

NAWIC ANNUAL CONVENTION REPORT
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Judy Tart, Sara Black, and myself drove to Louisville Kentucky on August 31st. We arrived in Louisville at 6pm, but it took us 30 minutes to try to get into the hotel with all the one way streets and lane closures. On Wednesday we registered for convention and got our credentials and went to the NAWIC marketplace. at 7pm we went to the Welcome Reception, the theme was Kentucky Derby style with some of us wearing hats, our entertainment was everyone was given play money and we bet on 5 horse races, if anyone had any money left at the end you could get tickets and prizes were awarded.

On Thursday morning at 8:30 Robin Meyer called the meeting to order. Sandy Field sang our National Anthem followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Rhonda Mitchell. Inspiration was given by Judy Deweese. President Robin Meyer introduced Bill Weyland. Mr. Weyland welcomed us to Louisville. Melanie Myers gave the first credentials report. Linda Young led the adoption of the Annual Meeting Rules. Robin Meyer led the adoption of the Convention Program. Robin Meyer introduced our keynote Speaker, Jodi Walker with CPS her topic was “Communicate, Collaborate and Create the Future”. She said there were 4 types of ways to communicate they were logical, amiable, director and expressive. That we need to work together through networking to increase productivity and to believe in your dreams to create the future. Memorials were given by Mary Ellen Ledbetter. Nancy Eaton gave the report of the NAWIC Education Foundation. Carol Chapman gave the NAWIC Founder’s Scholarship Foundation report.

The board of Director’s report was given by Shirley Horne and the Executive Vice President’s Report was given by Dede Hughes. This was a trying year because of the headquarters in Fort Worth, Texas having water damage. President Robin Meyer recognized the NAWIC office staff. Debra Gregoire gave the invitation to the 2011 convention in St. Louis, Missouri on August 31-September 3rd at the Renaissance Grand & Suites Hotel. The second credentials report was given with 424 people in attendance. There was no new business we adjourned to the awards luncheon at 12pm.

At the awards luncheon Robin Meyer introduced the head table. Inspiration was given by Shirley Horne. Nancy Eaton gave the following awards. Block Kids, CAD/ Drafting and recognized the following CCA, CDS, CIT, and CBT certifications. Robin Meyer gave out the President’s awards as follows. WIC Week awards, Membership awards, One plus One, Red Rose Recruiters, Founders Trophy and Longevity awards, I was recognized as being a 25 year member. We adjourned to the professional seminars. I attended the Building Leaders at all levels. Entrepreneurial thinking are as follows
Focused Vision (70% don’t have a personal mission) you need to achieve goals and fulfill dreams
Accelerated Career Strategies- value mentor relationships, Seek Knowledge, Attitude as a skill
Confidence – your ability to present ideas or persuade others is based in part by confidence
Thinking Skills – believe in ideas
Originality – raise new questions, new possibilities, regard old problems from a new angle
Risk – One can never be content to creep when one feels a impulse to soar. (take risk)
At 4:15pm I attended the CODE – The Sales Process presented by Rob Benson. This is a way of tracking your sales. We adjourned at 6pm.

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On Friday we had to be in the lobby for pictures at 7:30am. The Professional Seminars started at 9am I attended the Scheduling for Beginners by Cheryl Mcbride. At 10:45 am I attended Reducing Energy and Water Bills with Green Technologies – Surviving in a Down Economy by Reducing Operations and Maintenance Costs. At 12:00 I attended the Installation Luncheon with the following, being installed for the 2010-2011 year

President – Debra Gregoire

President Elect – Judy Deweese

Vice President – Cindy Johnsen

Treasurer – Yasmine Branden

Secretary – Riki Lovejoy

Immediate Past President – Robin Meyer

At 2:30 I went to the professional seminar Linkedin 101, Carol said that linkedin was what yellow pages was to your business in the past, that every business should be on linkedin. On Friday night there was a world fest next to the hotel so we had some interesting foods and toured several museums.

On Saturday I attended the association meeting workshops. I went to the NAWIC Committee Workshop, Construction Profession and Education and A NAWIC swap meet. The afternoon was free so Judy and I went to Farsley Moreland landing and toured a 1800's house that the state of Kentucky has refurbished. The Crystal Visions Award Gala was held Saturday Night at 7pm the following won awards.

Carolyn Loder won the Crystal Vision Award.

Teresa Magnus won the Crystal Achievement Award

Daniel Graham won the Carol Kueker Award

On Sunday Judy, Sara and myself left at 7am and arrived back in Raleigh at 6pm on Sunday afternoon. I enjoyed this convention this year because the workshops were geared toward everyone and not just Business owners.

Sincerely,

Teresa Doman