

August 2015

# A Message from the President



August was a wonderful month for EWI of Wichita. Our annual Executives Night meeting was a great success, with 100 RSVPs! Thank you all for attending and inviting your executives and family.

I hope everyone enjoyed hearing from our scholarship recipients as much as I did. Thank you again to Dawn and Stacy for all of their hard work throughout the selection process. Thank you to everyone who made executive Night such a success. It's always wonderful to be able to share with our executives the great things we do as a chapter each year. And we've certainly done quite a bit this year.

With LCAM coming up, I will be sending out the annual meeting packets for you to review prior to our September meeting. This will allow us to move through the proposed amendments quicker, and allow for more discussion. If you plan on attending LCAM and haven't let Tracy Lucas know yet, please do so ASAP, so you can be included on any planning meetings.

Please remember to check your representative, executive and firm rosters on the website, and let Jeanetta Bolin know if you have any changes. As we get closer to transitioning to the new board, we'd like to be able to pass along a completely upto-date website.

Hope to see you all at September's meeting!

Thanks,

Kim Weprin

## 2014-2015 Officers & Directors

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Kim Weprin
Associated Integrated
Marketing, Inc.

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# From Your EWI Wichita Board of Directors

## Charlene Dreiling – Treasurer



Commerce Operating \$12,851.82 Meritrust Savings \$24,189.07

BCDP Commerce \$1,202.58
BCDP TCK Trust \$53,664.04

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

## Lindsey Spiess Sergeant-At-Arms



Active Member Firms (w/Reps) 44

Active Representatives 52 (includes 8 Additional Reps)

Alumni Members 22

## Tracy Lucas Vice President/President Elect



Committee assignments are nearly done. Be ready for another great year in our chapter. Thank you to everyone who has accepted a leadership role and have been eager to serve on a committee. I look forward to the next several months as we head into a new year with EWI of Wichita.



Julie Roberts-Secretary

Let's get involved with EWI!

What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.

Jane Goodall

Remember to visit the EWI Chapter
Store by visiting the website at
www.ewiwichita.org

ewiwichita.org

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

Tami Barker – Program Director



As I write this on a beautiful August morning (who remembers ever saying beautiful and August in the same sentence??) I am amazed at how quickly this year has gone. I want to personally thank each and every one of your for your friendship. The number of you that reached out after my daughters accident (even though she was not hurt) was amazing and truly appreciated. I cherish all of you!

September 16ths will take us to Larkspur for our Annual meeting and back to our normal time with Social at 5:30 PM and Dinner at 6:00 PM.

October 21<sup>st</sup> we will be at River City Brewery for Installation of the Board.



# **Debbie Pfingsten – Communications Director**

Executive Night at the Hyatt was a great meeting to attend. My favorite meeting has to be when we get to meet our scholarship recipients.

I love how our chapter wraps their hearts around this project and finds some of the most deserving people to take advantage of our scholarship offerings. If you haven't been involved in either the EWISP or ASIST scholarship committees you should consider serving in this capacity. It's a truly rewarding task and much of what our chapter is about. On another note, I want to thank the chapter for allowing me to serve as your Communication Director and letting me learn many things I had never been exposed to in the past. For the newby's in the chapter, go ahead and get your feet wet with something you want to learn in our chapter. It's one of the safest places I know to learn! Enjoy the rest of your summer!

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



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

## Wendy Glick Membership Director

I learned it from Dawn! Former membership chair Dawn Truman has always said, "It's not just the membership chair's role to invite new firms and representatives to become a part of EWI Wichita, IT'S SOMETHING WE CAN ALL DO!"



That was her message in October of 2014 and one that still resonates today. A big thank you to all you reps who have shared information about EWI with friends, colleagues, and potential member firms.

In 2014, Dawn promised the rep who recruited the most new firms a gift card to Bradley Fair and because our lives are just a little bit crazy, we never had the opportunity to formerly say "thanks" to that special person so.... Dawn and I want to give a special thanks to one EWI rep who has excelled in generating new members to EWI, Lynne Smith. Lynne is responsible for bringing several new firms to EWI in the last two years, including two new firms that she herself was the rep for. The long awaited recognition and gift card will be given to Lynne at the September meeting.

I hope you'll be there to thank Lynn in person!

## Pam Fullinwider, Fundraising Chair



Many Thanks to Pam and her awesome committee for all of their hard work on Fundraising this year!!! GOOD JOB!!

# Dawn Truman Director-At-Large (Foundation)



The 2015 Executive Night was a wonderful evening for our two scholarship recipients. It was announced that our EWISP scholarship recipient, Leah G. Nelson, was also the recipient of a \$3,000.00 scholarship from EWI Corporate!

Leah attended Executive Night with her parents. She shared her goal of becoming a pediatric rheumatologist. Leah had experienced some childhood medical challenges that resulted in her desiring to enter into her chosen field

Our 2015 ASIST scholarship winner, Janell Miller, attended Executive Night with her four children and her mentor. Janell will be attending WSU in the spring of 2016 to obtain a counseling degree. Janell shared briefly how much it meant for her to be able to be an example to her children that you can pursue your dream and change life's direction if you never give up on yourself.

Both recipients extended their gratitude to you and to the Wichita Chapter of EWI in allowing them to give back to the community. Leah and Janell each indicated that without their respective scholarship it would be difficult for them to achieve their degrees.

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## **EWI Wichita Information**

## <u>EWI Wichita</u> Calendar of Events

**Chapter Meetings:** 

**September Board Meeting To be announced** 

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



#### **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.

## ewiwichita.org

## 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

\*44 Member Firms\*

\*44 Representatives\*

\*8 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** 

# August Birthdays

6<sup>th</sup> – Pam Fullinyvider

12th Barabara McCurdy

15th - Bey Jones

16th - Marlane Morris

19th - Stacy Guinn

21st - Debbie Hobbs

22<sup>nd</sup> – Pam Dinwiddle

28th - Kelley Decesaro

30th - 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:\*

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

<sup>\*</sup>EWI Wichita Group Volunteer Hours Annual Goal = 1,000

## NEXT UP ~

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 EWIT-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** ~

## Wichita Metro Chamber announces 2015 Leadership Wichita class

WICHITA, KS — Thirty-one Wichita-area citizens have been selected to participate in the 2015 Leadership Wichita class, a leadership training program presented by the Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce. Leadership Wichita participants are identified through a nomination process, followed by submission of a formal application to the program's Board of Trustees for selection.

"Leadership Wichita provides professionals the training to use their talents and skills to tackle local needs, such as education and economic development," said Darcee Datteri, PhD, Chair of Leadership Wichita Board of Trustees. "Past participants of Leadership Wichita have made significant changes in our community, and this year's class will graduate equipped with the insight to build upon their professional successes to make Wichita an even better place to work, live and play."

The 2015 class will participate in eight sessions that cover issues such as economic development and the future vision for Wichita, workforce development and the impact of ensuring a highly educated workforce in our community, the importance of consensus within government, along with building leadership skills through real-life examples, group discussions and collaboration.

The 2015 Leadership Wichita class will begin Thursday, September 3 and will conclude Thursday, November 19. One of our EWI Representatives is among those chosen ~ Our President Elect ~

#### CONTRATULATIONS TO TRACY LUCAS ~ HIGH TOUCH TECHNOLOGIES!!!



# EWI Corporate Professional Development

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