



As material for the construction of our building, I pledge the agility of my hands, the ability of my mind, and the integrity of my heart.

## Message From Philadelphia Chapter 145 President

THE HARD HAT HERALD

Spring has arrived!

After receiving wonderful news from Bittenbender Construction in mid-March that they have signed up as a NAWIC Philadelphia, PA Chapter 145 sponsor, they also added three new corporate members to our chapter including Emily. I raised a glass with a Bittenbender cocktail. Yay! See attached recipe. We still have very low membership participation of about 20%-25% and the result is that we are not able to establish a quorum at our monthly membership meetings.

*Ladies, we need your attendance!*

Chapter Four of "Inside Commercial Construction's MVPs" by Coty Fournier is "Beware of the PM (project manager) Myth," which reminds us of what it takes to be a sustained success as a PM. All is good until a PM wants to advance her career. PMs are project focused people. It is important to recognize that project management skills don't translate very well into corporate leadership primarily because a project is not a company. So it doesn't matter how big or important or profitable each one of your projects turns out to be, project management is still only one of a myriad of activities and responsibilities required to build and maintain a successful commercial construction company. Each of us has to acknowledge/assess whether one is a project-focused person or a more company-focused and relationship-focused person, which will set each of us apart to become an MVP. Awareness of the project manager myth is a huge opportunity for construction professionals who may have a wider range of interests and capabilities beyond pure project management activities. "Why we do what we do." This self-assessment may help one to expand one's skillset through experience.

I hope all you ladies enjoy these vernal days.

Stay Safe and Cheers!

Piljo Yae

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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

# Ashley Poglese

Langan Engineering & Environmental Services



*NAWIC has helped me professionally and personally as I have grown and changed career paths.*

## Upcoming Events

**JOBSITE TOUR: UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA NEW COLLEGE HOUSING**

A representative of INTECH Construction, LLC will take guests on a guided tour of the new University of Pennsylvania College Housing located on Chestnut Street. Following the tour, there will be drinks and appetizers at White Dog Café

**APR 20, 2016 5:00-7:30 PM**

**JOINT EVENT WITH GBCA - LEED PROGRAM AT REVOLUTION RECOVERY**

More detailed information to follow!

**MAY 12, 2016 5:00-7:30 PM**

Hello Chapter 145 Members! Some of you have not met me and I am honored to introduce myself through the member highlight section of the Chapter Newsletter. I work for Langan Engineering & Environmental Services (Langan) as a field survey technician. Prior to my current position I was a resident engineer on a long term construction project and designed wastewater/drinking water infrastructure. Throughout my career I have preferred hands on field work, which led me to my current position at Langan. I thoroughly enjoy the constant challenges of surveying new and interesting locations. We are able to take on a wide variety of projects including wilderness and urban topographic survey, construction stakeout, assist with 3D scanning, assist our environmental department and perform boundary survey. Langan also has a very active internship program. Every six months a new intern joins our crew. It is very rewarding to teach up-and-coming engineers about surveying and how this experience will directly impact their future careers.

With NAWIC I am a former secretary, vice-president and immediate-past president. I joined NAWIC in 2008 while living in the Norfolk Virginia area. At the time I joined NAWIC to network with other women in the industry and learn about different jobs within the construction industry. Over the years my reasons for continuing involvement have evolved. When I relocated to Philadelphia, NAWIC was a great avenue for me to meet new friends and gain a foothold in the local construction industry. I stay involved with NAWIC because I have met some very inspirational women through the organization. It is also very important for me to remain connected with the construction industry as a whole. It is very easy to become isolated working a full time field job.

Overall, NAWIC has helped me professionally and personally as I have grown and changed career paths.



**NEW MEMBERS**

**Kimberly Hullfish,**

**C. Abbonizio Contractors Inc.**



**Cassandra O'Connell,**

**Briarwood Construction**



**Emily Bittenbender,**

**Bittenbender Construction, LP**



**Alexa McCaffery,**

**Bittenbender Construction, LP**



**Angela McCaffery,**

**Bittenbender Construction, LP**



**Sharon Ponticello,**

**Hard Hat Services, llc**



Chapter 145 would like to thank their WIC week chair, Kelly Ann Channon for her hard work. Please see the mayor's Proclamation regarding WIC week to the right!

# Upcoming Meeting Schedule

**APRIL 2016 MEETING**

**Apr. 20, 2016 5:00-7:30 Jobsite Tour: University of Pennsylvania New College Housing**

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**MAY 2016 MEETING**

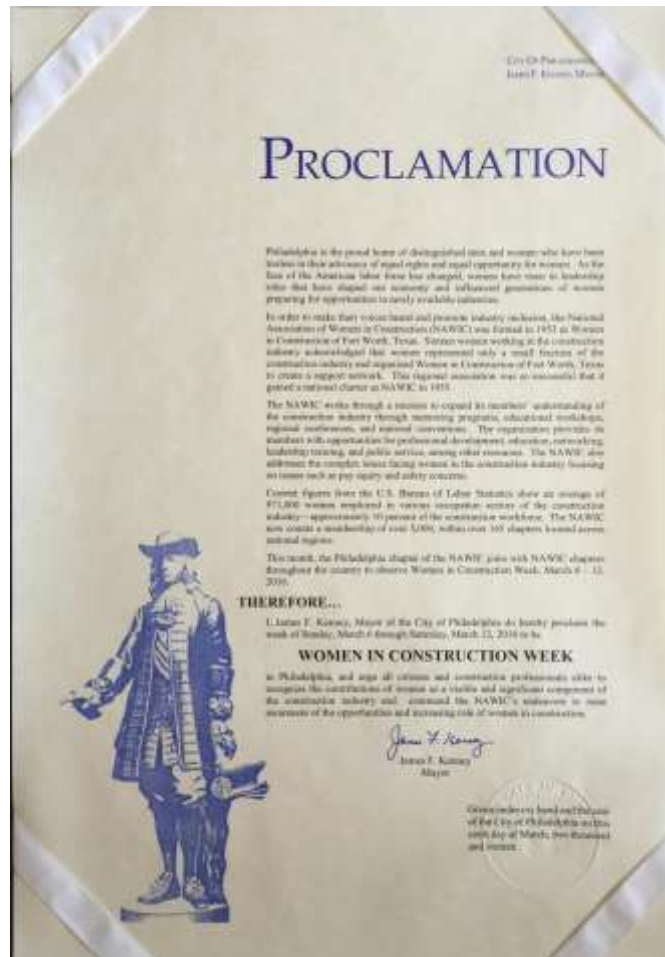
**May 12, 2016 5:00-7:30 Joint Event with GBCA – LEED Program at Revolution Recovery**

More detailed information to follow!

**UPCOMING INDUSTRY EVENTS**

For more information about upcoming industry events in the Philadelphia area, please visit our page: <http://nawicphl.org/industry-events>

## WIC Week Proclamation By Mayor Kenney



## UPCOMING NAWIC REGIONAL & NATIONAL EVENTS

### Northeast Regional Spring Forum

**When:** Fri. 5/20/16 – Sat. 5/21/16

**Location:** Mystic, CT

### WIC WEEK

**When:** March 6-12, 2016

**Location:** Nationwide

### NAWIC AMEC (Annual Meeting Educational Conference)

**When :** Wed. 8/17/16 – Sat. 8/20/16

**Location:** San Antonio, TX

## NORTHEAST REGION May 20-22, 2016 • Mystic, Connecticut



*Mystic Seaport – the Museum of America and the Sea is a re-created 19<sup>th</sup> century seafaring village, spanning 17 acres along the Mystic River. Photo courtesy of MysticSeaport, Mystic, Conn.*

### Northeast Regional Spring Forum – Mystic, CT

**Hotel:** Mystic Marriot Hotel & Spa

**Seminars:**

- The Sensei Leader: 8 Strategies for Effective Leadership
- Health & Safety: The Benefits of Mediation
- Empowerment of Women in Construction, and MVP in the Construction Industry

**Speaker:** Connie M. Leipard, CIT, NAWIC President-Elect

**How to Register:** <http://www.nawicnortheast.org>

**Registration Rates:** Regular registration: \$125 and late registration after April 21: \$175

**Remember Chapter 145 sponsors at least 1 Chapter member to attend!!**

Chapter 145 would like to extend a very sincere thank you to our members who contributed to make our MAGIC Camp Fundraiser a success! We were able to help raise funds for our annual camp with these ladies' support along with our members' and supports' efforts.

**Angela Luoro**  
Coordination Efforts

**Piljo Yae**  
Donor for Raffle Baskets

**Maura Hesdon**  
Donor for Raffle Baskets



# NAWIC

**61<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MEETING AND EDUCATION CONFERENCE**

**AUGUST 17-20, 2016**

**SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

Start planning to attend the 2016 NAWIC Annual Meeting & Education Conference in San Antonio, Texas!

This year, Coach Jenn Lee will deliver the keynote address during NAWIC's Annual Meeting. Her keynote's topic will be "Make Great Things Happen!"

Lee is a small-business strategist, marketing consultant and a rockin', high-energy motivational speaker. Obsessed with small business owners and corporations who "get it," Lee leveraged her experience to found The Work Creative. She has 25 years of corporate sales and marketing experience. She now speaks to small business owners, sales teams and companies across the nation. Her spot-on advice has made her a regular contributor on Orlando's FOX News and FOX Business Network. In addition, she is also featured in numerous entrepreneurial podcasts and quoted in national magazines.

**Chapter 145 sponsors at least 1 Chapter member to attend!** For more information, please visit: <http://www.nawic.org/nawic/Convention.asp>

**Registration Rates\***

March 1-April 30, 2016	May 1-June 30, 2016	After June 30, 2016 and onsite
Members: \$615   Nonmembers: \$715	Members: \$665   Nonmembers: \$765	Members: \$765   Nonmembers: \$865

## MAGIC CAMP 2016

The next MAGIC Camp will be held June 27 - July 1, 2016.

MAGIC is free, week-long day camp for 7th to 12th grade girls to introduce them to a potential career in the construction industry. Many young girls are unaware of the possibility of a rewarding and financially beneficial career in the construction trades or related fields. MAGIC is designed to give them real hands-on experience. We continue to partner with several of the local trade unions to make this experience possible for young girls in Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Chapter hosted the inaugural Camp for the mid-Atlantic Region in 2009 and has held four camps since then. 2016 will be our fifth camp!

Camper registration is available as of March 1, 2016 at <http://nawicphl.org/2016-Registration>.

In order to ensure a successful event, we rely on both sponsors as well as volunteers. To donate either your time or resources, please visit:

<http://nawicphl.org/2016-Camp-Sponsors>



## Chapter 145 Would Like to Thank Its Generous Sponsors:

### JANUARY 2016 JOINT EVENT WITH ASPE



### NAWIC CHAPTER 145 FISHING TRIP

COMPANIES:



Mayfield Construction

INDIVIDUALS:

Piljo Yae

### OCTOBER 2016 MAGIC CAMP PLANNING MEETING



### NE REGIONAL FALL CONFERENCE

**Michael Baker**  
INTERNATIONAL

### CHAPTER 145 INSTALLATION DINNER

Piljo Yae

### CHAPTER 145

Denise Quigg

### 2015 AMEC CONFERENCE

**SKANSKA**

# April 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1 Congrats!</b> <a href="#">Happy Anniversary</a> Stephanie Northime(2012) Angelina Perryman (2014)	<b>2</b> 2016 WIC Week Recap Form Due
<b>3</b> Women Build America Conference	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 2016 CURT Spring Safety Summit	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Pacific Southwest Region Forum	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Chapter Event</b> University of Pennsylvania New College Housing jobsite tour & happy hour at White Dog Cafe	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> N. Central Region Forum Pacific N.E. Region Forum	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Midwest Region Forum	<b>29</b> South Atlantic Region Forum	<b>30</b> Last Day to Register Early for the 2016 AMEC