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Philadelphia Chapter 145 has been busy since Fall Forum defining our Chapter objectives, planning and carrying out meetings that align with objectives and broadening our network base in an effort to attract new members.

As a Chapter we have defined our objectives as:

- Maintaining connections with active construction by hosting job site tours.
- Keeping events focused on professional development in the workplace.
- Holding joint meetings with other organizations and men in an effort to broaden networking and membership reach.
- Having one activity a year that is a “give back” to the community event.
- Reaching out to youth interested in the industry.

Chapter 145 has held a few events since the fall which align well with our new focus. Some of the most successful have been our December Networking dinner where participants donated to the Philadelphia Women Against Abuse. We were able to deliver a whole car load of goods to the shelter.

In March, we held a joint meeting with the Subcontractors Association of Delaware Valley. The event focused on “Project Best Practices”. Participants learned practices for maximizing profit and minimizing claims. It was well attended by both organizations.

Our biggest and most fulfilling activity was MAGIC Camp. The Chapter hosted 12 students for a week. Students traveled to various trades and learned through hands on activities about construction careers. The final day included a job site tour and career panels. This year students also spent a day at Home Depot learning how to perform various home repairs. In addition to mentoring youth, our Chapter made a great public connection. We have been asked to speak in front of the Philadelphia Board for Economic Improvement about MAGIC and NAWIC as a whole.

Our remaining events for the summer include a job site tour, joint meeting and networking event with Women in Architecture and a professional development session regarding difficult coworkers. We are excited for the upcoming activities and hope our new objectives and drive bring new members.