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DECEMBER WEBINAR

Tuesday, Dec 6, 2016 3 pm ET (2 pm CT, 1 pm MT, 12 pm PT)

The Value-add in Volunteering: 5 Competences You Can Take Anywhere

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jill Gaffney 2016-2017 Corporate President

November is a very special time of giving thanks and I would like to take this time to share my gratitude to those that have stepped up to lead their chapters and to serve in the mission of EWI. Our

organization offers so many opportunities for women to grow in their own personal development and to nurture others along the way. Please pass on the gift of EWI to future generations by continuing to "Build the Bridge" for others to follow.

CORPORATE BOARD UPDATE

Your 2016 - 2017 Corporate Board along with Kristine Pepin, our Director of Operations, just completed a productive board retreat in Omaha Nebraska last week. During those three days we were able to complete the following;

- We met with an independent financial consultant to review our investments.
- We visited a member firm of EWI of Omaha, Borsheims who
 makes our EWI jewelry. That evening we attended the EWI of
 Omaha chapter meeting where we had an opportunity to connect
 with their members and share in a very meaningful presentation
 about caring for elderly parents and loved ones.
- We held a conference call with the EWI Task Force to discuss their research regarding the future of EWI. Our Task Force Director, Brenda Kanno, EWI of Honolulu and Past Corporate President, joined us in person as we made the call at her own expense.
- We reviewed our preliminary financials from last year and even though they are looking positive we discussed ways we could continue to save money this year.
- We spent time discussing LCAM 2017, dates & locations and we will be looking for volunteers to help with the details and implementation of LCAM next year.
- We fine-tuned assignments for our Membership Advisors, Corporate Board and Corporate Office staff to keep the operations of the organization running efficiently.

MEMBERZONE UPDATE

Cortney Ihde, EWI of Milwaukee and past Corporate Director, presented our November webinar on MemberZone this past Monday. She shared the step by step instructions on how to complete your member profile and how to access valuable resources from our MIC (member information center). If you did not have the opportunity to participate in the webinar, you can still find it on our EWI website. Cortney along with the Corporate Board are dedicated in assisting you with all of your registration and renewal questions in MemberZone.

Please contact us at ewi@ewiconnect.com and use the subject line: MemberZone questions and your chapter name so that we can assist you in a timely manner.

CHAPTER REMINDERS

Please submit your yearend financials, Form 1 and Form 31 and your BCDP participation form to the Corporate Office no later than November 30th. We requested that the reports be submitted by the 15th in order to have time to collect them and submit them to our accounting firm but will accept them up until November 30th. If you need assistance with your forms please contact us.

Our accounting office has also requested that you complete the <u>Affiliate letter</u> stating your Chapter's wish to be included in the Corporate Tax Return.

Also, remember to please send all of your EWI Chapter minutes and Connects to **secretary@ewiconnect.com**.

DOWNLOAD AND VIEW LCAM PHOTOS

Ready to relive the experience of LCAM 2016? The event photos by member firm *Rogue Heart Media* are now available to view via their easy to use *online gallery*! The images are even being made available for FREE DOWNLOAD, so please find and share the memories to promote your Chapter and the success of LCAM! If you'd like to order prints, you can do so through this online gallery, and if you have any questions feel free to reach out to the photographer, Megan Kennedy, at megan@rogueheartmedia.com.

Chapter presidents, if your head shot taken during LCAM, we encourage you to please select your favorite portrait for inclusion in next year's LCAM program. You can view the Head Shot Gallery *here*; and simply leave a comment on your favorite image with your name, chapter, and title of service (VP or President). If you would like to access your head shot for your personal and professional use, the photographer has made the files downloadable for \$35 (a 20% discount), which allows the purchaser license to use online and in print up to 8x10.

Please contact me if you have any concerns, questions or comments. I am dedicated to the success of EWI and your chapter.

With Gratitude, Jill Gaffney - EWI Corporate President

"Never doubt that you are valuable and powerful and deserving of every chance and opportunity in the world to pursue and achieve your own dreams." Hillary Clinton EWI of Omaha 402.661.8383 dvauble@woodmen.org

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