

### **The Connection**

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#### **Association News**

#### **NAWIC** launches new DEI initiative









#### **DEI Engagement Kick-off**



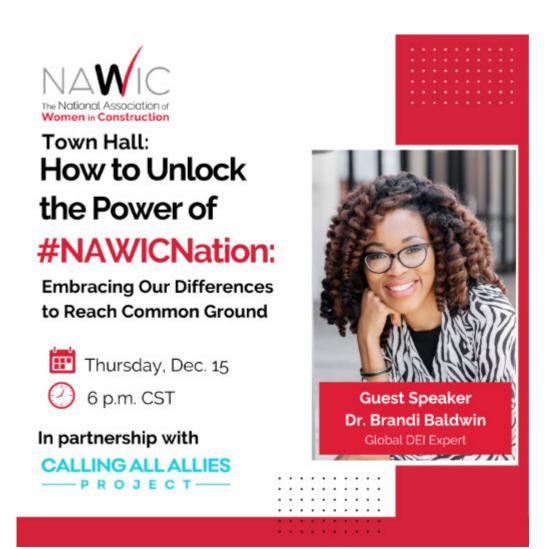
NAWIC is excited to launch its new DEI initiatives in partnership with the Calling All Allies Project (CAAP). Our first initiative is a brief Membership Engagement Survey, created by the CAAP team in collaboration with NAWIC. The survey was designed to capture key insights about our members' experiences.

All responses from the survey are anonymous and will go straight to the team at CAAP. It takes approximately five minutes to complete and will close on Dec. 16. We will disclose our findings from the survey early next year.

Questions, comments, or concerns? Fill out our anonymous form here.

Take the survey here.

Town Hall: Unlocking the Power of #NAWICNation



Join NAWIC and the Calling Allies Project for a high-impact presentation on diversity and inclusion as we engage in authentic discussion in a "cancel-free zone" to learn how to advance our careers and the construction industry in 2023 and beyond.

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PD&E Committee: Construction Suicide Awareness & Prevention Webinar

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Marketing Committee: WIC Week Prep Webinar



Please join the National Marketing Committee for a Webinar focusing Marketing WIC Week on January 3, 2022 @ 12CST/1EST.

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#### **Tradeswomen Industry Council: Goal Setting & Time Management**



Register now.





# National Officer & Region Director Applications Now Open

Are you interested in running for a National Officer or Region Director position? Applications are now open!

All applications must be submitted to Executive Director Crissy Ingram at crissyi@nawic.org by 11:59 p.m. CST on Feb. 1, 2023.

Find out more.

**New NAWIC Merch!** 



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**Closed for the Holidays: NAWIC Holiday Hours** 



The NAWIC National Office will be closed for the holidays from Dec. 23-Jan. 2. Staff will respond to any phone calls and emails when the office re-opens on Jan. 2.

Have a happy holiday season from the NAWIC National staff!

#### **Education / Training**

The Coaching Corner with Michael Riegel: Crazy is Now a Word

The Coaching Corner with Micheal Riegel

## Crazy is now a word



I know, crazy has always been a word. However, crazy has gone from just being an adjective to being an adverb. Maybe it's the language nerd in me or having been raised by an English teacher but the inclusion of

"crazy" as an adverb was interesting. And worth a little examination. Let's think of the context for the new usage. How often do you ask a colleague or friend how they are only to get a response: I'm crazy busy. There you have it. An adverb. I suppose part of the inclusion is a loosening of language or a more casual approach to the words we use.

I won't fight the linguists and I think the attachment of crazy to busy is interesting. For as long as I can remember, busy was equated with action, progress, movement. If you could not proudly claim to be busy some might consider that slacking off. Busy is unquantifiable. Busy is part attitude and part time management challenge. A podcast guest recently said "busy is what happens when you are at the mercy of someone else's schedule." We work in a schedule driven industry but that does not mean that we should relinquish our personal time or shy away from establishing boundaries to maintain productivity and maybe even a little balance.

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#### **Industry Update**

#### 9 of the year's top construction stories

The economy, lawsuits, labor challenges and supply chain woes: These are the topics that have resonated most with readers in 2022.

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#### NASA awards 3D printing firm Icon \$57.2M for space construction research

NASA awarded 3D printing firm Icon \$57.2 million to continue to research and develop technology that could help create structures on the moon's barren surface, the company announced Tuesday.

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#### Construction's supply chain outlook: more shortages, price hikes ahead

Analysts and contractors break down prices and lead times for concrete, cement, steel, lumber, insulation, drywall and HVAC equipment in the coming year.

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#### Calendar

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**15** Dec 2022

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