

Newsletter

SOLID GROUND



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June Events

June 4: Board Meeting (Bryan Construction)

June 18: June Membership Meeting - Board Elections & Generational Communication (Pueblo Viejo - N. Academy Blvd.)

July Events

July 17: Clay Shoot Fundraiser

There will be no July board meeting due to the 4th of July holiday. The fundraiser event will be our chapter activity for the month of July.



2026

June



**A Message From Our
Colorado Springs Chapter 356
President**

Samantha Walter
Bryan Construction

We rounded out the month of May by attending the **PSW Region Spring Forum in Los Angeles** where Lilian Perez shared the importance of using our full name, Hilda Solis shared her story of being told in high school to become a secretary but would serve as the 25th US Secretary of Labor from 2009 to 2013, tradeswomen shared their experiences on the job site and building their businesses, and we celebrated the accomplishments of the chapters within our region at the Old Hollywood Banquet. Attending this forum was a great way to connect and share ideas with the other women in our region. I'm always inspired by the speakers' knowledge and experience that they present and I hope to bring more ideas to our chapter to engage our chapter members.

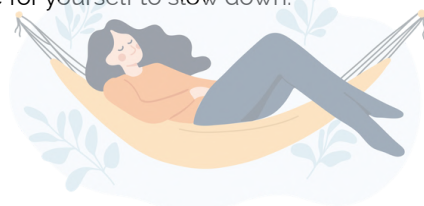
Allison Jencson's presentation, Construction of a R.E.B.E.L. was powerful. Being given reminders that you choose how you start the day and to show up as the best version of you, and that we are the average of the five people we spend the most time with, are just some of the amazing takeaways from our May membership meeting.

At our **June membership meeting**, not only will we be voting for our 2026-2027 board, we'll also hear from Stephanie Leclerc about generational communication and looking for your input on our chapter dues structure for the coming year.

Information and flyers have been distributed for our **clay shoot fundraising event on July 17, 2026**. I'd like to personally ask that each of our members not only share the event with your own company, but to share it with as many of your connections as possible and to ask those connections to share it as well. Whether that is in an email, a phone call, a text or on LinkedIn.

With the **summer solstice** only weeks away on June 21, and warmer weather on the horizon, I hope you all take in the extra sunshine coming our way, spend time with family and friends, get out in nature, and most importantly take some time for yourself to slow down.

- Samantha



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**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



GRAB YOUR SWAG!



*If you are experiencing difficulty covering the cost of the meeting, please don't hesitate to reach out to our Chapter President, Samantha Walter, for assistance. We want to ensure everyone has the opportunity to participate.

JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING -

2026-2027 Board Elections and Generational Communication

When: Thursday - June 18, 2026

Location: Pueblo Viejo Mexican Restaurant, 5598 N. Academy Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80918

Time: 5:30 - 8:00pm

Cost: \$5 - Members | \$10 - Non-Members

RSVP via Zeffy by Monday, June 15th, 2026



Join us for the 2026-2027 Board Elections.

Your opinion is vital in determining who will lead us in the coming year. The slate of candidates was presented at the May Membership Meeting, but there is always an opportunity to nominate someone else or yourself from the floor. This is one way to enact change in the chapter. To ensure the election is valid, we need to reach a quorum. Your presence is appreciated and essential to helping us complete this process.

In addition to the board elections, we'll be looking for our members input on the dues structure for the coming year and treasurer, Stephanie Leclerc will be sharing information on generational communication.

Please note: There are no refunds for cancellations or no-shows



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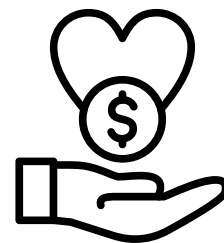
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CLAY SHOOT FUNDRAISER

SAVE THE DATE!

JULY 17TH

(This event will replace the July monthly membership meeting)



Register
Now

4 Person (Team) Entry \$500

2 Person Entry* \$275

Single Person Entry* \$150

*Single and 2 person entries will be combined to make one four person team.

- 7:00-8:00 Registration & Breakfast
- 8:15 Gun rental brief/handout
- 8:30 Safety brief
- 8:45 Shoot START
- 12:00 PM Shoot END
- 12:00-1:30 Lunch & Awards



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		Available	Entry(ies) to Event	Logo recognition on on-site poster boards	Provide Banner for Display at event	Logo on Scorecards	Social Media Recognition	Golf Cart to use at event	Speaking Time at event	Listed on all email announcements	Lunch	Provide signage at the shooting station	Trapper, operates the trap machine
Venue Sponsor	\$1,200	2	4		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
Lunch Sponsor	\$750	4	2		x	x	x			x	x		
Event Sponsor	\$400	8	1	x			x			x	x		
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**CONSTRUCTION-
RELATED NON-
NAWIC
UPCOMING
EVENT**

SEPTEMBER 10, 2026



Southern Colorado Construction Career Days (SCCCD) is an annual hands-on event designed to introduce high school students to the wide range of career opportunities available in the construction industry.

The 2026 event will take place on **Thursday, September 10, 2026**, at the *Norris Penrose Event Center* in Colorado Springs. Hosted in partnership with local contractors, industry leaders, and educators, this dynamic event gives students the chance to explore trades such as carpentry, electrical, heavy equipment operation, masonry, and more. Unlike a traditional career fair, SCCCDC is all about experience. Students participate in interactive learning labs where they can operate machinery, try out tools, and engage directly with skilled professionals. **The goal is simple: inspire the next generation to consider rewarding, high-demand careers in construction while helping address the industry's workforce shortage.**

Volunteer Opportunities SCCCDC relies heavily on industry volunteers to make the event a success. Volunteers are needed to help with registration, setup, takedown, lunch, traffic control, group leadership, and activity stations. Whether you're a seasoned professional or early in your career, volunteering is a meaningful way to give back, share your knowledge, and help shape the future of the industry.

Sponsors gain visibility and the opportunity to connect with future talent. Sponsorship plays a vital role in bringing SCCCDC to life. Contributions help fund breakfast, lunch, and overall event operations. Levels range from in-kind donations and \$500 snack sponsorships to \$5,000+ platinum sponsorships. Benefits may include recognition on the website and social media, ads in the Career Guide, event signage, opportunities to provide branded materials, and participation in event activities or announcements. By supporting SCCCDC, your organization is investing in workforce development and strengthening the construction industry in Southern Colorado.

Get Involved! Whether through volunteering, sponsoring, or simply spreading the word, your participation makes a lasting impact.

Together, we can build pathways to success for the next generation of construction professionals.

<https://www.sococareerdays.com/>

**VOLUNTEERS
needed**



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LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT



2026 Awards Now Open Submissions Close June 10th

Nominate someone today!
([Click the image above](#))

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With Guest Speaker

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THURSDAY

June 25, 2026



STARTS AT

11 a.m. (CT)

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What's Happening in June...



Pride Month



Men's Health
Month



Flag Day,
June 14th

**JUNE
TEENTH**

June 19th

**FATHER'S
DAY**

Sunday, June 21st



Laura M. - June 23rd

*Membership
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Tamie Sharp - 1 year

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Patti H. - 1 year

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Jen Cáceres has over 10 years experience working with owners and leaders in trades and construction.

She specializes in partnering with leaders who are navigating the different generations at work, struggling with culture, engagement, and retention while trying to lead from who they've become today.





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