Stay Ahead! The Connection is designed to keep you informed with pertinent Association news. Read up on timely announcements and messages from the NAWIC Board, and learn about the outstanding activities our regions, chapters and members are involved in!

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Get connected to what you need to know!

Happy New Year from the NAWIC Staff!
The NAWIC staff wishes you, your chapter and your family a happy New Year and an exceptional 2016.

WIC Week 2016

With the New Year finally here, WIC Week 2016 is right around the corner. Before you know it, WIC Week (March 6-12) will be upon you. Visit the WIC Week website for information about WIC Week, forms and to order the 2016 pins and posters.

The posters are two sided again this year so you can use them for WIC Week and then turn them over and use the rest of the year. However, this year features a horizontal WIC Week poster. Be ready for WIC Week 2016 with pins and posters for all your chapter members!

NAWIC Seeks NAWIC National Officer and Director Candidates

Have you always wanted to serve NAWIC as a Region Director or a National Officer? Do you know another NAWIC member who would be a great leader?

The NAWIC office is seeking qualified members to submit for candidacy for the offices of president-elect, vice president, secretary and treasurer. If your chapter has one or more prospective candidates, please click here for more information and instructions.

The NAWIC office is also seeking qualified members of to submit for candidacy for region director for the Midwest Region, the North Central Region, the Northeast Region and the Pacific Southwest Region. If your chapter has one or more prospective candidates for region director, please click here for more information and instructions.

Support Special Spaces

Special Spaces is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit that creates extreme one-day dream bedroom makeovers for children battling life-threatening illnesses. We are currently recruiting all over the country for dedicated volunteer directors to help us further our mission by creating rooms for children in their community. Special
Spaces has 39 chapters across America and we need more! As a Special Spaces Director, you will be fulfilling the dreams of children with life-threatening medical illnesses, creating that “special space” that only they can imagine while keeping their medical needs in focus. This process will encompass everything from interviewing the child and their family, to fundraising, designing and installing their dream bedroom with the assistance of a local volunteer staff.

For more information contact Jennifer at Jennifer@specialspaces.org or visit our website at www.specialspaces.org.

Rent a Tabletop Display for Your Next Outreach Event

Did you know that the NAWIC office has 6-foot tabletop displays that you can rent for your chapter or region events? You can find more information and an order form at www.nawic.org > Member Center > Member Forms, by clicking here or by contacting Crissy Ingram at crissyi@nawic.org or 800-552-3506. These are great marketing tools for Block Kids events, membership drives, construction expos and more!

NAWIC Items on Sale in January

The NAWIC store offers a wide variety of NAWIC jewelry, ranging from officer guards and longevity pins to membership pins and pendants. The store also carries silver bracelets, charms and necklaces. In addition, it features a limited supply of NAWIC promotional items, which are currently on sale.

- NAWIC 60th Anniversary Tote Bag, originally $12, sale price $10
- NAWIC Travel Mug, originally $14, sale price $13
- NAWIC Gusseted Card Case, originally $9, sale price $8
- NAWIC Bracelets, Necklaces and Charms

Visit the store online here.

Lorman Education

NAWIC is dedicated to providing cost-effective training opportunities that meet the needs, enhance the skills, restore knowledge, and build competencies of its members. NAWIC has partnered with Lorman Education Services to offer continuing education in the construction industry. Please visit the website at www.lorman.com/training/NAWIC for information on upcoming courses and your NAWIC discount.

A Green Supply Chain Saves Money

NAWIC Savings Program with UPS®

Your business has its own unique needs and challenges. To remain competitive, you need a design for your supply chain that capitalizes on the most efficient methods available for sourcing, manufacturing, transporting, fulfilling orders, and managing returns. Whether you own your network assets or outsource your logistics and transportation, UPS can make your supply chain more efficient, saving you time and money.

As a member of NAWIC, you have exclusive access to all UPS shipping services at a discounted rate.

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Membership Has its Privileges

Your NAWIC membership can save you and your employer money while turning a profit for the Association. NAWIC’s member service providers offer you discounts on courses and publications, insurance, shipping, office supplies and on travel-related services. For example, Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company offers preferred rates to NAWIC members. Simply click here to see the complete list and access the rest of NAWIC’s member services.

NAWIC Career Center offers employment tools, jobs targeted to NAWIC members

Employers want you. The NAWIC Career Center features hundreds of jobs that employers want you to see. Where do employers go when they want a talented woman with experience in the construction industry? They go to the NAWIC Career Center. You can post a résumé, view jobs and set up personal job alerts. Best of all, it’s free. Visit the NAWIC Career Center today.
New York Build 2016 (March 7-8, 2016) is the leading construction expo to focus on New York. The expo will include a two-day conference and 24 training workshops (CPE accredited) that attendees are welcome to attend, plus they’ll have the chance to hear from 50-plus industry expert speakers from government and the construction industry. The event will take place at the Javits Center, welcoming thousands of attendees and accommodating 200-plus booths all showcasing the latest projects, developments, investment and opportunities around New York. The exhibition, conference and training workshops are free to register for online at www.newyorkbuildexpo.com/register/.

To receive the agenda or for further information, please contact kaltrina@oliverkinross.com or call 917-981-0774.

Follow us on Twitter @NewYorkBuild, #newyorkbuild.

CHAPTER OFFICER REMINDERS
Are you a chapter officer? Get helpful tips and reminders here!

Chapter Presidents
If you haven’t already, please contact members who have not renewed. Divide the list among other officers, so they can help. Inform non-renewing members of upcoming events and how they can get involved. Encourage them to renew by explaining their value to the chapter and the value they receive by getting involved. E-mail the membership department at membership@nawic.org to obtain a list of non-renewing members in your chapter.

Chapter Treasurers
Your chapter’s IRS 990 or 990T is due to the IRS before Feb. 15, 2016. To avoid a penalty, we suggest you e-file or mail your return directly to the IRS by Jan. 15.

Chapter Membership Chairs
When a prospective member calls the NAWIC Office requesting local chapter information, we refer them to you by giving them your name and phone number. When you field a call from a prospect, be sure you have information to share with them about upcoming chapter events and available programs. Prospective members are looking for knowledge, education and networking opportunities. So, we want to make sure we are giving them what they need. Also, please make sure you return calls from prospects promptly. Following up with prospects and personally inviting them to your next meeting will help your chapter grow.

NATIONAL OFFICER’S MESSAGE

January is the Perfect Time for Reflection and Change
By Diane L. Mike, CBT, NAWIC Secretary

Happy New Year NAWIC members!

Being a history buff, I did a little research on New Year’s celebrations and resolutions. This tradition was started by the Babylonians and celebrated in March of each year. Then when the Romans came into power, they moved it to January. The Romans used the New Year celebration to praise the god Janus, a two-faced god who was said to look backwards into the old year and forwards into the new one. Janus was the protector of arches, gateways, doors, endings, and beginnings.

What does this have to do with NAWIC you ask? President Riki F. Lovejoy, CBT, CIT asked members at the annual meeting to “Be the Change.” To change, we must look backwards at the
old, see the successes and the failures, then look forward to the new and see the possibilities. What changes can we make to find success going forward? How do we become the architects of change for ourselves, our industry, and our Association?

First we must identify the path to where we, as an Association, want to be in the future. The NAWIC strategic plan is on the website. I encourage each of you to review this regularly. Regions and chapters also have strategic plans. These pathways should give you plenty of ideas on what you can do to help you, your chapter or region, and our industry.

Now comes the fun part. What can you, as a member, change or do differently to help us reach our destination? The possibilities are endless!

Changes do not have to be huge or life altering to have a major impact. Resolve to befriend and mentor a new member or increase your industry knowledge by achieving a new NEF certification or in the words of Vice President Stephanie K. Crane, CIT, “Pay it forward” and tell someone else about NAWIC and invite them to a meeting. Another idea is to keep your employers informed of what is going on at all levels of our Association. The more knowledge they have of what NAWIC is and does, the more support you will receive from them. Ask your employer to attend a meeting or event, share with them what you learned, or ask them to speak at a meeting. If each NAWIC member resolves to make one small change, the collective impact will be huge.

Share your success! Communication of ideas is so important to all of us and sharing the outcome of an event or even a personal achievement with your chapter and regional director is a perfect way to help others grow.

As we finalize WIC Week plans and activities and prepare for Forum season, opportunities for change abound. Take risks and try new things, attend your Forum, volunteer for a committee, or challenge a friend to make a change (you all know how NAWIC members love competition). The rewards will be ten-fold for you, your chapter, your region and the Association. Each one of us can make a difference. Be the change, you, your industry, your NAWIC!

Let’s all open a door to new beginnings and resolve to make 2016 the best NAWIC year ever.

REGIONAL ROUNDDUP
Region Directors report on NAWIC activities across the country.

**Pacific Northwest Region | Ruth Fritts**

Happy Holidays from the Pacific Northwest Region! Our first APC as a merged region is behind us. We had 55 members attend. The event started out with a historic walk around downtown Reno narrated by a Reno Historic Preservation Society member. Our tour guide was very knowledgeable as to the renovation/revitalization going on downtown from the underground railroad tracks and the railroad station to the new bridge construction over the Truckee River.

The Eldorado Hotel Director, Stacy Schierling, and Reno Councilwoman, Jenny Brekus, both spoke on the changes and growth of Reno and the downtown corridor. Schierling shared a PowerPoint of photos comparing the “then” and “now” of various buildings that we saw on our walking tour. She gave us updates on the renovation going on in the hotel. They have finished several floors but there is a lot more to go. It was interesting to see the mock up boards of the furnishings and finishes being used in the updates.

Sue Hart, certified in Laughter Therapy, talked about how important laughter is to our health and how it can relate to leadership. He had us up clapping and laughing with several rounds of HA HA HA’s. I’m sure we probably broke the concentration of several of poker players in the poker event next door. We also held a teambuilding exercise to get the members mixing with each other and meeting new people. One interesting fact came up when Sandy Field, Immediate Past President, had each old region stand up separately. For the most part the members had instinctively sat with one region on one side of the room and the other on the opposite. After this weekend I don’t think we will have that happen. We are fortunate that both the merged regions are so similar that we all had a fun time together and formed new friendships.
After passing the new Pacific Northwest Region Guidelines we had a lot of discussion on the details of if, who, and where future Annual Planning Conferences would be held. The Boise Chapter #245 volunteered to hold the 2016 APC with more discussion on the APC Guidelines to follow at Forum.

Although it was not on the agenda we had free entertainment right outside the hotel on Friday and Saturday night. The University of Nevada Reno’s Homecoming parade was Friday evening with the band warming up right outside our hotel. Saturday evening and throughout the night brought a multitude of costumes and zombies from the Reno Zombie Crawl. There was an endless stream of interesting people walking through the hotel. Some of the members also took advantage of the discounted tickets to the Eldorado Theatre production of “Saltoriya,” a cirque-type show that included acrobats, daredevil stunts on motorcycles and comedy.

Forum 2016 in Tacoma, Wash. is fast approaching. The South Sound Chapter #187 is busy planning a fun and fabulous event. These ladies are all fired up and working hard on great speakers and activities, so look for more information in the near future.

South Atlantic Region | Lorie Lythgoe

“Back To The Future” was the theme for the South Atlantic APC that was held in New Bern, N.C., Nov. 13-14. The host chapter, Greater Greenville #335, did an outstanding job in planning an event full of NAWIC education, informative speakers, networking, and NAWIC sister time. We had 78 attendees, with 11 first timers. Our members were offered four NAWIC workshops: Membership Finders and Keepers, NEF Block Kids Strategies for a Successful Contest, CPM Scheduling for CDS Certification and NAWIC Now and Then. APC also featured a two-part workshop, “Secrets of Success,” workers compensation claims, employee perspective, workers compensation, medical perspective, the truth about happy employees, and the use of UAV drone, laser scanning, virtual reality and other cutting-edge technologies on construction projects. We honored Darlene Johnson, Raleigh Chapter #92, as she enters into her 50th year of membership. Might I add that she is still working and inspirational in making changes to improve NAWIC. Our “Region Auctioneer” did another wonderful job on our NEF Fundraiser, and Frances Jackson was happy to report we are well on way to reaching our goal.

With APC over, we move forward to Block Kid, CAD, and WIC Week events. Our chapters are busy planning for the upcoming events and concentrating on the theme of “Be the Change. You. Your Industry, Your NAWIC.”

We look forward to our 2016 educational spring Forum “Class Act 2016,” in Asheville, N.C., April 29-30. It will be held at the beautiful Hilton at Biltmore Town Square. We hope you can all join us.

In ending, I leave you with a quote from Dr. Seuss. “‘Maybe Christmas,’ he thought, ‘doesn’t come from a store. Maybe Christmas… perhaps…means a little bit more!’”

The South Atlantic Region hopes you had a merry Christmas and a blessed and happy New Year.

South Central Region | Dena Rowland

Happy New Year to all of our NAWIC sisters across the country! Can you believe 2016 is already here? I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas holidays with your families and friends. Most of the chapters in the South Central Region celebrated in December holding Christmas parties and either making donations or volunteering their time to local charities in their communities. I am so thankful to be a part of an Association that gives so freely of their time to help others in the time of need.

The South Central Region is gearing up and getting ready for a busy year. Several of the chapters have already held their Block Kids competitions and there are still a few being planned. WIC Week is right around the corner and yes South Central is ready to “Rock It!” The membership recruitment is going
well and I understand there is a big competition between regions coming down the pipeline. South Central is ready for the challenge.

Don’t forget to mark your calendars and come celebrate Forum 2016 in New Orleans, La., May 20-21, 2016. More details will be coming soon.

Southeast Region | Angelia McElroy, CIT

Fall has come and gone and the holidays have been great, but it is time to renew your focus within the chapters to finish the NAWIC year strong! Membership across the region continues to grow as we have added 62 members to our roster between Oct. 13 and Dec. 10. This is a tremendous accomplishment to increase by 17.2 percent and expand to 422 members total. Fourteen of 17 chapters have added at least one member during this period. Congratulations! WIC Week commitment forms are in and the Southeast Region is at 100 percent. I have already been seeing some of the great activities being planned, so I hope each of you are able to participate in one or more events planned in your local area. Block Kids events have been held in several chapters already, with many scheduled in January and February. I look forward to hearing about the chapter events and winners. Remember to get your submissions in timely to region chair Natalie Adelmund, CIT (Atlanta, Ga. Chapter) for the regional competition. The Greater Orlando, Fla. Chapter continues to work on our first Southeast Forum, held May 13-14, 2016. They have a great lineup of workshops and speakers for your professional and personal development. Event registration will be ready in January, but hotel reservations can be made at [www.nawicorlando.org/FORUM-2016](http://www.nawicorlando.org/FORUM-2016). Make your plans to attend “Forging the Southeast Legacy” Forum in Orlando, Fla.

CORNERSTONE

Get connected to the latest news from NAWIC Committees.

NAWIC/OSHA Alliance

By Kathleen Dobson, CIT, CSP, STS-C, CHST, LEED AP, NAWIC/OSHA Alliance Co-Chair

Strong public approval for government efforts to improve workplace safety

A recent poll conducted by the Pew Research Center found that more than three-quarters of the public thinks the federal government is doing a good job of setting fair and safe workplace standards. In contrast, the poll also found overall trust in the government and political leaders are near historic lows.

Despite the public’s professed cynicism for government programs in general, many voiced strong support in specific areas, with setting safe standards for workplaces the second highest rated. Also, the support was bipartisan. According to the Pew report, “Large majorities of both Democrats and Republicans say [the government] does a good job of responding to natural disasters (82 percent and 78 percent, respectively) and setting fair and safe standards for workplaces (79 percent and 77 percent, respectively).” The poll results were based on more than 6,000 interviews conducted between Aug. 27 and Oct. 4, 2015.

Overview and discussion of updated Safety and Health Program Management Guidelines

OSHA held a public discussion about the agency’s updated draft Safety and Health Program Management Guidelines on Wednesday, Dec. 9 at the U.S. Department of Labor’s Frances Perkins Building in Washington, D.C.

The voluntary guidelines, which were first published in 1989 to help employers establish their own safety and health programs, are being updated to reflect best thinking and experiences from employers that have successfully used them.

New material should be particularly helpful to small- and medium-sized businesses. Updates also address ways in which multiple employers at the same worksite can coordinate...
efforts to protect all workers.

The event was facilitated by Dr. David Michaels, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

Public comments are still being solicited.

**Harassment in the Workplace**

We were recently contacted by our OSHA Alliance liaison to see if we had any updated information about harassment in the workplace. They received an inquiry regarding approximate rates of sexual harassment of women in the workplace generally and in the construction sector specifically. A Department of Labor report from 1999, as part of the original HASWIC Survey commissioned by ACCSH, the advisory committee on construction safety & health (at www.osha.gov/doc/acch/haswicformal.html), referenced a study that found 88 percent of women in one survey reported harassment. Obviously, this information is quite outdated at this point. We are not sure that it has changed significantly, and would love to hear from you. Please contact Kathi Dobson (kdboson@alberici.com) or Schelle Wood (schelle@dolphinsheetmetal.com) if you have any comments or questions. If we can get enough responses, we will take the information back to the Alliance and to OSHA.

**Legislation and Policy**

By L’Tryce Slade, MRP, JD, Legislation and Policy Chair

**The UPP Framework**

While more and more states are allowing private entities to submit unsolicited proposals for P3 projects, this does not mean that everyone embraces UPPs. Most jurisdictions accepting UPPs have specific guidelines regarding which state or local agencies can accept UPPs; the period of time each calendar year during which submission of UPPs is allowed; the procedure and criteria for the evaluation of UPPs; the procedure for requesting competing proposals; the information that must be included in the proposal; and the required fees.

Additionally, the submission of a UPP must be accompanied by sufficient information to allow the relevant agency to properly evaluate the proposal. The factors to be considered are varied and can differ from state to state—and even from one agency to another within a state. Usually, a UPP must include a project description, a feasibility statement, schedule, budget and financing plan, and a statement describing the benefits the private entity can provide in delivering the project. The private entity must sell itself and the project idea to the public agency.

Once the public agency receives the UPP, the public agency must decide whether to pursue the project. The evaluation criteria vary from state to state. Some states require the agency to evaluate the proposal based on the needs of the end user and determine if the UPP provides a public benefit by promoting a public purpose or meeting a public need. This approach is used in Florida and Georgia. Other states, like Maryland, make their evaluation from the viewpoint of the owner. If the proposal does not meet a need of the agency or is in fact disadvantageous to the agency, the agency will not pursue it. A UPP is becoming more and more popular, and the demand will continue to grow. It is important to understand how a UPP can help your potential projects in the future.

**Strategic Planning**

By L’Tryce Slade, MRP, JD, Strategic Planning Chair

As conditions in the external environment change, internal adaptations follow as the organization tentatively enters into new relationships and programs. Each year our chapters have internal adaptations. This is why Strategic Planning is so important. The benefits of Strategic Planning are to provide focus for a common problem. For instance, a common problem may be the Association trying to be all things to all members. Strategic Planning brings a sense of identity and priority back to the Association's activities.

Another benefit of Strategic Planning is achieving consensus. This leads to helping staff, leadership and even membership to implement plans more efficiently. Finally, strategic planning can re-energize a bored or complacent leadership team. One may ask, how do you implement a strategic planning process.

**Common Steps In The Strategic Planning Process**

1. Assign Roles
2. Review the Core Purpose
3. Collect Data
4. Scan the Environment
5. Assess the strengths and weaknesses
6. Agree on the core purpose (if it is being changed)
7. Set general objectives
8. Identify measurable activities
9. Set priorities
10. Allocate resources

If Strategic Planning is utilized correctly, it can transform an organization to make tremendous improvements.

**Membership**

By Hilda Cox, AC, CIT, National Membership Chair

I hope everyone had a great holiday. No matter how you celebrate, it is a time for family and friends!

Ladies, you have been on a roll! Our membership numbers continue to slowly grow. As of Dec. 10, 2015 our total membership is 3,255 strong! In November, we had 58
additional members renew their memberships, and added new members as well. Many of you have decided to “Be the Change” of our Association!

If you are reading this article, I know you have a passion for NAWIC. If you believe in NAWIC and you speak from the heart, you will recruit new members to our fantastic Association. Many times, if we try to speak from a script, we get lost in the words we are trying to quote. While we do need to have an idea of what we want to say to new recruits, if we speak from our heart, the person we are talking to will recognize our passion.

I received a request to talk at our last chapter membership meeting about NAWIC and what it has to offer members. We have several new members who wanted to know what to share with potential members. Those who know me well will find it hard to believe, but I chose to use the NAWIC 101 Program in a Box. At least two members asked me to forward them the PowerPoint presentation so they can send to potential members. It might be a recruiting tool that you can easily use, too. Just send an email with the Power Point file attached. The recipient can review at her leisure, and get back with you on any questions. And remember, it very often takes several contacts with someone before she will join. I had one lady that I talked to for two years before she joined. If a potential shows interest, don’t give up on her.

We are planning GoTo Meetings on Jan. 6: one at noon CST, and a repeat at 7 p.m. CST. I have received requests for daytime calls, and for evening calls, so I felt we would do both on this first (delayed) meeting. If there is something you would like to discuss on the call, please let me know, so that it can be included in the agenda. I do apologize for my delay in setting up this first meeting. It is totally my fault that the conference call has not happened. I will do my best to get an agenda out the week after Christmas.

Please remember, the first membership report from chapters is due Jan. 10. Please use page 15 of the Membership Committee Handbook for your reporting. If you need a fillable PDF of the form, please email me at hildacox@aol.com, and I will send you a copy. When reporting, please send to me at hildacox@aol.com and copy your Regional Membership Chair with the email.

As always, happy recruiting! And if I can assist you in any way, please contact me.

U.S. Transportation
By Cari L. Durbin

Transportation Bill Passes

The Five-Year Transportation Bill – Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST), was signed by President Obama on Dec. 4. This is good news for the U.S. infrastructure, which had not seen any long-term funding of this type since 2005. As in many previous articles, I pointed out that this was critical funding for more than just roads and bridges. FAST authorizes about $230 billion for highways, $61 billion for public transit, $10 billion for Amtrak and $5 billion for highway safety programs over a five year period. Funding for freight and highway projects is nationally significant to help boost the economy by making better access to goods and services with the extra benefit of providing employment opportunities for many construction professionals. Loan programs funded through FAST will allow projects, formerly tabled, to begin work.

The National Freight Strategic Plan will help with identifying projects. Challenges to be addressed include 70 million more people in the next 30 years; a 40-percent increase in freight volume by 2040; ports will see larger and larger vessels carrying more and more containers; triple the amount of air freight; 25 percent more air travel; double the amount of multimodal shipments; and double the volume of imports and exports.

Older Road User Safety Resource

What is the fastest growing demographic group among licensed drivers? The Federal Highway Administration’s (FHWA) annual highway statistics shows a record high 214.3 million licensed drivers in 2014, including 95.9 million who are of age 50 or older. USDOT’s Beyond Traffic study predicts a 77 percent increase among drivers over age 65 by 2045 and drivers who are over 85 or older increased by 2.9 percent from 2013 to 2014. FHWA and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration have launched the Clearinghouse for Older Road User Safety (ChORUS) at www.roadsafeseniors.org. This complements other resources offered by FHWA and NHTSA. There is a large amount of information available including technical manuals, licensing policies, assessments and tips for family and caregivers along with a supportive online community.

Source: www.dot.gov/blog/fastlane
Lourdes Lopez, NAWIC Phoenix Chapter President, Named ENR SW 2016 Top 20 Under 40 Award Winner

ENR Southwest recently announced its annual Top 20 Under 40 class of 2016. Each year, ENR’s regional publications accept nominations for “young guns” in the construction and design industries. Those submitting are then judged by three primary criteria: industry experience and education; career and industry leadership; and community service and involvement.

For this most recent competition, ENR Southwest received 31 entries, which were reviewed by independent judges Arnold Canales, principal, ARC Consulting, and Craig Randock, design studio leader, DLR Group.

Lourdes Lopez of PCL Construction, Inc. was selected as one of the 2016 award winners. Lopez is also the current chapter president of NAWIC’s Phoenix, Ariz. Chapter.

ENR Southwest will profile each member of this year’s class in the upcoming January 2016 print edition.

NAWIC’s Quad City Chapter Holds 25th Annual Scholarship Auction

NAWIC’s Quad City Chapter recently hosted industry notables, chapter members and guests at its 25th Annual Scholarship Auction. The party had a “Roaring ‘20s” theme and raised more than $12,000 for the fund.

Please scroll below to see photos from the event. Photos courtesy of Jean McAdam.
HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WELCOME TO 2016!

I hope everyone is refreshed after the holiday season and is getting back into the swing of things! With the new year beginning, the committee is excited to announce the release of the newly revised, Safety Excellence Awards application. It underwent a few changes, so please take a moment to review the following changes…

- We have eliminated the (3) separate categories (contractor, sub-contractor, construction related)
- You are NOT required to submit any OSHA related forms
- The application only has two sections: Program Assessment Checklist & Writing Components
- A scoring guide has been included for consistent scoring amongst all applications

As done in the previous years, the applications are first scored at the chapter level and then regionally. Regional winners are then passed along to myself for scoring. If you’re a member-at-large or if your chapter does not partake in the awards, please submit your application to your regional chair for scoring. If you have any questions regarding the application, please contact me via email lcurran@trisupplyandequipment.com.

2016 SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARDS APPLICATION

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