

A Message From Your President

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Dawn Truman

J. P. Weigand & Sons, Inc.



Membership, I want to thank you for all the support you have provided the board and me this year. Thank you so much for your attendance at our June business meeting. The members of our chapter have voted to approve changing the cost for the second mandatory fundraising event to \$35.00 as well as adding a convenience fee to all online transactions (PayPal and/or credit card). Thank you again for your participation in this process.

A special thank you to Schaefer Johnson Cox Frey Architecture and their team for a wonderful firm night last month. What an extensive role they have played in so many firms and organizations in our community. It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to meet the various members of their firm. We are proud you are a member firm of the Wichita EWI chapter.

Your EWI board want to extend our appreciation to Dana Taylor with SJCF for her willingness to serve as our Membership Director. Her EWI passion is evident and we look forward to working with her as we work to grow our chapter membership. Our number of firms has decreased in the last few years and it is imperative that we all work together to continue soliciting diverse industry firms to reach an optimum networking balance. Let's strive to expand our chapter membership and share the many benefits with new member firms and their representatives. It's all about Careers, Connections and Community!

Supporting our Nonprofit Members: Each quarter we are offering a chance for our EWI members to assist one of our own nonprofit members with needs that they have at that time. If you wish to assist the **HealthCore Clinic** with needs for their school backpack initiative please feel free to bring items listed on Page 2 to the July and/or August meetings or take them directly to Davna at HealthCore Clinic located at 2707 E. 21st St North. All contributions are greatly appreciated and will assist in lightening the load for this critical community organization. Thank you HealthCore Clinic for all the services you provide our community!



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Message from your President (cont'd)

HealthCore Clinic provides backpacks filled with school supplies to their patients each fall. If EWI members would like to donate school supplies to help fill the backpacks HealthCore Clinic ordered that would be great! Their goal this year is to fill 300 backpacks. They will hand them out in August to children of families that utilize their services. The following are needed items:

Spiral Notebooks (Wide and College Rule)

Pocket Folders

Pens

Pencils

Erasers

Glue Sticks

Crayons

Markers

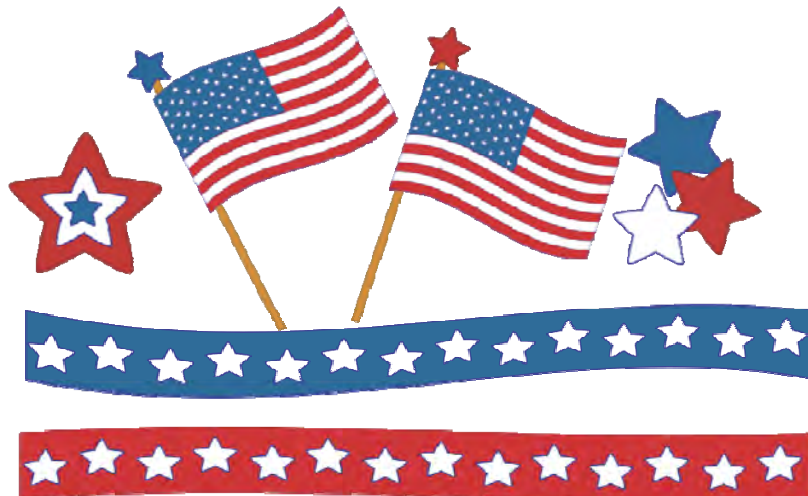
Photo Release Forms: If you have not submitted your executed Photo Release Form as discussed at our June meeting please do so to me at truman@weigand.com. If you have any questions regarding the form please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss. Thank you so much for assisting us in this process.

Upcoming Connection Opportunities:



Please join us at our **July 19th meeting** at the Hyatt Regency Wichita where **Junetta Everett, Vice President for Professional Relations at Delta Dental of Kansas** will speak on the impact of diversity and inclusion in our workplaces. As leaders in our firm we set the tone for open workplaces where our co-workers

feel engaged and valued. Come learn more about this timely and critical topic. Please make sure you invite your Executive and co-workers to this meeting.



Message from your President (cont'd)**Executive & Scholarship Night
Wednesday, August 16, 2017**

Please join us for a very special evening Wednesday, August 16th at the Wichita Country Club as we introduce you to our two 2017 Executive Women International scholarship recipients. We are very proud of these ladies and we look forward to them sharing their inspiring stories with us.

EWISP – Emily Doffing of Kapaun Mt. Carmel High School is our 2017 EWISP Recipient.

ASIST – LaRhonda Douglas has been chosen as our 2017 ASIST Recipient. LaRhonda attends Butler Community College majoring in Accounting.

During this special evening, J. P. Weigand & Sons, Inc. 3rd generation owner, Nestor R. Weigand, Jr. is honored to share the Weigand story with our EWI member firms. We will also bring you up-to- date information on the Wichita real estate market as well as new housing trends. JPW auctioneer, John Rupp, will be auctioning off a surprise item that evening to support our philanthropic initiatives. Formal invitations will be sent to all executives and representatives.



I am very excited to announce that we have nine Wichita chapter members attending the 70th Annual Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting (LCAM) - September 21st – 24th at the Courtyard Marriott in Dallas, Texas, for 2.5 days of leadership training sessions. It is still not too late to make your reservation. Karen Smith has room for riders in her vehicle if you would like to attend.

Have a great July and thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President. I am so blessed with your friendship and support.

Committee Updates



Teresa Arthur | Director-at-Large

Now that both scholarship recipients have been chosen for 2017, I would like to recognize EWISP Co-Chairs Nancy Umholtz & Stacy Guinn, as well as ASIST Chair Jeanetta Bolin, and thank them for all their hard work in navigating through the scholarship selection process. There are a lot of moving parts, and they did a fantastic job of seeing the process through. Our scholarship recipients will be honored at Executive's Night in August.

Reading Rally planning is underway and will continue throughout the summer. Please contact Julie Roberts if your firm would like to make a donation toward this fall's rally.



Tami Barker | Vice President

I hope that you and your families had a very happy 4th!

I do have unfortunate news to share – as I mentioned at the last meeting the Wild West Forum that was scheduled to take place on July 21st and 22nd may need to be cancelled.

As of July 7th the decision has been made to cancel due to lack of participation from the other chapters. With the demands on everyone's professional and personal lives these days, this did not seem to be a priority for the other chapters. Thank you to those individuals that did help in the initial planning of ideas for the forum. Hopefully we will have an opportunity to host one in the future. Jill Gaffney – EWI Corporate President did make the suggestion at LCAM it might be a great idea to have each "forum" have a breakout to share ideas. I think this would be wonderful for the chapters to help save on expenses and time.

It's not too late to sign up to attend LCAM. At this time we have 9 members of the Wichita Chapter attending and would love to have you join us!



~ Community Corner ~

Is your firm doing something special that you want others to know about? Was your firm recently in the press and you want to shout it from the rooftops...or possibly a very informative newsletter? ☺

Send them our way for the Community Corner!!!!



Mallory Minor | Fundraising

I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe 4th of July!

We are looking for wine donations, this wine will be used for a fundraising opportunity at our Executive Night in August. Please feel free to contact me if you would like to make a donation (mminor@starlumber.com), every little bit helps!



Davna Gould | Treasurer

Bank Balances at of 6/30/2017
Commerce Operating \$19,212.59
Meritrust Savings \$24,212.20
BCDP Commerce \$3,016.64
BCDP TCK Trust \$56,972.53

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



Chapter Events



Thank you for supporting Colvin Elementary Staff, Students and Families during the 2016-2017 school year. Because of the generosity of community partners we were able to accomplish so much this year! Here is a list of just some of the things you have helped with:

Purchase & Installation of New Washer & Dryer

School Uniforms

New Shoes & Socks

Coats, Hats, Gloves & Scarves

Holiday Food Boxes

Christmas Gifts

Family Activities

Teacher Appreciation Gifts

School Lunch Assistance

Mentors & Volunteers for numerous school activities

As we look forward to the 2017-2018 school year, we face the uncertainty of school funding and diminishing programs to help our students and families. We hope we can count on you for continued support.

Have a Wonderful Summer!

Chapter Events



DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION



JUNETTA EVERETT,
DELTA DENTAL

EVENT DETAILS

DATE: JULY 19, 2017

TIME: 5:30PM RECEPTION

6:00PM DINNER & PROGRAM

HOST: HYATT - EAGLE BALLROOM

EWI of Wichita is pleased to offer our member firms and their guests the opportunity to learn more about Diversity & Inclusion. We are pleased to welcome Junetta Everett, Vice President for Professional Relations at Delta Dental, as our distinguished Speaker for this illuminating session.



As markets expand globally, being able to understand and reach out to the individual needs of people from other cultures and regions will be paramount. A multicultural, talented, and trained employee base gives companies and communities that key advantage. Now more than ever it is critical that employers/communities recognize that diversity has become a benchmark in how they are perceived. Please join us as we explore this impactful topic facing businesses today with industry expert Junetta Everett.

Chapter Events

EWI July Lunch Bunch

DATE: Thursday July 27, 2017

TIME: 11:30 AM

PLACE: The Monarch
579 W Douglas Ave.

RSVP to Theresa Hogan

mary.t.hogan@ampf.com

630-8118



Chapter Events



Join us at Wichita Country Club for
Executive & Scholarship Night
Wednesday, August 16, 2017

Time: 5:30 p.m. – Cocktails, Dinner and Program to follow

Location: 8501 E. 13th Street North

Please RSVP by: Monday, August 14, 2017

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Hosted by:





Happy Birthday to YOU!!!

July 15 ~ Bev Jones, Chapter Life Member
 July 16 ~ Marlane Morris, Chapter Life Member
 July 19 ~ Stacy Guinn, Wichita Business Journal
 July 21 ~ Debbie Hobbs, Koch Business Solutions
 July 22 ~ Pam Dinwiddie, Textron Aviation
 July 28 ~ Kelley DeCesaro, Star Lumber & Supply Co.



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We post the chapter meeting minutes on our EWI Wichita website at
<https://ewiwichita.org/>

ABOUT EWI

Established in 1938, EWI is a non-profit organization with more than 1,900 member firms and 2,200 representatives in major cities throughout the United States and Canada.

EWI brings members together to promote member firms, to enhance personal and professional development, and to encourage community involvement.

As a premier organization for networking and leadership development for today's business professionals, EWI offers professional development through its Academy of Leadership, scholarships, online learning, and philanthropic initiatives with a focus on literacy.

EWI also provides over 600 board positions to women on the corporate and chapter level annually. For more information, visit ewiconnect.com.



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Contact: Pam Dinwiddie
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Upcoming Chapter Meetings

Third Wednesday of
each month unless
otherwise noted

Wednesday, July 19
Diversity & Inclusion
Hyatt Regency Eagle
Ballroom,
400 W Waterman
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Wednesday, August 16
**Executive & Scholarship
Night**

Wichita Country Club,
8501 E 13th St North
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Chapter Board Meetings
Second Wednesday of
each month

~All members are welcome~

Contact Dawn Truman
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