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## Education

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### **Sexual Harassment: What it is and How Companies Can Protect Themselves February 15, 2018, noon EST**

With the very public downfall of many prominent men, sexual harassment is a hot topic. NAWIC will host a Sexual Harassment webinar on February 15, 2018 at noon EST. Attorney Amanda Baer will define sexual harassment for attendees and teach best practices for companies who want to prevent it and protect themselves. NAWIC members receive the webinar free. Non-members can call 817-877-5551 to register (\$39). For more information on the seminar, [click here](#).

*Brought to you by the Professional Development and Education Committee*

### **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*

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## Industry Update

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### **Opioid Crisis Has Serious Ramifications to Construction**



As unpleasant as the topic may be, opioid abuse is a must-have conversation among industry professionals in order to help combat the problem. Drug overdoses have nearly doubled from only a decade ago. In 2016 they claimed more than 64,000 lives in the U.S.

[Learn More...](#)

## Construction Jobs Increase in 42 States Between December 2016 and

### OSHA Renews Alliance with National Association of Women in Construction



The five-year alliance between the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) indicates the continued commitment to providing safe and healthy working conditions for female construction workers.

[Learn More...](#)



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## Association News

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### Chapter Leadership Training Offered Prior to Annual Conference

The NAWIC Board recently voted to offer a pilot chapter leadership training program in Orlando immediately before the Annual Conference. The free training will be held on Wednesday, August 15 in the afternoon. It will last approximately four hours and will include important information from NAWIC's auditor and attorney, as well as the NAWIC leadership. Every chapter is encouraged to send their chapter president. However, if your chapter's president cannot attend, we encourage you to send another chapter officer in their place. Registration information to come.

### 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 Pflieger, 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.

## Annual Conference Registration Opens March 1

Start planning now to attend the 2018 NAWIC Annual Conference. 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 keyote speakers
- Two general sessions with industry panels (Diversity and an Industry Update)
- The Neighborhood (NAWIC's reimaged exhibit hall) with pop-up education, food, demonstrations and tabletops.

Early bird registration will open March 1 at [www.nawic.org](http://www.nawic.org).

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## Calendar

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**15**

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**Deadline to Submit NFSF Chapter Scholarship  
Administration Form**

**22**

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**NAWIC Board Meeting**

February 22-23  
Orlando, Florida  
[Learn More...](#)

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**Deadline for NFSF Donations**

**28**

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**Postmark Deadline for NFSF Applications**

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Mar 2018

**Women in Construction (WIC) Week**

March 4-10

[Event Details](#)

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