



NAWIC

The National Association of
Women in Construction

Tucson, AZ

NAWIC Tucson Chapter 122
March 2023 News



Greetings, Tucson NAWIC #122 and
Friends!

I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and ready for spring. Absolutely love driving to work and seeing all the flowers beginning to bloom on the side of the road.

NAWIC Chapter #122 has had a Very Successful WIC Week 2023! This year was the 25th Anniversary of WIC Week. We

started March out with our WIC Week activities. March 7 was a tour of the Ideal Trade Institute, March 8 was the WIC Mixer, and we finished WIC Week on March 10 with Habitat of Humanity Women Build.

The ACT Golf Tournament is on April 7th. Thank you to Leah Swisher for donating a hole for the Tucson Chapter. We will be promoting NAWIC by manning our hole at the ACT Golf Tournament. The board has approved a giveaway of a chip clip with the NAWIC logo at this event. We are looking for volunteers to man the hole. Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering. More information is below.

The nominations for 2023-2024 board of directors are happening now. Members should have received a call or email from the Nominating committee. If you have already made your nominations THANK YOU! There is still time if you have not. Please reach out to Kimberly Dycus at kdycus@mccarthy.com with your nominations. The chapter's elections will be held in June.

As you can see our chapter is very busy.....
Thank you to all of you for the strides we have made in making our chapter known!

Honored to be your president,
Tracy D. Miller

Important Dates:

- April 28 & 29 – PSW Spring Conference
- August 5 – 20th Annual Shirley Dail Bowling Tournament
- August 9 – 12 – 68th Annual Conference
- December 2 – Gaslight Theatre

March 7th

We started the evening with a tour of the Idea'l Trade Institute. Followed by a bar-b-que dinner. Thank you to Leah Swisher for setting up the food and organizing the tour.

Our speakers were Brandy Grindstaff and Teresa Sanchez, Student Enrollment. These ladies and their staff made us most welcome.

How the program works:

- * The program is tuition free, given that the student completes the 6 month program
- * Students pay \$500 up front - \$200 registration fee and \$300 tool set fee
- * Agreement with students that if they do not complete the full program, that they will be responsible for the \$14,000.00 tuition fee
- * Post graduation options for the students following the program
- * R62 Contractor's License – that they help the students study for
- * Remodeling license, 3 year, up to \$5,000 capacity for labor and materials

For more information:

[Visit Website Here](#)





Congratulations to our new Members!

Jennifer Williams and Courtney Petersen

WIC Week Mixer

MARCH 7th, 8th, 10th

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone that came out to the WIC Mixer to celebrate Women in Construction 2023! Your efforts brought 135 guests to the Mixer at Barrio Grill on March 8th and it felt wonderful to see how many people support women in construction! At this mixer, we celebrated the important role women play in construction. Special thanks to **Tracy Miller, Yvette Pederson, and Jamie Thrush** for their leadership in making this event so impactful. Also, we are grateful to **Becky Johnson, Leah Swisher, Florence Bramlett, and Amanda Frank** for volunteering. These ladies are the best! Thank you also to the NAWIC ladies who donated raffle prizes.

A very special thank you to ALL our sponsors. We can't do these events without you!!!





HABITAT OF HUMANITY – WOMEN BUILD MARCH 10TH

Alex is a Habitat Homeowner with about 60 of his 400 service hours remaining after today's event. He and his family (wife and two children) have a four-bedroom Habitat home in Marana.

He works from home as a scheduler for El Rio Health and loves the peace and quiet of his neighborhood.

Angelica Loaiza is a Project Engineer at BFL Construction Co., Inc.

She is very appreciative of the two NAWIC scholarships she received to assist her with education at Arizona State University.

**BIG Thank you NAWIC LADIES FOR
VOLUNTEERING!**







Cornerstone Building Foundation's Annual golf tournament

NAWIC will be participating in the Cornerstone Building Foundation's annual golf tournament by manning a hole closest to the pin. This is a fundraising opportunity for NAWIC and part of the proceeds will be donated to the NAWIC Tucson Scholarship Fund.

Volunteers are needed for this event. Please sign up below.

[Volunteer's Needed Sign Up Here](#)

ARIZONA ACT CONSTRUCTION TRADES

ACT Charity Golf Tournament

Benefiting Habitat for Humanity
 Located @ Omni Tucson National Resort | Sonoran Course
 Friday April 7th 2023 | Shotgun @ 7:30AM

Sponsorship Opportunities

- Title Sponsor - \$10,000**
 3 Foursomes | 30 Drink Tickets | 60 Raffle Tickets
 Logo, Signage, Social Media
 Sponsorship Plaque
- Platinum Sponsor - \$5,000**
SOLD - HAMSTRA HEATING & COOLING
 Sponsorship Plaque
- Gold Sponsor - \$3,500**
SOLD - GLASS UNLIMITED
 Sponsorship Plaque
- Lunch Sponsor - \$3,000**
SOLD - WASTE CONNECTIONS OF ARIZONA
 Sponsorship Plaque
- Bloody Mary Sponsor - \$2,500**
SOLD - EL EN FUEGO
 Sponsorship Plaque

Contact 520-624-3002 or email subs@actaz.net by March 24th to sponsor & get more details

April 7th

Leah Swisher with ACT (and our chapter treasure) is offering the NAWIC Tucson Chapter to man a hole at this tournament at no charge to the chapter! This is a great opportunity to promote our

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- Breakfast Sponsor - \$2,000**
SOLD - CREST INSURANCE GROUP
- Keg Sponsor - \$1,500**
SOLD - RITE WAY
SOLD - TUCSON ASPHALT
- Lunch Bag Sponsor - \$1,500**
 Logo printed on lunch bags
- GPS Sponsor 1/5 available - \$350**
 Logo on GPS in carts
 Logo, Signage, Social Media
- Tee Sponsor 14/18 available - \$200**
 Logo, Signage, Social Media
 Set up & Market your company at a Tee
- Cup Sponsor - \$200**
SOLD - MY BOOTLETS

Contact 520-624-3002 or email subs@actaz.net by March 24th 2023 to sponsor & get more details

Set up time for the hole (NAWIC Tent) is at 6:00 am
 Shotgun at 7:30 am

Also, we are looking for someone to donate a YETI (or something similar) for a raffle prize at our hole.

chapter.

The chapter needs volunteers to man the NAWIC hole. If you are interested in volunteering part of the day or the entire day email tracy.nawic@gmail.com

[Sign up here to Volunteer](#)



April Member Meeting

April 12, 2023

5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Networking

6:00 p.m. Dinner

6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Program

DoubleTree Reid Park

445 S. Alvernon Way

Tucson, AZ 85711

In the Grand Room

Meet our guest speaker:

Emily Wilson is a Program Manager at YWCA of Southern Arizona for a program called Pathways for Single Moms.

What is the YWCA?

She has experience in curricula development and has developed and led courses on professionalism and job skills that include overcoming adversity and maximization of hard and soft skills for employment success. Additionally, Emily is experienced in event planning and marketing. She is passionate about helping others find their success in the world and loves to create and nurture community partnerships.

Dinner Menu:

Garden Salad

Grilled Chicken Breast

Smokey BBQ Sauce

Roasted Red Potatoes

Chuck Wagon Corn

Homemade Jalapeno Yogurt

Cornbread

Dessert

Ice Tea

\$40 Per NAWIC Member

\$50 Per Non-Member / \$35 students

RSVPs received after the date cannot be guaranteed a meal.

Cancellations within 78 hours of the event and No-Shows will be charged.

Note in your RSVP if you require gluten-free or vegetarian options.

As a local association of the YWCA USA, the YWCA of Southern Arizona is one of the oldest and largest multicultural women's organizations in the nation. We are a membership-based, grassroots organization independently governed by a local board of directors. Our mission is Eliminating Racism, Empowering Women and Promoting Peace, Justice, Freedom, and Dignity for All.

As a single mother herself, Emily is especially in-tune with road bumps specific to single moms and is committed to providing the support needed for success. Emily has a background in healthcare, adult education, student advocacy, and career planning.

RSVPs are due by April 5th

RSVP HERE

Meet our Dinner Raffle Sponsor:

My name is Leah Swisher, I am the Executive Director for Arizona Construction Trades (ACT). I have been working with ACT for 4 years.

ACT is a non-profit 501C6 association serving Southern Arizona. As the Executive Director of ACT and in partnership with Pima Community College and Home Builders Institute (HBI), we created the ACT Future Leaders Apprenticeship Program.

This program allows anyone of any age to receive up to a four-year college degree in the construction industry for free. ACT was recently acknowledged by Pima County for the impact in workforce development and leadership this apprenticeship program presents. We were presented with the Pima County Small Business of the Year award for 2022.

This award is a testimony of what we as an organization are striving for, a positive impact in our community in the construction industry.



We continue to look for opportunities to help our community through different partnerships. One of the partnerships, is through Nawic I was elected Nawic Treasurer for 2022-2023. We also partnered with Habitat for Humanity, Pima JTED and Gap Ministries to continue our mission of workforce development in the community.

Prior to being the Executive Director of ACT, I was the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for Pima County School Superintendents office and was employed there for 11 years. I also have 20 plus years in multiple trade organizations such as landscaping, flooring, drywall, stucco repair, carpentry, epoxy, and heavy equipment operator.

Happy Birthday!

Amanda Frank March 5
Yvette Pederson March 7
Michelle Anaya March 12
Jamie Thrush March 18
Laura Vertes March 20



Happy Anniversary!

Shirley Dail - 1996
Alexandra Miller - 1993
Meredith Alarico-Caldon - 2022
Sandi Garrick - 2022
Vanessa Guzzo - 2022
Michelle Valenzuela - 2022
Amanda Wittenborn - 2022

BIG Congratulations to **Candice Perkins**, Desert Lotus Group, is engaged! Candice and her beloved, Gilbert, became betrothed on March 6th. A wedding date has not been set.



Now Hiring:

Capital Pump & Equipment is a fast-growing company that is in

the greater Tucson Arizona area seeking a Crew Member. The position will coordinate with the Crew Leader to provide an exemplary level of service to customers, demonstrate skills and performance in the use, operation, set up of all types of pumps and equipment. This is an entry level position and requires the individual to demonstrate a level of professionalism through positive communication and appearance that will be respected by other Crew Members.



Skills & Abilities

- Must be a team player
- Must have basic mechanical skills
- Must be able to use small hand and power tools
- Ability to do occasional heavy lifting
- Ability to work overtime when necessary
- Ability to work in varied outdoor environments
- Ability to receive and carry out instructions
- Must adhere to safety rules and wear proper personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Follow all company policies and procedures
- Must be dependable
 - Must be able to read and write English
 - Must be able to pass drug screen and background check
 - Other duties as assigned

Apply in person at 3131 E Atlas Place Tucson, AZ



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www.nawictucson.org

JOIN NAWIC NOW

Not a NAWIC Member?

Know of someone who may be interested in becoming a member?

Contact **Tracy Miller** for membership information.

CONNECT WITH US!



Strengthen and amplify the success of women in the construction industry

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