

## ***A Message from the President***



July has been an exciting month for our chapter! We have had multiple inquiries for new membership, a familiar face has returned as the 2nd rep for HealthCore and the July chapter meeting was a huge success! I would like to take a moment to thank Pam Fullinwider, the Fundraising Director, and Angela Telford for their efforts to pull off an amazing fundraising event. They were supported by a STRONG fundraising committee and came up with quite a fun and unique theme for the second fundraising event of the year.

Their enthusiasm, creativity and tireless efforts to obtain sponsorships for the event, allowed our chapter the opportunity to raise a lot more funds. I was unable to attend personally, but have heard nothing but rave reviews from the evening. It sounds like everyone had a wonderful time.

In the coming weeks/months we will be sharing our sponsors info via Facebook, our website and the newsletter. So many of our firms stepped up to support this great event. Thank you again to all involved!!

August is our annual Executive Night and I am looking forward to our meeting. Invitations will be going out to all reps and executives by Friday, July 24th. We are excited to have at least one of our scholarship recipients attending, as well as at least one of our judges. My firm is looking forward to sharing a brief presentation and I am excited to share the year-in-review message with our executives. Please encourage your executives to attend, if possible. There will be a link on the front page of the website for RSVPs for those unaccustomed to going to our calendar.

REMINDER: Jenny Stephens sent the 2015/2016 Chapter Leadership email on July 13. Please make sure you review and respond by July 27. If you are interested in being a part of our chapter's board, now is the time to raise your hand!

Thanks,

Kim Weprin

### **2014-2015 Officers & Directors**

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Associated Integrated  
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High Touch Technologies

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#### **Program Director**

[Tami Barker](#)  
The Hyatt Regency, Wichita

#### **Dir. At Large (Foundation)**

[Dawn Truman](#)  
J P Weigand & Sons

#### **Communications Director**

[Debbie Pfingsten](#)  
Meritrust Credit Union

## From Your EWI Wichita Board of Directors

### Charlene Dreiling – Treasurer



Commerce Operating	\$11,255.25
Meritrust Savings	\$24,188.04
BCDP Commerce	\$2,202.58
BCDP TCK Trust	\$53,664.04

Remember to check out the EWI website for current monthly treasurer's reports

### Tracy Lucas Vice President/President Elect



Engaging in a leadership role on the board or through chairing a committee in EWI of Wichita are just a few ways that you can get involved. Sharing your ideas on programs, fundraising concepts and/or if you have an idea of a better way to schedule our monthly meeting dates/times can also be helpful. It's important that your ideas are shared and by serving in committees you have a voice.

### Lindsey Spiess Sergeant-At-Arms



**Active Member Firms  
(w/Reps) 45**

**Active Representatives 48**  
(includes 6 Additional Reps)

**Alumni Members 22**

### Julie Roberts— Secretary



Congratulations to Pam Fullinwider & her committee for an Enjoyable & FUN event. The Sedgwick County Zoo was the perfect venue and the weather was good for the State Fair!

Remember to visit the EWI Chapter Store by visiting the website at [www.ewiwichita.org](http://www.ewiwichita.org)



## ***From Your EWI Wichita Board of Directors (cont.)***

### **Tami Barker – Program Director**



The term for 2015 is winding down for myself in the Program Director role. Our last 3 events during my term are as follows:

August 19 - Executive Night/Scholarship Presentation. This will be held at the Hyatt Regency in the Riverview Ballroom. Please note – we will have social hour at 6:00pm instead of 5:30pm. This evening is always such a special night for our executives to attend and see first-hand how we help women grow with furthering their education as well as our accomplishments as a chapter the past year.

September 16<sup>th</sup> will be our Annual Meeting at Larkspur with our regularly scheduled time 5:30pm – Social – 6:00pm Dinner.

October 21 – Installation of our new officers of the board – this will be held at River City Brewery.

### **Debbie Pfingsten – Communications Director**



We had such a great time at the fundraising event held at the Sedgwick County Zoo! While it was scorching hot, we found a spot in the shade and enjoyed all the “State Fair” had to offer. I hope you will share your thoughts with us about your experiences along with any other information we can spread for you. As we come into the season where we are thinking about a new Board for our chapter, please consider service on the Board as the Communications Director. I have enjoyed serving for two terms in this capacity and learned so many things along the way. If you are interested, please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have. It's a great way to serve the chapter!

**Please be sure to check your Roster Pages for yourself and your Executive. There have been many changes and additions and we want to be sure we have all the correct information for contacts, invitations etc... if anything changes please advise Jeanetta Bolin ~ [Jeanetta.Bolin@CommerceBank.com](mailto:Jeanetta.Bolin@CommerceBank.com)**



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## ***From Your EWI Wichita Board of Directors (cont.)***

### **Wendy Glick Membership Director**



A warm EWI welcome to a new member firm and a returning member! Tracee Adams with Morgan Stanley was recruited by Lynne Smith and is our newest member firm, more information to follow. Returning to EWI is Davna Gould with Healthcare, as she has been in the past, she will be their 2<sup>nd</sup> Rep to EWI, in addition to Tisha Neloms. We are very excited to have Davna back!

A reminder...we like to present new members with a goodie bag as a "Welcome to EWI" at their first meeting. These bags are filled with informational and promotional items from our member firms. If you haven't helped us replenish our stock of items for the bags it's not too late. Please drop off items in quantities of 10-15 to Jan Baggett at her office at the Chamber anytime. Thanks for your support and helping make our new members feel welcome!

### **Dawn Truman Director-At-Large (Foundation)**



We are very excited to announce that Leah G. Nelson, graduate of Eisenhower High School, Goddard, KS, our 2015 EWISP Wichita Chapter recipient has been selected

to receive a \$3,000.00 scholarship from EWI Corporate! Thank you to each of you who work hard to promote EWI and spread our message!

We are making a BIG difference one person at a time!!

### **Pam Fullinwider, Fundraising Chair**



#### **EWI STATE FAIR**

**Wednesday, July 15, 2015**

**The Sedgwick County Zoo,  
Farms Exhibit**

We had a squealing good time at the EWI State Fair! It was a very warm evening, but that didn't keep folks from enjoying midway games, pig races, blue ribbon cake walk, fried pickles, chicken and waffles, caramel apples, cotton candy and BBQ.

A popular game on the midway was the pig races! Just when you thought your pig was going to win, he/she had to stop for a wiggle and giggle! Connie Velghe says that even though her blue pig didn't win any races, she still had a great time catching up with her EWI friends.

Those who participated in the Blue Ribbon Cake Walk were tempted by a large array of cakes, cookies, pastries, corn muffins and donuts. Congratulations to Theresa Hogan for receiving the 1st place blue ribbon for her farm-themed cake entry.

Congratulations  
to all the winners –  
listed next page,  
along with  
some FUN  
pictures!!



**[www.ewiwichita.org](http://www.ewiwichita.org)**



We hope you enjoy these photos of the State Fair fun!

### Blue Ribbon Cake Walk Winners

- 1<sup>st</sup> place – Theresa Hogan (Farm themed cake)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Gaile Garner (German Chocolate cake)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Teresa Arthur (pig and cow shaped cookies)



At the bean bag toss, there was a lot of competition to hit the grand slam slot to win a Wingnuts pink baseball bat!

After playing six or seven games, Pam Fullinwider is now the proud owner of two Wingnuts bags and a pink baseball bat.

Further down the midway, there was a kissing booth where you could kiss a pig and register for gift certificates to the Nifty Nut House. Many folks kissed the pig and liked it!

Marcia Miller was the lucky winner of the \$25 gift card and Candace Parry won the kissing pig! Oink, oink!

### Nifty Nut House Gift Card Winners at the Kissing Booth

- \$25 – Marcia Miller
- \$15 – Debbie Pfingston
- \$10 – Candace Parry
- Kissing Pig – Candace Parry



A BIG Thank you to everyone who volunteered to work a game booth! Sorry to those who ended up in a sunny locale!!

Many thanks to the EWI member firms that sponsored this fundraising event and to the members who donated wine, baked goods and purchased tickets. In addition to the generous sponsorships, we had \$685 in ticket sales for the games, bar, wine pull and cake walk. And finally, a BIG THANK YOU to The Sedgwick County Zoo for hosting the State Fair event!

## ***EWI Wichita Information***

### **EWI Wichita Calendar of Events**

#### **Chapter Meetings:**

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**August Board Meeting**  
**August 14, 2015**  
**Hyatt Regency**  
**Begin at 11:00 a.m.**

**August Chapter Meeting**  
**Hyatt Regency**  
**Executives Night**  
**NOTE: Social will begin at 6:00 PM**  
**instead of 5:30**

**September 16<sup>th</sup> – Annual Meeting**  
**Larkspur**  
**Social will begin at 5:30 PM**  
**Dinner will be at 6:00 PM**

**October 21 – Installation of Officers**  
**River City Brewery**

### **Return on Investment – EWI**

#### ***ROI Connections***

**Network your Business**  
**Build Strong Relationships**  
**Increase contacts locally & throughout N.**  
**America**  
**Sponsorship Opportunities**  
**PR for your firm**

#### ***ROI Careers***

**Monthly programs, chapter meetings,**  
**webinars**  
**Spring Conference and LCAM**  
**Academy of Leadership Modules**  
**Hands on Learning**  
**Board Experience**  
**EWI Fellows Scholarship**

#### ***ROI Community***

**Local Philanthropic efforts**  
**Focus on Literacy**  
**Local and National Scholarship Programs**  
**Recognition locally & through Corporate**  
**Projects**



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### **EWI Mission Statement**

**Executive Women International (EWI)**  
**brings together key individuals**  
**from diverse businesses for the purpose of:**  
**promoting member firms;**  
**enhancing personal & professional development, and**  
**encouraging community involvement.**

## ***Member Firms...***

Allen, Gibbs & Houlik, LC  
 Associated Integrated Marketing, Inc.  
 Berry Companies, Inc.  
 Butler Community College Foundation  
 Carolyn Sayre's Fine Jewelry  
 Catholic Charities, Inc. – Diocese of Wichita  
 CNH Industrial LLC  
 Commerce Bank  
 Delta Dental  
 Healthcore Clinic Inc.  
 High Touch Inc.  
 Hyatt Regency Wichita  
 imageQUEST  
 Integrated Facilities Group  
 J.P. Weigand & Sons, Inc.  
 Kansas Health Foundation  
 Kansas Strong...The Kansas Oil & Gas Res. Fund  
 Lindsey Spiess (Communications)  
 Make-A-Wish Kansas  
 Meritrust Credit Union  
 Murfin Drilling Company, Inc.  
 Noahs Event Venue  
 Professional Engineering Consultants, PA  
 Right at Home  
 Schaefer Johnson Cox Frey Architecture  
 Sedgwick County Zoo  
 Spirit AeroSystems, Inc.  
 Star Lumber & Supply, Inc.  
 Stoutheart Financial Group – Ameriprise Financial  
 TCK The Trust Company of Kansas  
 Textron Aviation  
 The Specialists Group LLC  
 Total Printing Solutions  
 United Way of the Plains  
 Visit Wichita  
 Wells Fargo Advisors  
 Westar Energy, Inc.  
 Wichita Business Journal  
 Wichita Children's Home  
 Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce  
 Wichita Marriott  
 Wichita State University  
 Wichita State University Foundation  
 Wichita, City of

\*45 Member Firms\*

\*45 Representatives\*

\*6 Additional Representatives\*

\*22 Alumni Members\*

## ***Who We Are.....***

### ***Chapter Alumni***

Ann Brady  
 Pat Campbell  
 Peggy DiStefano  
 Donna Eastwood  
 Gaile Garner  
 Jean Hedstrom  
 Deborah Hobbs  
 Jamie Hunt  
 Donna Jestmore  
 Beverly Jones  
 Susan Leasure  
 Julia Lee  
 Barbara Lisenby  
 Marg McAdams  
 Barbara McCurdy  
 Diana McLeod  
 Marlane Morris  
 Sandra Richardson  
 Marilyn Richwine  
 Vicky Sanders  
 Sharon Thomas  
 Connie Velghe

### ***July Birthdays***

6<sup>th</sup> – Pam Fullinwider

12<sup>th</sup> Barabara McCurdy

15<sup>th</sup> - Bev Jones

16<sup>th</sup> – Marlane Morris

19<sup>th</sup> – Stacy Guinn

21<sup>st</sup> – Debbie Hobbs

22<sup>nd</sup> – Pam Dinwiddle

28<sup>th</sup> - Kelley Decesaro

30<sup>th</sup> - Melinda Speer

## ***EWI Wichita Chapter Community Outreach***

***Together We Can Make a Difference!***

### **EWI Wichita Group Community Outreach Ticker**

#### **Chapter Dollars Invested:**

#### **Volunteer Hours Invested:\***

<b>Reading Rally – 10/1/14</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Lord's Diner – 12/2/14</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Botanica – 12/11/14</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Dress for Success – 2/5/15 &amp; 4/2/15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Catholic Charities – 2/20/15</b>	<b>10.5</b>
<b>Center of Hope – 4/19/15</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Amber Waves – 5/15/15</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Salvation Army – 5/22/15</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>196.5</b>

**\*EWI Wichita Group Volunteer Hours Annual Goal = 1,000**

**NEXT UP ~**

**Back to School Supply Distribution Thursday August 13<sup>th</sup>**

***Please sign up by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 -***

**Contact: Jessica Emrick | [jessica.emrick@wichitamarrriott.com](mailto:jessica.emrick@wichitamarrriott.com) 316-462-3164**

Calling out to the animal lovers in the group.....for those of us that have furry family members..... Individual Volunteer Opportunity on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Sedgwick County Park. Volunteers are to sign up by August 26<sup>th</sup> if they plan on helping. I chose to make this an individual volunteer opportunity because of the various shifts and two day option to volunteer. Friday is set up and there are several time frames available to help on Saturday, the actual day of the event. Woofstock is the largest fundraising event of the year for the KHS, this would be a great opportunity to showcase our organization and membership by wearing our EWI T-Shirts on the day of the event. They expect over 10,000 people!

See options for the Friday setup and then on Saturday the actual day of the event listed on the flyer provided previously. There will be information that we need from those wishing to volunteer and the different options for shifts. They will make the placements. The earlier you can commit the better. They do require all volunteers to sign a waiver.



## Member Firm News ~

Meritrust Credit Union recently celebrated the Grand Opening of their newest branch at 4319 N. Meridian. We are so proud of this new location and the staff at the Lakeside Branch is truly there to serve our members.

Congratulations to Meritrust staff and membership!

Another BIG Congratulations to Martha Linsner with TCK The Trust Company of Kansas on the prestigious award of being named one of the top 20 "Women in Business" from the Wichita Business Journal!!



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## ***EWI Corporate Professional Development***

Visit EWICConnect.com to access the many archived professional development webinars as well as other useful information on the corporate website.

Please continue to scroll down and review the flyers from EWI Corporate ~ THANKS!

Get up close and personal in Tulsa at LCAM 2015 for three days of Connections, Careers, Community. **IGNITE** your passion for professional development, **ENGAGE** in networking opportunities with attendees from across the country and help the Tulsa community **THRIVE**.



### Keynote Speaker

#### Gail McWilliams



Gail McWilliams has an instinctive ability to capture and lift the spirits of people, empowering them for a renewed reach toward dreams and purpose they once thought impossible. She has a vivacious personality, effervescent humor and an uncanny capacity to deliver her life-message. Her personal story of how she lost her eyesight will amaze you as she challenges you to have a bigger vision. Gail and her husband, Tony, recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary and they together enjoy five miracle children, which the doctors said they would never have! She expresses an overcoming spirit along with a down-to-earth sincerity, thereby helping others to win their battles in everyday life. No wonder Gail is met with such broad and energetic approval across the nation as she delivers penetrating inspiration, motivating audiences to ascend new summits.

### Plenary Session

#### Drum Cafe



Group drumming is possibly the oldest form of teambuilding. For thousands of years people have been using the drum for communication, preparation for battle and community celebration. A Drum Café session will help to break down barriers and push boundaries with a great unifying effect. It fosters cooperation and revitalizes the workforce. It is a metaphor for high performance teaming. With a team of world-class drummers and a drum for each participant, a Drum Cafe facilitator skillfully conducts the group so that within minutes they are drumming together in perfect harmony. The effect of experiencing your company as a synchronized drumming orchestra is both moving and highly motivating for each participant.

For complete details and to register, visit [ewiconnect.com/lcam2015](http://ewiconnect.com/lcam2015).

## Join EWI in Tulsa

for the **68th Leadership Conference & Annual Meeting**.

You won't want to miss this chance to get up close and personal in Tulsa at the Hyatt Regency Tulsa. LCAM will offer connections, career enhancement, and community involvement. **Mark your calendar for September 23–26, 2015. See you in Tulsa!**



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# EWI READING RALLY



*This year's Corporate Reading Rally beneficiary is Emerson Elementary School in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Help us make September 23, 2015 a day to remember!*



All Box Tops must be received by  
**September 4, 2015.**

Remit Box Tops in plastic bags with your name and Chapter written on the bag. Each bag should contain 50 Box Tops. The EWI member who collects the most redeemable Box Tops will receive an Amazon Kindle Please mail all **unexpired** coupons to:

Arvest Bank  
Attn: Heather Rettedal  
502 S Main St.  
Tulsa, OK 74103

*Autographs, please!*



Do you know an author? EWI would like to collect **77 autographed books** for Emerson Elementary's library.

The organizations' goal this year is to collect **77,000 pages**. Shipping instructions will be shared later.



Selections are published by  
member firm Usborne Books & More.

## 2015 Book Selections

*Secrets of the Apple Tree* by Carron Brown & Alyssa Nassner (K—Grade 2)

*Do Nice, Be Kind, Spread Happy* by Bernadette Russell (Grades 3-6)



Monetary donations are greatly appreciated to help us stock the library with a **book truck**, **atlas stand**, **Lego robotics lab**, **iPads** and **science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM)** and **art reference books**. Please send monetary donations to the Corporate Office no later than August 17, 2015 with the following note on the memo line: **EWI CORP LITERACY TULSA.**