

## Building Information Modeling Seminar



*Lou Shapiro and Alan Harris, Burkavage Design Associates, and Peter Duggan, Proactive Controls Group, LLC*

In March, PWC and the AIA Northeast PA Chapter sponsored a half-day seminar on Building Information Modeling (BIM). Presenters Peter Duggan of Proactive Controls Group and Lou Shapiro and Alan Harris of Burkavage Design Associates discussed the benefits of BIM and how technology is transforming the design and construction industry. The

Marywood University School of Architecture hosted the event. Following the seminar, Richard Leonori of Hemmler + Camayd architects led a tour of the new facility.

## Bidding: The Commonwealth Medical College

PWC Northeast PA kicked off 2009 with a luncheon January 15 at the University of Scranton's DeNaples Center to learn about construction plans for The Commonwealth Medical College in Scranton. The Quandel Group, construction manager for TCMC, presented an overview of the project. Guests had an opportunity to inquire about subcontracting opportunities and prequalification to bid.

## Tour of Scranton's Renaissance at 500

Members enjoyed a tour of Renaissance at 500, a downtown Scranton redevelopment project involving the restoration of nearly an entire block of Lackawanna Avenue. The July tour was led by developer Donald Rinaldi of SLR Properties.



*Gerry Gryboski, Sordoni Construction Services; Don Rinaldi, SLR Properties; Marianne Gilmartin, Esq., Stevens & Lee and PWC NEPA President*

Representatives from Sordoni Construction Services, Inc, the project's construction manager, provided additional insight into the rehabilitation process.

## Upcoming PWC Events

- April 6, 2010  
**Women's Legislative Forum** with Senator Bob Casey  
*Co-sponsored with National Association of Women Business Owners*
- May 13, 2010  
**Women's Golf Clinic** at the Scranton Municipal Golf Course



## Congratulations!

We are pleased to announce that four PWC members have been named 2010 **Top 25 Women in Business**, a recognition from the Northeast Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners, in partnership with the Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal. A special congratulations to:

*Mary Bogart  
 Bogart Engineering*

*Marianne Gilmartin, Esq.  
 Stevens & Lee*

*Susan M. Kelly, CPCU  
 Knowles Associates*

*Natalie O'Hara  
 Pace Construction Managers*

**Events, continued...**

**Women’s Golf Clinic with NAWBO**

In August, PWC and the Northeast PA Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) hosted a golf clinic with professional instructor Robert Gyuriska at the Scranton Municipal Golf Club. The informative two-hour session was followed by dinner at the clubhouse. Back by popular demand, this year’s clinic is scheduled for May 13.



**Lunch with Kristen Rose of the SWB Yankees**

PWC hosted a members-only luncheon with Kristen Rose of the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Yankees at Legends Restaurant at PNC Field in Moosic. The October event also gave members an opportunity to view the active renovation of the grass playing field. More opportunities for members to meet with regional industry leaders are in the works.

**Labor & Employment Issues Seminar**

In April, PWC and NAWBO hosted a luncheon at the Scranton Hilton and Conference Center featuring Susan Friedman, Esq. of Stevens & Lee, discussing current Labor & Employment issues confronting the construction industry

**Green Advantage Training & Certification Exam**

PWC co-sponsored Green Advantage training with Penn State Wilkes-Barre at NEPA Alliance in Pittston, PA last November. The training program was followed by a Green Advantage certification exam one week later at the same location. Several PWC Northeast PA members are now Green Advantage Certified Practitioners. Green Advantage is the nation’s longest-standing green certification for builders and building-related practitioners, and this was the first time a training and certification program was offered in Northeast Pennsylvania.

**Why Join PWC NEPA?  
It’s not just for women!**

PWC's members represent a broad spectrum of the industry that serves real estate owners, developers, facility & property managers and public agencies. They include general construction and specialty contractors; A & E firms, environmental services, and suppliers of all kinds of goods and professional services. Membership is open to women, men, and companies that support the aims of PWC.

Benefits of membership include free or reduced-fee attendance at PWC events, invitations to members-only events with industry leaders, and email notification of project opportunities. To learn more, visit [www.pwcusa.org/nepa](http://www.pwcusa.org/nepa)

**Membership Categories**

- **Corporate A:** gross income in excess of \$5M - entitled to 6 representatives; annual dues: \$750
- **Corporate B:** gross income under \$5M - entitled to 4 representatives / annual dues: \$450
- **Business:** sole prop./consultant with 3 or fewer employees – entitled to 2 reps; annual dues: \$275
- **Individual:** employee - entitled to self as representative; annual dues: \$225
- **Student:** matriculating at accredited institution; non-voting category; annual dues: \$65