

2003 Spirit Award Recipient: Katie Trapp

Presented by Cathy Andrew

“SPIRIT” has many meanings...being of dedicated character...having a strong loyalty...the nature of a person...integrity...generosity, to name a few.

This is how [Katie] is seen by her fellow members:

Incredible integrity...always, and I mean always, a positive person...a sense of camaraderie... has a “can do” attitude...encourages other to strive...her commitment to her word is unmatched...kindness and respect...is there when you need help...and when you think she’s done it all – she gives more.

Her energy and enthusiasm are contagious. She never puts herself front and center but stays in the background and works hard. She enjoys learning about the construction world and loves to teach what she knows to others. She is always thinking about her fellow members and often times she brings food to committee functions. Her willingness to bring in community support for our NAWIC events is wonderful. Her involvement while serving on numerous committees is an inspiration to us all. Not only has she unselfishly supported and participated for a number of years on the Playhouse committee, CAD/Drafting Design Contest, Women In Construction Week, ... and Block Kids, but as in true NAWIC spirit, she stepped up to the “work bench” and has chaired one of these committees for several years now. Amongst all this, she had time to be a secretary for our chapter.

As a dedicated and compassionate member of NAWIC, she is always getting the word out that NAWIC is part of the Colorado Springs community. She does this by going to the local schools and libraries to talk to the teachers and kids about construction as a career choice for all including girls. Through NAWIC Block Kids program, she encourages them to build with Legos, and create buildings for their future. As a former teacher herself, she knows how to reach the young — and children are our future.

With all that she does and more, we believe [Katie] embodies the NAWIC spirit, and is an inspiration to us all. Congratulations, Katie!