

NEW MEMBER INITIATIONS

On behalf of the _____ (chapter) Chapter, it is a great pleasure to welcome you to the National Association of Women in Construction.

NAWIC is an organization of women working in the construction industry, women who are motivated by a desire for self-improvement and eager to learn how to be of even greater service to their profession and industry. Its membership is diverse and embraces women in all kinds of jobs and at all levels of responsibility within the field of construction.

NAWIC is a truly democratic organization in which every member is important. It is self-governing, non-sectarian, non-partisan and has no affiliation with any religious, fraternal or labor group.

On all levels, NAWIC is involved in two primary activities: career development of the individual member in terms of education, and service to the construction industry in terms of scholarship and career recruiting.

And now, it is my pleasure to give you a red rose, which is the flower of the National Association of Women in Construction. You are also being provided with a copy of our Chapter roster. Please don't hesitate to call any one of us for help or for information you might need. We give you a Chapter Membership Certificate and card, and hope you will display them with pride.

_____ is your mentor. Her name and phone numbers are in the Chapter roster. She will be glad to assist you in any way she can.

Congratulations and welcome to the wonderful world of NAWIC!

Tonight we welcome ____ new members to our Chapter. They are_____. (Introduce the new member(s) and present a brief resume of her business and personal background.)

As a NAWIC member, you will want to know everything you can about NAWIC. It's history, goals, accomplishments and activities so that you may be a full participant in future achievements. You will want to share NAWIC by sponsoring other eligible women so that our Chapter will continue to grow and flourish.

A few minutes each day devoted to reading the NAWIC Manual, including the National and Chapter Bylaws, will help you to become as competent in the world of NAWIC as you are in the business world.

CONGRATULATIONS! We know you will enjoy being a NAWIC member, and our Chapter will be strengthened through your participation.

It is my pleasure to introduce to the members and guests, these new members of our Chapter:

_____ with _____ Company

_____ with _____ Company

_____ with _____ Company

By joining NAWIC, you have expressed your interest in this unique association. WE HELP IN BUILDING AMERICA. Being a concerned association and industry-oriented, it is our desire to learn more about the trades and to be more valuable to our profession.

As a member of NAWIC, you will want to know everything you can about our history, our goals and accomplishments. You are expected to attend the Chapter's regular meetings and when you cannot, we ask that you cancel (opt.). We hope you will want to attend the Board of Directors' meetings (opt.) This is where you will learn about YOUR Chapter. By doing this you will become enthusiastic, driven with desire to be a full participant in the functions of the association. You will enjoy and benefit by attending Region conferences, Annual Forum and the NAWIC Annual Conference held in August. Here you will meet others outside our Chapter with similar interest and goals.

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Each of your mentors' names and phone numbers is in your Chapter roster. They will be glad to assist you in any way they can.

Members, watch for the red ribbon attached to their name tags this year. These are your new members. Please make them feel welcome.

Congratulations to all of you and welcome to the _____ (chapter name) _____ Chapter of NAWIC!

PRESIDENT: This evening we would like to share with you the welcoming of _____ new members into the world of NAWIC. This is a very special moment in the life of a NAWIC member - joining the ever-widening circle of professional women in construction a new opportunity to broaden her horizons!

As I call your name, will you please come forward. _____

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR: On behalf of the _____ Chapter of the National Association of Women in Construction, I welcome each of you. It is a real pleasure to have you in our Chapter and we look forward to getting to know each of you better. As a member of this organization, you will be working with us toward the furtherance of our "purpose".

The core purpose of this Association shall be to strengthen and amplify the success of women in the construction industry.

Do each of you accept and adopt NAWIC's purpose? (RESPONSE: I Do)

_____ your mentor is _____.

_____ your mentor is _____.

(*Mentor program optional with each Chapter.)

Your mentor's name and phone number are on the front of your manuals. She will be glad to assist you with any needs you might have.

I now declare each of you members in good standing of the _____ Chapter # _____ of the National Association of Women in Construction.

PRESIDENT: As President of Chapter _____, I extend a most hearty welcome to the wonderful, exciting world of NAWIC. A world in which you will never walk alone. Your family will be on one side of you, your employer and friends at the other, surrounded by the local members of the _____ Chapter and by the ever-widening circle of NAWIC members.

Will all members please rise and welcome these new members of NAWIC.

_____, we heartily welcome you to active membership in the _____ Chapter # _____ of the National Association of Women in Construction.

We are proud to have you join us in our unique organization of professional women. It is our sincere hope that your association with NAWIC will be rewarding for many years to come.

As a member of NAWIC, our organization will be known in part for what you do. We ask you to be responsible. You will only be as effective as you are knowledgeable. Learn what our organization stands for, how it works, and what it accomplishes. Strive to be an enthusiastic member, one who gets involved and participates.

We ask you to be encouraged. Only as other members help you will you feel totally welcome and share in the friendship within our Association. Let us know of your special needs or when you have a problem. This is a friendly organization, as well as a professional one; one that is helpful to fill your particular needs as well as use your special talents.

At this time, we ask you to pledge yourself to the ideals and purposes of WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION. Do you agree to add your time, energy and thoughts to the collective will of other women employed in the construction industry, recognizing that only through cooperation can we fulfill these objectives?

Answer: I will.

Your opportunities as a member are many: new friendships, professional growth through one or more of the educational programs offered by NAWIC, and personal growth through development of your leadership abilities within our organizations.

The _____ Chapter is active and offers a variety of projects to interest and challenge you. Your talents, experience and participation are in much demand. We want you to be active in our Chapter committee work, as well as other NAWIC activities, to help us achieve our goals.

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Congratulations _____, we know you will grow and prosper, and our Chapter will strengthen through your participation. Please join me in welcoming our newest members.
