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General Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month. Meeting locations will be announced. For additional information, contact Char Terpsma CBT, CCA, CDS, CIT at 616-717-5070.

Board meeting will be held on August 27 at 5:30 pm at GZA GeoEnvironmental.

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**General Meeting Information
Wednesday, September 10, 2014**

**Characteristics of Successful
Women
&
WIC of the Year Announcement
Installation of 2014 - 2015 Board members**

Dinner and Networking

Cost: \$15.00

(See Page 4 for flyer and more details)

RSVP BY 12pm on Sept 5th:

Leslie Nelson at leslie.nelson@gza.com

* A Reservation Made is a Reservation Paid.

DATES TO LIST ON YOUR CALENDAR:

September 10 - General Membership Meeting / WIC of the Year / Presentation

October 8 - General Membership Meeting / Job Site Tour

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Presidents Message



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - SEPTEMBER 2014

How time flies. The summer is almost over! On August 20, Leslie Nelson and Tammy Clark represented our Chapter at the Annual NAWIC Michigan Joint-Chapters Meeting which was held in Livonia, Michigan. I'm looking forward to hearing all about the meeting.

As our NAWIC year will be ending soon and we are eagerly anticipating another exciting year, our committees are planning next year's meetings and events. If you would like to volunteer to help with a committee, please contact Leslie Nelson. A schedule of the meetings and events for the 2014-2015 year will be available soon.

If you haven't renewed your membership yet, take a minute to renew it now!

I would like to thank our 2013-2014 Chapter Board and each of our Committee Chairs for their time and talents in making decisions for our Chapter. I appreciate their dedication to our Chapter in organizing our meetings, events and fundraisers. Thank you so much for your help!

Thank you Leslie, Tammy and Michelle for representing our Chapter at the upcoming AMEC! I know we're all looking forward to hearing all about your trip to Indy and the great seminars at AMEC! Take a lot of notes and pictures. Have a safe and fun trip!

I'd like to wish you all a fun and safe Labor Day holiday too!

As always, my door and email are both always open should you need to contact me.

Char Terpsma CBT, CCA, CDS, CIT, President



WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE REGION

Check out our Region 4 webpage! Visit the newsletter page for information on what is happening in our Region.

<http://www.nawic4.org/>

**2013-2014
NATIONAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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The 2014-2015 NAWIC year is fast approaching! Are you ready to get more involved? Our chapter operates best when we have lots of member involvement. We have committees that focus on membership and programs for the chapter. Please talk to Char Terpsma or Leslie Nelson if you have questions or are ready to get more involved. This is your opportunity to help shape the next year for our chapter!

2013-2014 Chapter 194 Committees

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chair: Jenny Waugh
(jwaugh@rockfordconstruction.com)
Alyssa Veneklase
Kristy Hawkins - PR/ Marketing / WIC Week
Tanya Fredricks - Newsletter & Monday Minds
Barb Nugent, CDS, CIT - Website
Jane Thelen - WIC of the Year
Michelle Euker - WIC of the Year

FINANCE

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Ways & Means

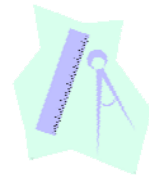
Katy Kurkiewicz - Door Prizes

PROGRAMS, EDUCATION & PROJECTS

Chair: Leslie Nelson P.E.
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Erin Caszett - Block Kids
Tiffany Stuart - Scholarship
Katy Kurkiewicz - Historian

Audit

Jane Thelen



LINKS

NAWIC International
www.nawic.org

The Connection
www.nawic.org/nawic/Connection

Announcements
www.nawic.org/nawic/Announcements

NEF – Education Insider
www.nawiceducation.org

Region 4
www.nawic4.org

AIA Grand Rapids Chapter
www.aia-gr.org

Construction Specifications
Institute
Michigan Chapter
www.csigrandrapids.org

American Society of Professional
Estimators
www.aspenational.org

American Subcontractors
Association
www.asamichigan.net

Construction Finance Management
Association of West Michigan
www.westmi.cfma.org

See NAWIC194 website for more links
www.nawic194.org



IT'S HERE:

Facebook page for our local chapter NAWIC Grand Rapids Chapter #194!

Check us out at:

<https://www.facebook.com/NAWIC194>

WATCH FOR CHANGES!

Check out the New Look on the NAWIC Grand Rapids Chapter website at

<http://nawic194.org/>

Coming soon...a new look to our Chapter Newsletter!

Have suggestions or something you would like to see in the newsletter?
Email comments to nawic194newsletter@gmail.com

September Meeting

NAWIC #194

Characteristics of Successful Women

Please Join Us!



NAWIC Chapter 194 invites you to join us in welcoming Cheryl Schuch from Family Promise. Cheryl has been the Executive Director of Family Promise since January of 2010. She is also on the Steering Committee for Habitat for Humanity. Cheryl will be speaking to us about the characteristics that make women successful in the work place. We will also be inducting our new Board of Directors for the NAWIC 2014-2015 program year. We are looking forward to a fun evening!

Location: ABC Headquarters
580 Cascade W. Parkway, SE,
Grand Rapids, MI 49546-2106

Event: Dinner and Networking, Presentation, and
Induction of 2014-2015 Board of Directors

Cost: \$15

Date of Meeting: 9/10/14

Time of Meeting: 5:30 pm



NAWIC #194 Please RSVP to:
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Or (616) 258-7222

**WIC of the Year presentation will be held at the September meeting!
Members don't forget to mail in your nominations—Due August 31!**

October Meeting



NAWIC CHAPTER 194
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2014
5:30pm

Join us **Wednesday, October 8** for a jobsite tour at the Hampton Inn on Michigan Street. Pioneer Construction will be finishing up foundations and setting precast. The project will also be nearing completion with the first portion of the 3-level parking ramp so there will be alot happening! Five floors of hotel space will be constructed above the ramp, and the project is scheduled to be complete by September 2015 for ArtPrize.



The jobsite is located on Michigan Street just east of College Avenue. There is a large parking lot next to the site. After the tour, we will walk right over to El Barrio for dinner and the meeting. We have dinner reservations in the private dining room at 6:00.



El Barrio's address is 545 Michigan Street NE.

El Barrio and the jobsite share a driveway, so if you get to El Barrio, you can't miss Hampton Inn!


Please RSVP to Leslie Nelson at leslie.nelson@gza.com. We will be ordering individually off the menu.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY




Aileen Leipprandt—September 20

Tiffany Stuart—September 22




HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Lisa Wisniewski—September 2004

THE WATER COOLER



A brief overview of what you need to know:

- **September 3-6, 2014** NAWIC Annual Meeting and Educational Conference.
- **September 10, 2014** General Meeting / WIC of the Year Award / Installation of 2014-2015 Board Members.
- **October 8, 2014** General Meeting / Job Site Tour

Invite a guest to see what NAWIC Chapter #194 is all about.

Invite someone today!

NAWIC Core Values:

Believe, Persevere, Dare.

NAWIC Core Purpose:

To enhance the success of women in the construction industry.

NAWIC EXPLANATIONS

NAWIC: National Association of Women In Construction

Region 4: 1: NAWIC is divided into 14 regions 2: Region 4 represents Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia 3: Currently has 21 Chapters 4: Currently there are no Chapters located in West Virginia 5: Region 4 is the largest region in respect to the number of members.

Regional Director: 1: Each Region is represented by a director that serves on the National Board. 2: The director is elected by the members of their region and their term is for two years. 3: Even numbered regions expire on even years; odd numbered regions expire on odd years, allowing for a 1 year overlap. 4: Region 4's next director will be elected at Spring Forum 2012 5: Presides over all regional events/activities and attends to needs of the Chapters.

National Convention: 1: The coming together of NAWIC members from the United States and Canada, international affiliates and event sponsors, typically in September of every year 2: Keynote speakers, professional workshops and association workshops are offered during this three-four day event 3: Business requiring member voting is conducted 4: Installation of National Officers and Directors.

Forum: Forum \ 'For-em \ noun – 1: The coming together of NAWIC Chapters (i.e. Region 4 = Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky), typically in the Spring of every year 2: Three day event, full of educational and networking opportunities via keynote speakers and workshops 3: Core purpose is to enhance the opportunities of women in the construction industry.

APC: Annual Planning Conference – 1: This regional one day event is typically held in October or November on a Saturday. 2: Workshops focus on officers' job descriptions and committee functions.

NEF: NAWIC Education Foundation – 1. Provides certification programs related to the construction industry 2: Provides K-12 programs that promote the construction industry 3: Provides online Health & Safety programs 4: Provides additional construction related educational opportunities.

NFSF:NAWIC Founders Scholarship Foundation – Administered by past NAWIC National Presidents, 2: Provides scholarships to individuals pursuing a college degree based on specific criteria, 3: Applications are due in February of every year.

Note from the Newsletter Editor: Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. As a thank you for reading the newsletter each issue I will have a challenge for you. The Challenge for this issue of the newsletter is: Invite a Guest to an upcoming Meeting!