



# The Connection

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## Association News

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### 2018-2019 Candidates for the NAWIC Board of Directors

The ballot for 2018-2019 National Board elections has been finalized. The candidates are:

**President-Elect:** Diane Mike, CBT

**Vice President:** Anne Pfleger, CIT

**Secretary:** Jill Hanson, CIT

**Treasurer:** Doreen Bartoldus, PE, CCM

**Treasurer:** Ruth Fritts

**Midwest Region Director:** Jodi Wiemerslage

**Northeast Region Director:** Jennifer Sproul

**North Central Region Director:** Rita Brown

**Pacific Southwest Region Director:** Tami McCarthy, CIT

Online voting will be held May 15-31, 2018.

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IN CONSTRUCTION?  
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**NAWIC**  
*Builds*

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The advertisement features a photograph of four professionals (three women and one man) in a modern office setting, looking at a laptop screen. Below the photo is a red banner with white text. At the bottom left is the NAWIC Builds logo, and at the bottom right is a red button with white text that says "CLICK HERE" with a right-pointing arrow.

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## Education

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## Work Zone Safety

**April 10, 2018, noon EST**

National Work Zone Awareness Week is April 9-13. To commemorate it, NAWIC will bring you a work zone safety overview. Everyone drives through work zones and some of us even work in them, so it pays to pay attention to work zone safety. In this webinar, you will learn about the safety measures you can take and rules you can follow to keep everyone safe in work zones. Complimentary for NAWIC members. For more information on the seminar, [click here](#).



*Brought to you by the Safety and Health Awareness and U.S. Transportation Committees*

## Take the NAWIC Diversity Survey

In planning our education for the August NAWIC Annual Conference, we are developing a panel on Diversity in the Construction Industry. Your feedback on what your company is doing will help inform the conversation of the panel. We have asked 9 questions that will take about 1 minute to complete. To take the survey, [click here](#).

## Ask Your Boss to Help You Attend the 2018 Annual Conference

Now is the time to talk to your employer about attending the 2018 Annual Conference. Catherine Schoenenberger, NAWIC's 2017-2018 President, has written a letter that members can pass on to their employer. It outlines the many reasons that they should send their female employees to the 2018 NAWIC Annual Conference. [Click here](#) to download a copy of the letter.

## Registration Opens March 1 for NAWIC's Annual Conference

[Early bird registration](#) for the NAWIC Annual Conference will open next week. We encourage you to register early for the best conference rate available.

This year, the Conference has been revamped and we have some exciting new events planned. New features:

- Pre-conference certificate training (Estimating and Scheduling Practitioner)
- A pre-conference chapter leadership training program
- Two keynote speakers
- Two general sessions with industry panels (Diversity and an Industry Update)
- The Neighborhood (NAWIC's reimagined exhibit hall) with pop-up education, food, demonstrations and tabletops.

Register beginning March 1 at [www.nawic.org](http://www.nawic.org). Don't forget to book your hotel room after you finish your registration. [Click here](#) to book at the special NAWIC Conference rate.

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## Industry Update

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### President Trump Unveils Infrastructure Plan

On Feb. 12, President Trump revealed information on his [infrastructure bill](#). The 55-page outline requests that Congress stimulate \$1.5 trillion in new infrastructure investment over the next 10 years, of which \$200 billion would come from the federal government. The rest will be financed by states, localities and public-private partnerships.

[Learn More...](#)

## Construction Employment Increases in 269 Metro Areas Between December 2016 and 2017



Construction employment increased in 269 out of 358 metro areas between December 2016 and December 2017, declined in 43 and stagnated in 46, according to a new analysis of federal employment data released today by the Associated General Contractors of America. Association officials said new infrastructure funding would help ensure firms continue to expand their headcount in 2018.

[Learn More...](#)

## Calendar

**22**

Feb 2018

### NAWIC Board Meeting

February 22-23  
Orlando, Florida

**28**

Feb 2018

### Deadline for NFSF Donations

**28**

Feb 2018

### Postmark Deadline for NFSF Applications

**4**

Mar 2018

### Women in Construction (WIC) Week

March 4-10  
[Event Details](#)

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Apr 2018

**South Atlantic Region Forum**

April 6-7

Durham, North Carolina

[Event Details](#)

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