



## Press Release: NAWIC Observes Women in Construction Week March 5-11, 2017

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PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA — The National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) will celebrate Women in Construction (WIC) Week March 5-11, 2017. NAWIC’s mission is to enhance the success of women in the construction industry.

“NAWIC has enhanced the success of women in the industry for more than 62 years. We are proud to highlight contributions of women to the industry during Women in Construction Week,” said NAWIC President Connie M. Leopard, CIT

The focus of WIC Week is to highlight women as a visible component of the construction industry. It is also a time for local chapters to give back to their communities. WIC Week provides an occasion for NAWIC’s thousands of members across the country to raise awareness of the opportunities available for women in the construction industry and to emphasize the growing role of women in the industry.

“Women work in every facet of construction in critically important roles,” said Leopard. “NAWIC’s goal during WIC week is to raise awareness and visibility of the women in these roles. This increased visibility will promote the recruitment of more women and encourage others to start careers in construction. This will ultimately ease the workforce shortage in the industry.”

NAWIC chapters across the nation will celebrate WIC Week with a wide variety of activities. Community service projects, jobsite tours, membership drives, children’s activities, hands-on workshops, fundraisers and school programs are some of the ways local chapters will observe WIC Week. Local chapters are also appealing to their local, state and national representatives to issue official WIC Week proclamations. Visit [www.nawic.org](http://www.nawic.org) to locate a NAWIC chapter near you.

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#### National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)

Founded in Fort Worth, Texas in 1955, NAWIC is an international association serving 125 chapters in the United States. NAWIC also has affiliates in Australia, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa and the United Kingdom. To learn more about NAWIC, visit [www.nawic.org](http://www.nawic.org)

#### Philadelphia Chapter 145

The Philadelphia Chapter 145 of the National Association of Women in Construction was chartered in 1967 by 28 women who sought to enhance their knowledge of the construction industry. Now in its 50<sup>th</sup> year the Philadelphia chapter covers the greater Philadelphia area with members and companies representing different aspects of the construction industry. For more information visit [www.nawicphl.org](http://www.nawicphl.org) or contact Angelina Perryman at [nawicphila145@gmail.com](mailto:nawicphila145@gmail.com)