

Silicon Valley Chapter #99

February 2022

President's Letter

Leading and Building Our Future

NAWIC Silicon Valley Chapter 99 is off to an exciting start for 2022. We have exceeded our Corporate Sponsorships Goals for the 2021-2022 year. Way to go Donna and Angie. Mitch Savoie Hill's presentation on Turning Roadblocks into Runways to Success was engaging and very informative. She led us through her five step process to create, refine and stay on track with our vision (goal). What a fun way to start the New Year.

Unfortunately the Block Kids competition was cancelled for this year. The Boys and Girls Club had to close for the entire month of February due to a COVID outbreak. The good news is that we now have a contact there for next year. They were really excited to have the competition there and very disappointed they had to cancel.

Our February 23, 2022 meeting will be virtual. Our speaker Bill Wagner is an EOS Implementer and a PI Certified Coach. Bill will engage us in "EOS" The Entrepreneurial Operating System. He will teach us his tricks in helping businesses thrive and be successful. Come and learn how we can become better business professionals.

There is still time to get scholarship applications in as they are due February 28, 2022. If you know someone attending college in one of the construction fields or a trade school make sure they fill out an application. There are three scholarships available through our chapter. Since these scholarships are hosted by NFSF (National Founders' Scholarship Foundation), family members can apply. The applications are in the newsletter. If you have any questions contact Shawna Alvarado.

WIC Week will kick off on Friday March 4 with a virtual Happy Hour with the National President Doreen Bartoldus. Saturday March 5 Misha Homara will lead another bike ride fund raiser at the Cyclebar with proceeds to benefit Second Harvest Food Bank. For details see the flyer in the newsletter. Kara has a fun social event of Bocce Ball on Thursday March 10 from 5:30 to 8:30. This is a great time to bring a friend and introduce them to NAWIC. Kara has posters and buttons for WIC week. We will try to get these to our members before WIC Week begins. Look for a calendar of national and local WIC week activities coming in your email.

March 23rd's meeting topic will be unconscious biases and how this affects diversity and inclusion. Location to be determined.

The PNW Forum is April 7-9, 2022 in Boise, ID. Registration forms have not been sent out yet. So watch your email for more information. It will be two days of professional development, networking and fun.

I look forward to seeing you virtually on February 23rd at 5:45 pm.

Sincerely

Laura Grabar

President 2021-2022