President's Letter

Dear NAWIC Chapter 99 Members,

As we enter February, I would like to take a moment to reflect on our shared achievements from January and to set our sights on the promising opportunities ahead. The beginning of the year is always brimming with potential, and February offers us a unique chance to build upon the momentum we've created.

January Recap!

On January 22, we had the pleasure of welcoming Alice Village from 3Nickels, who delivered an outstanding presentation on "Building Wealth Wisely." Her practical tips and strategies for wealth-building were incredibly valuable. The 3Nickels app is truly remarkable—user-friendly and more affordable than Netflix! Additionally, we warmly welcomed three new members: Kira O'Donnell, Dian Manriquez, and Sicy Simoes! We are thrilled to have you join our organization. A special thank you goes out to Daley's Drywall & Taping for graciously hosting the event; we are grateful for your unwavering support of NAWIC!

On February 21, we hosted Block Kids 2025 at the Alviso Clubhouse of the Boys & Girls Club. With 40 children participating across two classrooms, it was inspiring to witness their creativity as they transformed simple materials—like blocks, a rock, a string, and a piece of foil—into amazing creations. Congratulations to our winners! First place goes to Michael Vance, who will advance to the Regional Competition. A heartfelt thank you to all our volunteers and participants for making this event a success!

Additionally, I want to express my gratitude to everyone who attended our winter getaway. Your presence brought warmth and joy, making it a truly memorable experience.

Looking Ahead in February:

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 26, when Arborist Kaitlyn Shelton will join us to answer any questions you have about trees. With over 10 years of experience and a passion for education and tree health, Kaitlyn is dedicated to sharing her expertise with us. She will discuss how trees impact our daily lives and our construction projects.

This month, we will also focus on spreading the word about the scholarships available through the NAWIC Founders Scholarship Foundation (NFSF) for undergraduate and trade school students. Remember, submissions are due by February 28!

Additionally, Women in Construction (WIC) Week is just around the corner in March. This month let’s actively seek out new sponsors to support this empowering week filled with events. Together, we can contribute to a more inclusive and diverse construction industry. Stay tuned for more details on our exciting networking events—we can't wait to see you there!

As we continue our journey, let us remain focused on our mission and the positive change we aspire to create. I am excited about what we will accomplish this month and beyond, and I am truly grateful to have each of you alongside me.

Thank you for your dedication and passion. Let’s make February a month of growth and achievement!

Warm regards,

Brenda Trejo
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