



Central California Coast Chapter 174

April-May 2011

Serving your Chapter

President, Joan Hertel, CIT
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Secretary, Melanie Smith, CIT
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Foster Kids, Jane Kokkinakis
Block Kids, Lori Kruger
MAGIC Camp, Denise Riegel, CIT
Scholarship, Yolanda Clark
Marketing/PR, Wendi Patterson
Membership, Donna Castaneda, CIT
Newsletter and Website, Joan Hertel, CIT

Important Dates

Board Meeting

June 7 —5:30 pm

MAGIC CAMP

JUNE 20-24—CAL POLY

Foster Kids Backpacks

June 21—Russco Office Interiors

Board Meeting

July 12

General Membership

July 19

Gary Mayhugh—Safety

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear NAWIC Friends,

The last two months were memorable and very special for our Chapter.

First, I extend a hearty thank you to Jane Kokkinakis, Russco Office Interiors, for hosting our second Meet and Greet Mixer with the Santa Maria Valley Contractors Association in April. Members provided wonderful appetizers, desserts and drinks and we enjoyed visiting with our friends at the SMVCA and meeting new visitors.

FORUM! What can I say except to thank each one of you for your outstanding contribution towards making this annual regional conference a fantastic success!

Of course, our own Master Mind Elizabeth Breen, was responsible for making everything look so easy—from the wonderful meeting room, the hotel rooms, the tasty menus, the Forum program, the presidents' and speakers' gifts, the hospitality room, and a very classy Wine Tasting activity. Elizabeth, you are the Queen of Hospitality!

And who, with her mild mannered, soft spoken skill, made all the details of regis-

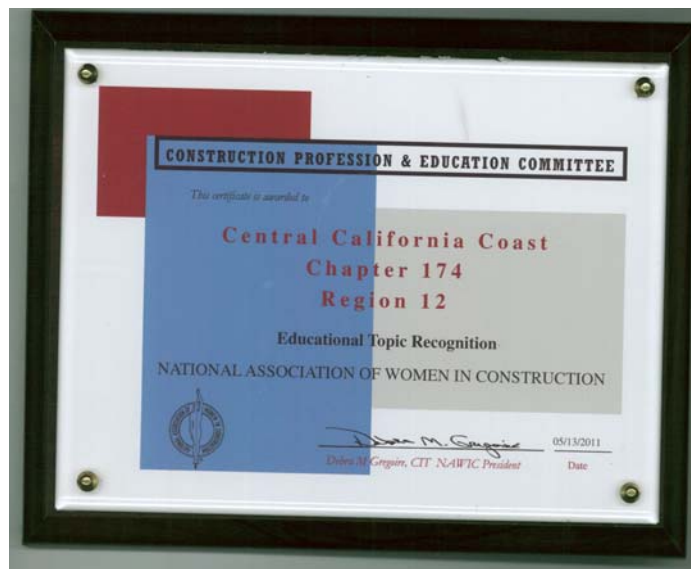
tration, registration bag items, and coordination of every committee's responsibility look like a breeze? None other than Ms. Donna Castaneda, CIT, of course! A very special thank you from all of us.

Thank you, Denise Riegel, CIT, for presenting the Credentials Report and introducing the processing presidents at the banquet! You made us proud!

See the plaque? We were recognized by the Region for our educational program topics.

Thank you, Region Director Janice Ramsay-Gonzales, for allowing us to participate and host your annual Forum. It was our honor to serve you.

Our chapter enjoyed a presentation by Ms. Brianna Daniels, PE, Principal Engineer and Construction Manager for Penfield & Smith Engineering at our May General Business Meeting entitled "Amargosa Underground Creek Conveyance Project" where she served as its Project Manager. We also elected our officers for the 2011-2012 year. Congratulations to Denise Riegel, CIT (President), Jane Kokkinakis (VP), Harper Lash (Secretary), Frances Talmadge (Treasurer), and Directors Wendi Patterson, Lori Kruger and Divya Das. I know you will do an outstanding job for your chapter!



Joan

April Meet and Greet Mixer With the Santa Maria Valley Contractors Association

Meeting Highlights

- ◆ Jane Kokkinakis, Owner, Russco Office Interiors, hosted this event at Russco's beautiful Show Room. Thank you Jane!
- ◆ A very special thank you goes to our members who provided some of the tastiest treats for all to enjoy.
- ◆ This venue provided members and guests the opportunity to promote their companies and to network with members of our community.



Donna is sharing NAWIC with a potential member!

May-June Birthdays

Julie Urquidez—June 14

*Happy Birthday,
NAWIC Star!*



Membership Report

Donna Castaneda, CIT

As tired as I was from our big Forum weekend, Brianna Daniels, PE, put on a very interesting presentation and kept me awake.

Thanks to Patti Northern for bringing her co-worker, Gwen Burries, back to see us again. Always great to see you, Gwen. Harper Lash brought guest Maryjane MacLeod with Contech, who had a vested interest in Brianna's subject! It was also good seeing Judy and Michelle Pearen! Our almost newest member, Myrna Smith with C and D Bonding, was initiated by Melanie Smith. Welcome, Myrna!

Our good friend, Robin Hayhurst, SMVCA, brought Christy Boydston, who's husband, Rocky, serves on the SMVCA Board and is with Sahara Construction. We hope to see you back, Christy!

Bring-A-Guest Contest status at this time: Judy Pearen is still in the lead with 3 points (Judy, you need to re-join before August!) Laurie Evans, Patti Northern and Frances Talmadge were tied with 2 points, but Jane joined the two pointers because her guest, Karin Cornell, joined this month! Karen Bray, Heather Gray, Harper Lash and Kellie Avila are tied with 1 point. Pat yourselves on the back, Ladies!

Many thanks to Melanie Smith for providing Membership Packets to our prospective members!

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