABOUT DOING ESTIMATING TAKEOFFS IN BLUEBEAM. OUR MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL FOLLOW THE PRESENTATION.

# OCTOBER 15, 2020

6PM • ZOOM MEETING

PLEASE RSVP TO SAMANTHA WALTER BY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, AT 12:00 PM

[SAMANTHA.WALTER@RAMPARTTILE.COM](mailto:SAMANTHA.WALTER@RAMPARTTILE.COM)

YOU'LL RECEIVE THE ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION ON THURSDAY MORNING, VIA EMAIL, IF YOUR RSVP HAS BEEN RECEIVED.



# Installation Dinner Highlights





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# Highlights from PSW Region Fall Conference

WestStar Tower Job Site Tour was amazing!! Thank you, Luis for such an informative and fun tour.





# Highlights from PSW Region Fall Conference

**Dr. Ivonne Santiago was inspiring!  
Thank you for sharing your amazing  
story.**



**PSW Fall Conference first timers! Stephanie is one of our newest members and we are so glad she joined us for this trip.**



**Diane Koehle, CIT gave a  
fantastic inspiration!  
You are an amazing  
woman with so much  
joy to share. Welcome  
to PSW Fall Conference.**



# Educational Corner

## NAWIC WEBINARS

No upcoming webinars at this time, but look at all of the archived and you may find something that interests you.

- [Click Here to Login and View All Webinars or to get further information.](#)

## LORMAN WEBINARS

Check them all out [HERE!](#)

## NEF RESOURCES

Check out the awesome website with all the education updates and recourses [HERE!](#)

## NAWIC MENTOR PROGRAM

Chapter Mentor [Program Guidelines](#) and [Resource](#)



# PD&E Committee

Ginger Parry

The beginning of a new year - always a wonderful time to look at what you want or need to accomplish and how far you have come. It was great to see everyone at our installation dinner. While I do enjoy our Zoom meetings, I miss the social aspect of our in-person meetings. Hopefully, we can return to in-person meetings soon. I am excited to be the PD&E/NEF Chair for our chapter. As I learn the ropes of this role, I will strive to do this position justice and I welcome your suggestions. If there are any topics you would like to see - either in the Centerline or at a meeting - please do not hesitate to let me know!

October is such a fun month - I love the cool mornings and Halloween is one of my favorite holidays, plus we start the new year for NAWIC. It is well known that October is Breast Cancer Awareness month, but it is also Careers in Construction month. Both are things I feel we can all appreciate! In my conversations at various meetings, I have learned that I am not alone in the survivor's club. I have many wonderful NAWIC sisters who have also battled breast cancer and won. Let's be proud of ourselves for overcoming such a formidable foe. Congratulations ladies, we have kicked butt!

Some noteworthy items from National: Our PD&E webinar this month is on October 13th at 10:00 AM MST. The webinar this month is "You've Got This!" - How to connect, collaborate, and construct the life you want despite the difficulties you face. Speaking of creating the life you want, the current book for the Leadership Book Club is ***So Now What? A Guide for People Who Feel Stuck*** by Catherine A. Brennan. Those who attended the July meeting at Valerie's house may recognize it - it is the book she read the inspiration from. I have the book but will admit that I have only thumbed through the pages. It is on my "must read" list, which seems to grow by the day.

Quote of the Month: "You have to be odd to be number one." Dr. Seuss

Webinar: October 13, 2020 10:00 a.m. MST "You've Got This!" – How to Connect, Collaborate and Construct the Life You Want Despite the Difficulties You Face

[join.freeconferencecall.com/pdenawic](https://join.freeconferencecall.com/pdenawic) / Password: nawiccom20193

Leadership Book Club: *So Now What? A Guide for People Who Feel Stuck* by Catherine A. Brennan

Did You Know? In the 1940's Trick or Treating was halted because war time rationing had curtailed the use of sugar?

# ARE YOU A GREAT LEADER?



Check out the summary of qualities and traits of a leader, and how to become an effective leader. (Courtesy of NAWIC website)

Click [HERE!](#)



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# Construction Humor

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freakin' do



if it's brown,  
flush it down



evening,  
ma'am



flap flap!  
I'm a penguin!



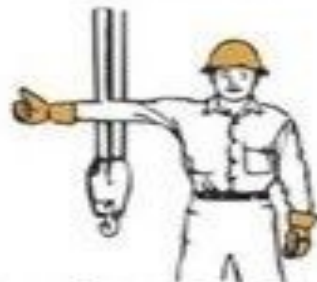
drop it like  
it's hot



can I borrow  
your car?



elbows off  
that table



hey, thumbs up  
if you like  
penguins



dance break!  
let's boogie.



invisible  
horsey ride



man. I love  
penguins.



group  
shower?



anyone seen  
my fanny pack?



hey look! a penguin!  
(LOL I wish)



yodelay-  
ee-hoo!!



staring out the  
window thinkin'

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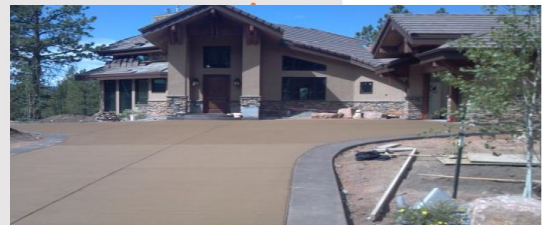
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- Commercial
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Full Page	\$100.00

Your ad will run for one full year from the time of receipt. Send your business card or copy and check to:  
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Thank you for your support of Colorado Springs NAWIC Chapter #356

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