

Wichita ewiConnect



2023-2024 Vice President

Jessica Buettgenbach
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Happy August EWI!

First and foremost, I want to thank Ashley for her leadership of EWI over the past year. She has faced some challenges during her tenure and has handles those challenges with grace and flexibility. It has been a pleasure to watch her steer our chapter in a new direction that will help EWI get more members and executives involved in our mission and purpose. From all those at EWI, we sure appreciate all you have done Ashley!!!

As August and a new school year begin, we can think about the 2024-2025 EWI Board. I ask each of you to really think about becoming involved in EWI. Serving on the board for the last two years has been a truly pleasure and has helped me understand EWI's mission and purpose more. It has taught me how to be a better advocate for EWI. I ask all our members to consider serving on the board or a committee if you have not done so.

Be sure to RSVP by August 16 to "DE&I: Is it really beneficial for the business?" at ewiwichita.org. Per Wikipedia DEI stands for **diversity, equity and inclusion**. are organizational frameworks which seek to promote the fair treatment and full participation of all people, particularly groups who have historically been underrepresented or subject to discrimination on the basis of identity or disability.

Our speakers will be Alicia Sanchez and Amy Williams who are both experts in this topic and have held positions at corporations to help organizations with these initiatives. I look forward to hear what they have to tell us in August.

In closing, I look forward to stepping into my role as President and welcome all suggestions and feedback during this next year. Please don't hesitate to email me (jbuettgenbach@visitwichita.com) or call/text me at 316-249-6672 with questions or concerns you are having about EWI.

Sincerely,

Jessica Buettgenbach

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica Buettgenbach".

Director Messages

Treasurer's Report
Emma Hahn, Treasurer
Stoutheart Financial Group

Commerce Operating Account:

06/01/24 Opening Balance: \$14,506.19

06/30/24 Reconciled Balance: \$16,560.28

Deposits:

1. Regular Meeting Dues: \$620.00
2. June Fundraiser Meeting Dues: \$1,494.04
3. Silent Auction: \$245.00
4. April Fundraiser Dues: \$135.00

Expenses:

1. Chamber of Commerce Dues: \$286.00
 2. Software Fees: \$120.00
 3. Operating Fees: \$14.00
 4. Website Fees: \$19.95
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Commerce BCDP Account:

06/01/24 Opening Balance: \$638.71

06/30/24 Reconciled Balance: \$638.71

Deposits:

1. N/A

Expenses:

2. N/A
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Meritrust Savings Account:

06/01/24 Opening Balance: \$23,696.15

06/30/24 Reconciled Balance: \$23,697.12

Deposits:

1. Interest: \$0.97

Expenses: N/A

Ameriprise BCDP Account (Korol Financial):

Second quarter statement not yet available

04/01/24 Starting Value: \$77,736.93



Please send payments to:

Emma Hahn

Stoutheart Financial Group

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Director Messages

Hello EWI of Wichita. I hope everyone had a wonderful 4th of July!

I wanted to let everyone know that I got married on June 08, 2024, to Dugan Frank.

My email address is now pfrank@e-aviation.com and I've dropped Din-widdie. 😊

Can't wait to see everyone at our Executive Night which is always the best time looking back on our accomplishments and celebrating our scholarship award winners!

If you aren't sure if you've registered for the meeting, please feel free to email me and I can let you know.

All my best,
Pam Frank



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Carlotta Gentry and Bonnie Simmons will be announced at July's meeting!

Carlotta Gentry was previously a 2nd representative for HealthCore Clinic, Inc. She founded I Am A Diamond, Inc. and will be joining our chapter under that company now. She is the President and CEO. It's a nonprofit and their Mission is to inspire, encourage, uplift, and motivate women who have experienced any form of abuse, drug and alcohol addictions, suicidal ideations/attempts, low self-esteem, and homelessness to let them know their lives still matter by providing resources for self-awareness, mental health, education, and life skills.



Bonnie Simmons is replacing Karen Hurley with the Wichita Regional Chamber of Commerce. She is a former EWI representative. Please welcome her back if you see her at the July and August meetings.

Bringing someone to an EWI meeting is an easy way to showcase EWI and maybe gain a new firm and representative. I'm sure you know of at least one person that could really use EWI to grow their career and broaden their connections.

EWI is a great opportunity for someone to develop business relationships and valuable community connections, to grow personally and professionally, to develop leadership experiences, to have a forum to share ideas and promote your firm, and to participate in philanthropic initiatives that make a big difference in the lives of many people in our city.

I am inviting some potential members to future meetings, come see if you know them and help to promote our chapter! If you aren't comfortable recruiting someone, just send me your prospect names and I will take it from there.



If you see our new members at future meetings, be sure and introduce yourself!

MEETING RECAP

June 2024 Chapter Meeting



- Held June 19th at Chicken N Pickle
- Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser with a gross income of **\$1,692.12**
- 1st Place Trivia Winners were the Brainy Bankers with Commerce Bank

MEETING RECAP

July 2024 Board Meeting

- ◆ Held on Wednesday, July 10, 2024
- ◆ Further discussion of StarChapter outstanding items
- ◆ Reviewed open items for June Trivia Night

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EWI WICHITA PRESENTS

DEI

IS IT REALLY BENEFICIAL FOR BUSINESS?

THROUGH THIS CONVERSATION ATTENDEES WILL DISCUSS TANGIBLE BENEFITS OF DE&I INITIATIVES AND EXPLORE IF OR HOW THESE STRATEGIES ENHANCE EMPLOYEE SATISFACTION AND OVERALL BUSINESS PERFORMANCE.



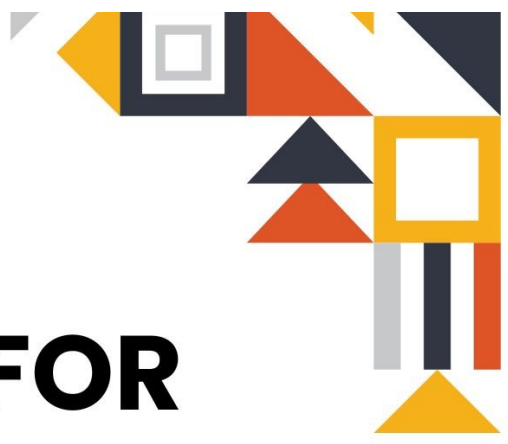
**WEDNESDAY,
AUGUST 21**

STARTS AT
5:30PM - 7:30PM

RIVER CITY BREWING CO.

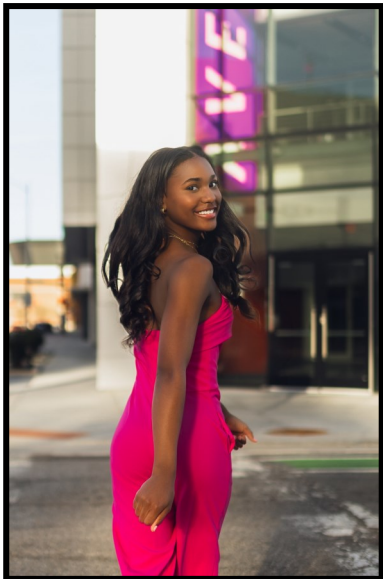
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WICHITA, KS 67202

RSVP BY AUG. 16 AT EWIWICHITA.ORG





Following are a highlights from our two EWISP scholarship winners, Kaylee Mallette and Isaiaz Whitaker. Unfortunately, Isaiaz will not be able to join us at our August meeting.



My name is Kaylee Mallette, I'm 18 years old. I graduated from Heights High School in the spring. I will be attending Neosho in the fall on a cheer scholarship and furthering my education studying nursing.

My name is Isaiaz Whitaker. I'm a first-generation low-income college student who is attending Princeton University. I plan on majoring in mechanical engineering to support and give back to lower-income families. I am the oldest sibling out of 5. Adversities like homelessness, domestic violence, and struggles at home led me to find safety at school and strive in the hard moments. Though there wasn't much, I took every opportunity to be a part of school so I could eventually succeed in college. Thanks to my college counselor and the college access programs (Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America and Horatio Alger Association), I could present myself well in my college application and get into one of the top schools in the nation. At school, I was the editor of the yearbook, coach, and player of the chess club, and a variety baseball catcher. Outside of school, I was often in charge of taking care of my siblings, I attended and volunteered at my church, and I also volunteered at the shelters I stayed at. Overall I am thankful for the opportunity to be at Princeton and be supported by scholarships like EWI.



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LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE & ANNUAL MEETING

September 18-21, 2024

TUCSON, AZ

Casino Del Sol, Tucson, AZ



Future Meeting Dates

- ◆ August Board Meeting—August 7 at Visit Wichita
- ◆ August 21 Chapter Meeting—Location River City Brewery
- ◆ September Chapter Meeting - Location TBD

All events can be found at ewiwichita.org



JULY BIRTHDAYS!

July 12—Barbara McCurdy, Alumni Member

July 15—Beverly Jones, Alumni Member

July 21—Debbie Hobbs, Alumni Member

July 22—Pam Frank, Textron eAviation



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Instagram: @ewiofwichita

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