

September 2015

A Message from the President



It's hard to believe that it's been a year since I began serving the chapter as President. It's been a great and very rewarding year, and it is with great excitement I look towards the new board's future and purpose. But first, I would like to reflect on the past year. The theme I chose for my year of service was, "Growth." As I mentioned in my installation speech, and again during Executive Night, growth isn't always about numbers or volume.

While we did add new firms, and additional reps from established firms, and that is fantastic. The growth I felt the deepest, on a personal level, was more in ourselves, as a board, and more specifically myself. I have always been someone who sees what needs to be done and jumps in and does it myself. You learn very quickly serving as president that you can't do it all yourself. I challenged myself to rely on the awesome team surrounding me this year. In doing so, I grew as a person, as a leader and as a manager at my office.

I have been honored to have the opportunity to work closely with some amazing women on the EWI of Wichita board. Women who are dedicated to the success of our chapter and this organization. I am so thankful to have served with all of you, and look forward to continued collaboration in the future.

We attempted some new chapter meeting styles this year, with the Facebook morning meeting, and the March Game Night. Both were successful, and provided us learning experiences for future meetings. As a chapter we had many opportunities to reach out in the community and volunteer with many great organizations. But, the experience that I will carry with me for a very long time is the way the chapter came together to support the families of Colvin Elementary in December to provide food boxes for those in need. I have never been more proud, and honored, to be a part of this organization.

So, as my year comes to an end I want to thank all of you for your support, contributions and teamwork during the past year. It has truly been my pleasure to serve, and I am excited to continue to be a part of this great chapter! Thanks.

Kim Weprin

2014-2015 Officers & Directors

President

Kim Weprin
Associated Integrated
Marketing, Inc.

Vice President

<u>Tracy Lucas</u> High Touch Technologies

Secretary

Julie Roberts
CNH, Industrial LLC

Treasurer

<u>Charlene Dreiling</u> Allen, Gibbs & Houlik, LC

Fundraising

Pam Fullinwider
Wichita State University
Foundation

Membership Director

Wendy Glick Catholic Charities

Sergeant-at-Arms

<u>Lindsey Spiess</u> Lindsey Spiess Communications

Program Director

<u>Tami Barker</u> The Hyatt Regency, Wichita

Dir. At Large (Foundation)

<u>Dawn Truman</u> J P Weigand & Sons

Communications Director

<u>Debbie Pfingsten</u> Meritrust Credit Union

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From Your EWI Wichita Board of Directors

Charlene Dreiling – Treasurer



I am glad to have had the opportunity to serve the Wichita Chapter as Treasurer. Hopefully the changes made to the recordkeeping will make the job and transition easier for our next Treasurer. Thank you to Davna Gould who is willing to serve as Treasurer for the next 2-yeart term.

Below are the bank balances as of September 30, 2015

Commerce Operating \$7,191.49

Meritrust Savings \$24,191.09

BCDP Commerce \$2,553.98

BCDP TCK Trust \$50,194.06

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.

Lindsey Spiess Sergeant-At-Arms



Active Member Firms (w/Reps) 44

Active Representatives 52 (includes 8 Additional Reps)

Alumni Members



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

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From Your EWI Wichita Board of Directors (cont.)

Tami Barker – Program Director



It has been my pleasure to serve as your Program Director the past 2 years. I appreciate those of you who helped with ideas for programs and volunteer opportunities. A special thank you to Jessica Emrick who handled our Community Engagement / Volunteerism opportunities this year and to Carolyn Sayre for her help with Professional Development opportunities.

I am excited for the passion that Pam Fullinwider will bring to this position in 2015/2016.

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

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...



Debbie Pfingsten – Communications Director

It's that time again....the change of the guard and their supporting team. It's bittersweet to leave my post as Communication Director:

however, I have learned so many things from each of you and hope to continue along that path.

I must give ALL the credit to my team because they worked so hard to bring you information in a clear and timely manner with a little bit of fun along the way. Thank you from the bottom of my heart to:

Joan Rapp, Newsletter Chair Mallory Minor, Social Media Chair Jeanetta Bolin, Website Chair Karen Smith, Executive Outreach Committee

We've tried some new things, changed a few things and did our best to communicate to the chapter as a whole. It was our pleasure to serve the chapter and best wishes going forward to Tracy Lucas, our new Chapter President and her Board. I'm looking forward to what next year will bring EWI-Wichita. You will be fabulous!



From Your EWI Wichita Board of Directors (cont.)

Wendy Glick Membership Director



I'd like to publically thank Kim Weprin for her patience and support this past year. This was my first year on the EWI board and to serve as the membership chair. The processes for recruiting and bringing on new members is a bit complicated and Kim was so kind to me – allowing me to learn and not yelling at me when I goofed up. Not even one time!

I so appreciate that she will continue to support the board as past president, sharing her insight and experience to ensure that EWI Wichita will continue to thrive. Thank you Kim for all that you did for me and all the member firm representatives to our local EWI chapter.

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)



Teresa Arthur, Chair, and the Reading Rally committee continue to make plans for Reading Rally at Colvin Elementary on November 4th.

Teresa extends a thank you to the many responses she has had from our membership for Reading Rally volunteers. There is still an opportunity to donate to this wonderful event if your firm would like to still do so. Please contact Teresa Arthur at Teresa.Arthur@CommerceBank.com to find out how you might participate in this event.

Thank you everyone for your support of this year's Reading Rally! We are changing children's lives and making a difference in our community!

www.ewiwichita.org



EWI Wichita Information

EWI Wichita Calendar of Events

Chapter Meetings:

October 21 – Installation of Officers **River City Brewery** 150 N. Mosley Street Wichita, KS 67202 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Return on Investment - EWI

ROI Connections

letwork your Busines: **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.

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

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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

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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

September Birthdays

1st - Laurie O'Leary

5th – Ann Brady

16th – De Nelson

22nd - Carolyn Sayre

October Birthdays

 2^{nd} – Theresa Hogan

11th - Marcy Ray

12th – Julie Roberts & Lindsey Spiess

 13^{th} – Jean Hedstrom

16th - Marilyn richwine

21st - Karen Smith

22nd Rhonda Fullerton & Sandy Richard

23rd - Gaille Garmer



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

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

NEXT UP ~

Hunger Awareness Chili Cook Off- WSU - Ulrich Museum, Saturday,

Group Opportunity

Join the fight against hunger in our community....One in six people struggles with Hunger in America. This is a fundraiser for Kansas Food Bank and Hunger Awareness month. Guests pay \$20 to participate with buys a bowl and chili. Students pay \$10 which buys a bowl and chili. In exchange for the \$20 donation, participants choose a bowl to keep as a reminder of all the empty bowls in the world. Select your favorite bowl from hundreds of handmade ceramic vessels, fill it to the brim with over 20 varieties of chili donated by chili lovers and local celebrity chefs, and enjoy a fun-filled afternoon. All proceeds will benefit the Kansas Food Bank in honor of Hunger Awareness Month.

This is a fun Chili Cook Off that people get to vote for! They need volunteers to man the food stations, sell bowls, help with the professional artists auction, to donate chili, etc. It is in Henrion Hall at Wichita State University.

Empty Bowls Chili Cook-off is in collaboration with the WSU Ceramics Guild, Hunger Awareness at Wichita State University, the WSU Elliott School of Communication, and KMUW.

Thank you! Thank you! In advance! I know how valuable your time is! Join me in partnering with another EWI firm to raise the most money to fight hunger in our community! This is my last Community Outreach event and I would love to have a team of volunteers at the group opportunity!

LCAM News ~

Candace Parry ~ Sept. 24:

I attended the Alumni Experience with Angela Telford and we listened to Michael Wallis, storyteller, as he told the life story of Waite Phillips, founder of Phillips Petroleum. The family donated their 72-room mansion to the city of Tulsa, which is now the Philbrook Museum of Art.

Sept. 25:

I attended the breakout session, How to Deliver Great Programs, that was conducted by Diane Barber, EWI of Harrisburg. She provided good suggestions in planning / presenting a good program through a PowerPoint visual

Dawn Truman ~ Sept. 26:

Annual Meeting – Delegates: Dawn Truman and Candace Parry, who were instructed and uninformed as directed at the Chapter meeting on Sept. 16. Head Teller: Angela Telford. The total count: 226 registrants at the conference; 72 appointed delegates and 42 appointed alternate delegates.

MORE TO COME FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING LCAM IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA IN 2015!!!

(WE WANT TO HEAR ALL ABOUT YOUR "MEETING" AT THE CAIN'S BALLROOM!!!)



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.