# National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Pikes Peak Chapter #356

September

#### September Events

**September 4:** Board Meeting (Bryan Construction)

**September 18:** Board Installation and Awards Ceremony (The CarterPayne) \*RSVP by September 4th

**September 25:** Southern Colorado Construction Career Days (Norris Penrose Event Center) \*Volunteers Needed - see page 3

#### **Future Events**

October 1, 2025 - New Fiscal Year Begins

**October 2:** October Board Meeting (Bryan Construction)

**October 9-11:** NAWIC Southwest Region Fall Conference (San Diego, CA)

October 23: October Membership Meeting (Bryan Construction) \*Registration coming soon!

**October 25:** NEF Block Kids 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Boo-Ling Party (King Pin Lanes, Colorado Springs)



As material for the construction of our building, I pledge the agility of my hands, the ability of my mind, and the integrity of my heart.

- Alice Ashley
Founding member of Women in
Construction of Fort Worth 1953

#### Recent Events Recap:

August Membership Meeting:

Hosted by Timberline Landscaping
Our August **Membership Meeting** was
a success at Timberline Landscaping
on August 28<sup>th</sup>.

Dinner was catered and the very informative **Greta Woldtvedt** from All Phase Restoration, presented to the group: "Water Damage 101".





Gina Green with
Granite
Engineering Group
shared a video and
moments of
inspiration to kick
off the evening.





Samantha Walters presented Greta Woldtvedt with her Guest Speaker Certificate in appreciation of her time and presentation to our chapter.

Jessica O'Connell and Ashley Stoever welcomed Pikes Peak new member Kaitlyn Powell with her Chapter Membership Certificate and red rose.



Kristen Ibarra,
immediate past
president, shared the
national budget
update from recently
attended Annual
Conference in Boston.



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Samantha Walter Bryan Construction



It's hard to believe that the 2024-2025 year will soon be coming to a close.

Attending the 70th Annual Conference in Boston was yet again a wonderful experience.

It's inspiring to see the impact that women supporting other women in the construction industry can have. The support of our incoming national president, Rita Brown, is apparent and strong.

I have enjoyed working with the women of our current board this past year. I'm proud of the overall progress that we've made to continue the growth of our chapter.

I look forward to the coming year with the incoming board and what we will do next to continue to make our chapter the best that it can be.

I can't wait to celebrate with you all at our Board Installation & Awards Ceremony at The Carter Payne!





The 2025 NAWIC National Annual Conference was held August 20-23 in Boston, Massachusetts this year.

Samantha Walter and Kristen Ibarra had the opportunity to attend is 70th Annual Conference along with other female leaders in the Construction Industry from all over the United States.

The conference featured leadership training, discussions on technology, inclusion, worker well-being, and other topics.











#### September Board Meeting

The board met September 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at **Bryan Construction**.

#### October Board Meeting

The board will meet on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30pm at **Bryan Construction.** 



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NAWIC Pikes Peak 356 Board Installation and Chapter Awards Ceremony

September 18th, 2025 Location: The Carter Payne • 5:30-9pm

The evening will include a chef curated, three course Mexican dinner. A cash bar will be available with a limited offering of Local Relic crafted beers and a selection of red and white wines.

Come and celebrate yourself, our fellow women in construction, and our sponsors!

Public paid parking is available on the west side of the church on Pueblo Avenue. (Next to venue where main entrance to building is located.)

The dress code for this event is business casual up to semi-formal.

Registration now closed. We hope you got your tickets and we'll see you there!







#### Southern Colorado Construction Career Days

September 25th, 2025 Location: Norris Penrose Event Center 9

www.sococareerdays.com.

Volunteer as a Group Leader at Southern Colorado Construction Career Days!

We're looking for Group Leaders to guide and inspire the next generation of construction professionals!

As a Group Leader, you'll be assigned 10-15 students and accompany them through handson activities, ensuring they get the most out of this exciting career exploration day.

- Orientation: Before students arrive, we'll go over procedures to set you up for success!
- No experience needed—just a positive attitude and enthusiasm for mentoring!
- Be part of shaping the future of the construction industry! Sign up today!

Register today by clicking the logo or website above: For more information: email info@sococareerdays.com



2025 NAWIC Pacific Southwest Region Fall Conference

October 10-11, 2025 Location: San Diego, CA 🔻



Register today to get Regular Registration price (closes 9/17).

Late Registration closes 10/3.

We are looking for gift card donations to be used as a chance prize for the conference. All proceeds go directly to the NAWIC Pikes Peak Chapter 356 General Fund, which helps:

- Support educational programming and professional development opportunities
- Provide resources for chapter growth and member engagement
- Fund operational needs that keep our organization strong and sustainable

Your donation of a gift card-big or small-makes a meaningful impact!

If you'd like to contribute, please reach out to Fundraising Chair, Jessica O'Connell, 719-310-4848 fundraising@nawic356.org and let us know what gift card(s) you'd like to donate.

Thank you for helping us make this a successful conference while strengthening the mission of NAWIC!



Around 63 million Americans volunteer annually, contributing 7.7 billion hours valued at approximately \$175 billion



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The Construction Suicide Prevention Week (CSPW) website has a <u>range of resources</u> aimed at preventing suicide deaths and addressing contributing factors, including Toolbox Talks, Hazard Alert Cards, infographics, and trainings.

**Resources** are available in <u>English</u> and <u>Spanish</u> to make conversations easier and more normalized about the topic.

The *Toolbox Talks* handouts below are just a few of the many available in both languages (each is a live link to click on):

- · Construction and suicide
- Reducing stigma
- Recognizing the warning signs
- Supporting Veterans
- Starting the Conversation

# **SAFETY**

#### **OSHA ALLIANCE**

Did you know that <u>5 times</u> as many construction workers die each year from suicide as from work-related incidents? The rate of suicide in construction is more than <u>4 times</u> higher than the general population. (Source: BLS)

Construction Suicide Prevention
Week, September 8-12 this year,
provides an opportunity to discuss
the unique challenges our industry's
workers face that contribute to
suicide and what we can do to
prevent it. Be encouraged to
implement an annual stand-down
and moment of silence to honor
those lost. It's time to bring suicide
prevention into our safety talks.

You can also <u>order materials</u> and resources to share with your crews:

- T-shirts
- Drinkware
- Hardhat Stickers
- Wristbands
- Magnets
- Stress Balls
- Job Site Banners



Create a plan and process to educate your crews monthly and to do routine check-in's when something seems "off."



construction are at the highest risk for suicide of any industry.

Men in









Check out the Products of the Month Here on the National Site



Carhartt Crossbody Snap Bag

## DID YOU KNOW?

If you need assistance paying for membership meetings we have members willing to assist. Please reach out to your President, **Samantha Walter** via email at <a href="mailto:president@nawic356.org">president@nawic356.org</a> for more information.



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#### National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Pikes Peak Chapter #356

#### Get Featured in the Centerline Member Spotlight!



We want to learn more about the amazing women that make up NAWIC Pikes Peak Chapter 356!

Please sign up to be in the Spotlight in a future edition of the Centerline. It only takes a minute to complete the form HERE. Send any questions to your Centerline editor, Jen Cáceres at jc@perpetualcapacity.com

October Membership

Meeting

October 23rd . 2025 Location: Bryan

Construction ?

Registration details will be available soon!

We're excited to share that **Kristen** Ibarra has joined Ashlev Stoever and Jessica O'Connell on the NAWIC Pikes Peak Chapter 356 Membership & Marketing Committee!

Together, this team will continue working hard to grow our chapter, support our members, and spread the word about NAWIC.



If your NAWIC membership is expiring in September, don't forget to renew!

Renewing your membership ensures you continue to enjoy all the benefits of being part of NAWIC, including:

- Networking with women across the construction industry
- Professional and leadership development opportunities
- Access to resources, education, and scholarships
- Supporting the mission of strengthening and amplifying the voices of women in construction



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Chapter Member Count: #41

Let's keep building together! Renew today and stay connected with NAWIC Pikes Peak Chapter 356.

Contact our Membership Committee at membership@nawic356.org to renew or ask questions.

#### NEF Block Kids 3rd Annual Boo-Ling Party Fundraiser

October 25th, 2025 Location: King Pin Lanes









Join us for an afternoon of fun and bowling from 2pm-5pm.

Cost: \$30/person or \$100/4-person team

Enjoy bowling, raffle prizes, and a costume contest! Don't miss out on the chance to win and have a great time!

Raffle Tickets: \$5 each or 5 for \$20 (cash or card accepted)

Additional ways you can sponsor the 2026 Block Kids Event:

The Boo-Ling Party Fundraiser on 10/25: Gift basket sponsor (\$100 / 4 needed)

Receive 1 ticket to bowling event

Lane sponsor (\$250 / 2 needed)

Receive 2 tickets to bowling event



Block Kids Event (Jan/Feb 2026)

Drink & Snack Sponsor (\$250 / 1 needed)

• Receive 2 tickets to bowling event

Goodie Bag Sponsor (\$500 / 1 needed)

Receive 2 tickets to bowling event

Lego Sponsor (\$750 / 2 needed)

• Receive 2 tickets to bowling event

Please reach out to Naomi Kidd at blockkidspp356@gmail.com with questions or inquiries!



@nawicpp356



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**NAWIC Anniversary** Recognitions

#### Kim S.

Monument Roofing of Colorado (a Tecta America Co.)



#### Kaitlyn P.

ChalkLine Construction



#### Heather R.

Powerhouse Insurance Consultants

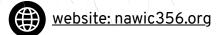


#### Rana A.

Delta Consulting Group



Lela N. - Sept. 1 Heather R. - Sept. 1 Samantha W. - Sept. 21 Naomi K. - Sept. 25



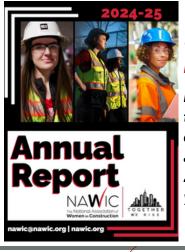
### PROFESSIONAL VELOPMENT



Did you know that you can get various construction certifications through the NAWIC Education Foundation? Visit their website today to learn more!

Looking for a change or new career in construction?

Check out the NAWIC Career Website and see what the future holds!



The Annual Report is In!

Read it here to learn everything about the 2024-2025 year!



Check out NAWIC.org's Leadership page, complete with blog posts, links to leader development opportunities and women just like you who are leading in construction!



#### **BUILT TO LEAD**

September Quote

"A woman with a voice is, by definition, a strong woman."

-Melinda Gates





Are you okay? ¿Estás bien? (Es-tas-bee-en?)

Helpful YES or NO Q's

Do you need help?

¿Necesitas ayuda?

(Nes-es-see-tas- eye-you-duh?)

**Vowels - Las Vocales** 

The A = ahfaster E = eh you say I = ee these, O = Othe more U = oohfun it is!

hard hat casco (cahs-co)

boots botas (bow-ta's)



guantes (want-eh's)

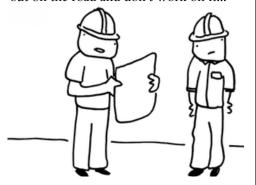
safety vest chaleco de seguridad (cha-lay-co-day -say -goo-re-dad)



Did you know? Al systems can identify safety risks, like improper equipment use or lack of safety gear, and can also analyze data to predict and prevent future hazards.

# Construction

hmmm... the schedule is fine for the most part, but i'm not sure about the month where we leave all the orange barrels out on the road and don't work on it...





At Random Comics by Ryan Mason

Poised for the ultimate joke, he pressed the stud finder against his chest, but it



Employees who laugh with their coworkers are 23% more likely to feel engaged at work.

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#### Sponsorship Program - BUILD IT UP

The <u>Build It Up sponsorship program</u> is a way for NAWIC Pikes Peak Chapter #356 to increase its revenue, while at the same time developing relationships with other organizations and companies in our community. Our hope is that through the sponsorship program, we can fund the important service and education projects designed to reach out to people in need of and deserving of our support.



The sponsorship period runs October thru September, (NAWIC's fiscal year). New Build It Up packages will be updated in the September issue of *Centerline* for the 2025-2026 year, going into effect on October 1, 2025.

- Build It Up Platinum
- Build It Up Gold
- Build It Up Silver
- Build It Up Bronze



For more detailed information regarding the 2025-2026 packages, or to learn more about chapter events and programs, please contact our president **Samantha Walter** at <a href="mailto:president@nawic356.org">president@nawic356.org</a> or visit our chapter website - link below!

\*A link to our new sponsorship form will be in the October issue of *Centerline* 

#### Social Media REMINDER

We can't tag you in our NAWIC Pikes Peak Chapter 356 posts if you're not following our pages.

Make sure to hit that Follow button so we can celebrate and highlight you in our updates!

Also, if you have something you'd like shared on our chapter's social media, please reach out to our Social Media Chair, **Jessica O'Connell** nawicpp356@gmail.com.

We'd love to help highlight you and your news!



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