



PRESIDENT'S Message

President's Corner: Building the Future Together

Happy July, Chapter 76!

Can you believe we're already halfway through the year? It seems like we were ringing in the new year, and now we're enjoying the warmth (and yes, the Oklahoma heat!) of summer.

June was a wonderful month for our chapter. We held our annual elections, and I want to extend heartfelt congratulations to our 2026–2027 Board of Directors. Thank you to each of you for saying "yes" to serving our chapter. Your willingness to volunteer your time and talents is what keeps Chapter 76 strong, and I can't wait to see all that we'll accomplish together.

Executive Committee

- President: Nicole Stagner
- President-Elect: Jennifer Cearley
- Vice President: Shannon Hudson
- Treasurer: Kristi Ostler
- Recording Secretary: Jaylee Klempa
- Corresponding Secretary: Abigail Sullivan

Directors

- Paula Esposito
- Dawn Reside
- Karley Potter
- Kylie Belden
- Sarah Hopper

Another highlight of June was our job site tour of the Sunset Amphitheater in Broken Arrow. Thank you to Crossland for opening your doors and sharing this exciting project with us. It's always inspiring to see the incredible work happening in our community and to learn from the professionals who make it happen.

We are excited to announce that Kitzie Vander Kooi will be presenting an Excel class on July 28, 2026. This will be a great opportunity to expand your skills and learn helpful tips and techniques. We hope everyone who can attend will join us for this informative session.

Our Social Committee has also been hard at work planning our Summer Social in partnership with the Membership Committee and the Ways-and-Means Committee for our August meeting. We are looking forward to an evening of fun, laughter, and fellowship as we come together to reconnect and enjoy time with one another.

Stay tuned for more details about the Summer Social—we can't wait to see everyone there!

As we move through July, I hope you'll also remember to take care of yourselves. It's going to be hot out there, so drink plenty of water, wear light clothing, and give yourself a chance to cool down when you need it. We want everyone to have a safe and healthy summer.

Thank you for being part of Chapter 76. Whether you've been a member for years or recently joined, each of you brings something special to our chapter. I appreciate your support, your friendship, and your commitment to helping women in construction grow and succeed.

I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer, and I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

Have a wonderful July!

Paula Fennell,
NAWIC Tulsa Chapter 76 President 2025-26



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NEXT MEETING:

4th Tuesday of the Month
Membership Meeting
Excel Learning

LOCATION:

AGC Office
12121 E. 51st St.
Tulsa, OK 74146

RSVP email by EOB 07/24

kostler@flemingconstructiongroup.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY	BOD Meeting—07/07 6:00 pm Teams Membership Meeting —07/28 6:00 PM AGC Offices Excel Sheets Education
AUGUST	BOD Meeting—08/04 11:30 am Teams Summer Social — 08/18 6:00 PM TBD
SEPTEMBER	BOD Meeting—09/01 11:30 am Teams New BOD Installation —09/15 6:00 PM TBD
OCTOBER	New BOD/New Year



UPCOMING WEBINARS: www.nawic.org

National has stepped up and provided NAWIC members with some outstanding webinars throughout the upcoming year with the focus in two areas:

**Professional Development
& Education (PD&E)
& Membership**

The webinars should be available on the national website to view at your convenience if you can't attend the initial airing. The webinars are also listed in the Calendar of Events.

07/09—2-3pm Navigating Recent Federal Actions on DEI

Regional Forums as posted on the website.

08/13-15 in Reno, NV—National NAWIC 71st Annual Conference

Celebrating Our NAWIC Sisters!

Happy Birthday

07/22 Paula Fennell
07/15 Kaitlynn Stockam
07/15 Christi Farr

Welcome New Members

06/2026 Chelsea Wozniak
06/2026 Courtney Fehrle
06/2026 Jessica Spracklen
06/2026 Sydney Stehm

Congratulations On Your Anniversary

07/2025 Sara Shanklin

If you have changed companies, please update your information on the National Website. Also, please forward preferred email, cell number, your birthday and month to Jaylee if not yet done so.

Thank you. jklempa@pmgtulsa.com

Safety Notes for July:

July Safety Focus: Heat Illness Prevention

As summer temperatures continue to rise across Oklahoma, heat-related illnesses become one of the most significant hazards on construction sites. Long hours outdoors, physically demanding work, and exposure to direct sunlight can quickly increase the risk of dehydration, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke.

The good news is that heat-related illnesses are preventable when workers take the proper precautions.

Staying hydrated is one of the most effective ways to protect yourself. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink water. Make hydration a habit throughout the day, especially during periods of intense physical activity. Avoid excessive caffeine and energy drinks, which can contribute to dehydration.

It's equally important to take breaks in shaded or air-conditioned areas when available. Supervisors and crews should plan work activities to allow for recovery periods during the hottest parts of the day. A few minutes of rest can make a significant difference in preventing heat-related emergencies.

Every employee should also know the warning signs of heat illness. Symptoms such as headaches, dizziness, muscle cramps, nausea, excessive sweating, or unusual fatigue should never be ignored. If you or a coworker begin experiencing these symptoms, notify a supervisor immediately and seek a cooler environment.

Remember that heat stroke is a medical emergency. Confusion, loss of consciousness, hot dry skin, or seizures require immediate medical attention. Call 911 and begin cooling the individual while waiting for emergency responders.

Construction is built on teamwork, and heat safety is no different. Watch out for one another, speak up when conditions become unsafe, and don't hesitate to take action if someone appears to be struggling in the heat.

This July, make heat illness prevention a priority. By staying hydrated, taking breaks, and looking after your fellow workers, we can ensure everyone goes home safely at the end of the day.

Safety Reminder: Water. Rest. Shade. These three simple steps can save lives.



Please remember our NAWIC Endowed Scholarship at OSU

Whenever you're in a giving mood. The full name of our scholarship is the

NAWIC Tulsa Chapter 76 Endowed Scholarship In Honor of Gene Harris Fund.

On your checks or online donations,
please note the fund number: 26-75750

On-line donations: <https://osugiving.com/>
please see the "Give" tab at the top right.

Mailing Address:
OSU Foundation
400 S. Monroe, Stillwater, OK 74074

Your Scholarship Committee thanks you!!
We will add the information for our OSUIT scholarship as
soon as we can!

NAWIC TULSA CHAPTER 76
General Membership Meeting – June 2026

The General Membership of NAWIC Tulsa Chapter 76 met on June 16th, 2026, at Ricardo's in Tulsa. The meeting was called to order by President Paula Fennell at 6:29 p.m. Members present were:

Paula Fennell	Karley Potter	Jennifer Cearley	Kylie Belden
Dana Cookson	Sarah Hopper	Jaylee Klempa	Kaitlynn Stockam
Hannah Humphrey	Abigail Sullivan	Paullei Tanner	Kitzi Vander Koi
Nicole Stagner	Shannon Hudson	Kristi Ostler	Dawn Reside
Ashley Norris			

We also had two new members from Southwest Drywall!

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS:

A Quorum was established.

There was not a flag present, so the Pledge of Allegiance was not recited, but the NAWIC Pledge was recited. The Red Rose was given by Karley Potter to Nicole Stagner for being welcoming and always being someone. Karley could look up too!

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS:

President – Paula Fennell – no report

Vice President – Jaylee Klempa – no report **President**

Elect – Nicole Stagner – no report **Recording**

Secretary – Jennifer Cearley – no report

Correspondence Secretary – Sarah Hopper – no report

Treasurer – Kristi Ostler – no report.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Budget – Kristi Ostler – no report

Membership – Jaylee Klempa – No Report

Block Kids – Christi Wyatt – no report

Professional Development & Education (PDE) – Kylie Belden – no report

Diversity, Equality & Inclusion (DEI) – Vacant – for now

Marketing – Sarah Hopper – no report

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: **Social** – Jenn Cearley – No report

Ways and Means – Kaitlynn Stockam – no report

WIC Week – Nicole Stagner – no report

Safety – Dana Cookson – no report

Strategic Planning – Paula Fennell – no report Industry Outreach – Paullei Tanner – no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PROGRAM - Election for Board of Directors

President Elect - Jennifer Cearley

Vice President - Shannon Hudson

Recording Secretary - Jaylee Klempa

Corresponding Secretary - Abigail Sullivan

Directors - Karley Potter, Kylie Belden, Dawn Reside, Paula Esposito, Sarah Hopper

Treasurer - Kristi Ostler

President - Nicole Stagner

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Paula Fennell at 7:30 pm.

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We Value Your Feedback!

Please use this new QR code for you to easily share any comments, questions, concerns, or compliments. If you have suggestions on how we can address a concern or improve something, we'd love to hear from you. Likewise, if there are any ideas or features, you'd like to see, please let us know!

If you'd like your comment to not be anonymous, please feel free to include your name.

We are committed to providing transparent communication, and each newsletter will feature updates on any concerns, questions, or compliments we've received, along with responses when appropriate.

Thank you for helping us improve!

NOTES November Edition:

Question 1 - N/A





The National Association of
Women in Construction

Tulsa, OK

Membership Meeting
Excel Training

(meal will be served BYOB)

Tuesday, July 28 @ 6:00-8:00 pm

AGC Tulsa Offices

12121 E 51st St.

Tulsa OK, 74146

RSVP EOB July 24th to kostler@flemingconstructiongroup.com

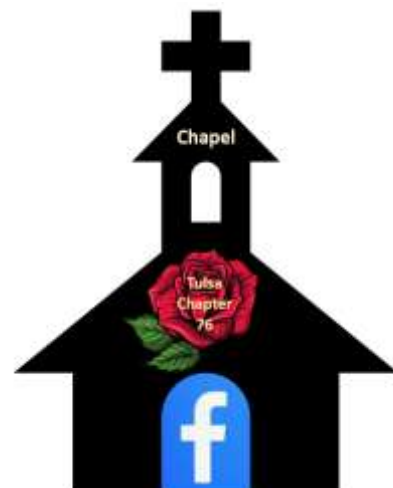
Please know we have a Private Membership page on Facebook

It's a private group and you may post your own prayer

Requests, birthday celebrations, congratulations or announcements at any time.

Or if you'd rather, please e-mail Jaylee and she'll post them for you.

This is open to all members but is strictly optional. We would ask that you read the pinned post at the top of the page.



If you'd like to join the page, simply request to be added. If you have any issues with that, please contact me: jklempa@pmgtulsa.com

Thanks, Jaylee Klempa
NAWIC Membership Support

We have an email for all questions:

Email: TulsaNAWIC76info@gmail.com

Check out our website on the go!

Find us at: nawictulsa.org

We have links to the national website along with current calendar events for our chapter and each newsletter at your fingertips!

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA:





NAWIC Meetings/ Dinners/Events Policies

A reminder of our Tulsa chapter policies concerning all of dinners and events. Please RSVP by the deadlines. We need confirmed counts for our restaurants ahead of time. If you are bringing guest(s), please supply their name and company.

All guests are paid for by the chapter the first time they visit, as well as new members—your first meeting is on us! After that, meetings/events will be charged unless otherwise indicated.

Members shall RSVP to attend the monthly meeting the Friday prior to the meeting (unless otherwise communicated) and will be billed for said meeting. Even if you cancel at the last minute, we need you to pay.

Our BOD has decided we need to be more vigilant. We run the risk of losing money as a chapter without this policy and we can't afford that.

We very much appreciate your understanding and your cooperation!

Kristi Ostler, Tulsa Chapter Treasurer kostler@flemingconstructiongroup.com

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Owasso, OK 74055

Do you have something to report?

Exciting News / Your Committee / Awards

Please forward info to Jaylee Klempa by
EOB last Friday of the month to get it in the Newsletter.
jklempa@pmgtulsa.com

NAWIC Tulsa Committee Info

NAWIC Construction Industry Outreach Committee

We have been busy promoting NAWIC and construction as a gender-neutral career field. Below is a summary of 2026 to date.

January 22: Union 8th Grade College & Career Fair – Ronny Walker, Paula Fennell, Kitzi VanderKooi, Paullei Tanner
March 9: Tulsa Public Schools Dare 2 Dream College & Career Fair @ McLain HS – Ronny Walker and Paullei Tanner
March 10: OSU-IT Scholarship Appreciation Luncheon – Paula Fennell, Ronny Walker, Paullei Tanner
March 19: Home Builders Association lunch to discuss HBA and NAWIC collaborating on few events – Paula Fennell, Ronny Walker, Paullei Tanner
March 25: Tulsa Tech Construction Career Fair – Ronny Walker, Karley Potter, Jenn Cleary, Paullei Tanner
March 31: OSU-IT Women in Industry Event – Ronny Walker, Kristi Olster, Christi Wyatt, Paullei Tanner
April 2: ABC Showcase @ Expo Square – Paullei Tanner, Kristi Olster, Jaylee Klempa, Paula Fennell
April 15: HBA Building Her Legacy – Celebrate Women in Architecture & Building
April 19-20: CareerTech SkillsUSA State TeamWorks Competition @ Arvest Convention Center
June 8: Project Tour at the BA Reagent Amphitheater

Up and coming:



Date: July 21, 2026



Time: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM



Location: Tulsa Welding School, 2545 E. 11th St., Tulsa, OK

On behalf of Tulsa Welding School, we would like to personally invite your organization to participate as an employer vendor at our upcoming Career Fair.

This is a great opportunity to connect with skilled students and graduates who are ready to enter the workforce.

Lunch will be provided for all participating employers.

Please email falesha.vonner@tw.s.edu to reserve a spot!

Your NAWIC Construction Industry Outreach Committee would like to schedule job site tours of your projects for NAWIC members to see what you do and for your company to see your NAWIC sisters. If you have a project you want to nominate to visit, please contact Paullei Tanner.



BIG THINGS ARE BREWING THIS SUMMER!

Get ready for an exciting summer event that combines the creativity of the Social Committee, the fundraising expertise of the Ways & Means Committee, and the welcoming spirit of the Membership Committee!

Our committees are teaming up to plan a fun-filled summer social that will bring members together for networking, fellowship, laughter, and fundraising—all wrapped into one fantastic event. While the details are still being finalized, we couldn't wait to share the excitement and let everyone know that something special is on the horizon!

This collaborative effort is designed to strengthen connections among our members, celebrate our chapter, and support our important initiatives through a fun and engaging fundraising opportunity. Whether you're a long-time member or new to the organization, this event is being planned with everyone in mind.

Stay tuned for more information on the date, location, activities, and ways you can participate. Please note this will take the place of our August Membership Meeting. We promise it will be an event you won't want to miss! 

Rose Recipient NAWIC Tulsa

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

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.

*Karley Potter gave the Red Rose to **Nicole Stagner**.*

Nicole has been a member of our NAWIC chapter since March of 2022. She is our current President-elect and will be President for our 2026-27 fiscal year. She is a Resident Engineer at Garver and is working on several well-known Tulsa highway projects currently in construction. Nicole is a great support to many members in



our chapter and attempts to always do what is best for our Chapter. She works hard and is dedicated to her job, yet she plays just as hard with her friends and family.

2025-2026 BOARD/COMMITTEE

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