

A Message From Your President



June is a wonderful month as it brings us Flag Day, Father's Day and the first day of summer. All three of these special days are reminders of the **power of connections**. Flag Day, a **connection to our country**, is celebrated June 14th and commemorates the adoption of our flag of the United States and the leadership and sacrifice that were given so we could celebrate and live with the privilege of freedom in our amazing country. Our flag connects the symbol of freedom with the United States to the entire world. What a powerful connector!

Father's Day, June 18th, is a special day to celebrate those men in our lives that help or have helped shape and mold the people we are presently. I lost my father my senior year of high school but the impact that he had on me changed me forever. He taught me that happiness comes in service and **connecting to your community** and that the highest mission you could have in life is the ability to help others become who they are meant to be. He also taught me as I serve others I will define who I become and therein lies my personal legacy. I am forever grateful for his example of leadership and the lesson of service and love.

As we celebrate the first day of summer, June 20th, we have the wonderful opportunity of connecting with our family and friends over picnics, lakeside activities, and outdoor adventures. Treasure those moments, they will form the bonds that **connect you to your future!**

Just as these June events elicit reminders of the power of connection to our past, present, and future – so does Executive Women International. EWI is founded on the basis of connections – connections with each other, with our careers, and with our community. **Connections, Career, and Community** are ever present in the offerings of EWI. The success of our chapter is a result of the commitment of our members and their representatives, both past, present, and future, that EWI is of great value to our firms and we will all continue to share our EWI story. (cont'd on page 3)



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Committee Updates



Teresa Arthur | Director-at-Large

Both scholarship recipients have been chosen for 2017. Emily Doffing, a recent graduate of Kapaun Mt. Carmel High School is our EWISP recipient, and LaRhonda Douglas is our ASIST recipient. LaRhonda attends Butler Community College, majoring in Accounting.

Both recipients will be honored at Executive Night in August.

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



Karen Smith | Communications Director

Have you ever participated in the monthly EWI webinars? This is one of the many services EWI provides as part of your firm's membership. This month's webinar, BURN BRIGHT, NOT OUT, was led by Carolyne Simi, Career Transformation Coach. If the summary

below peaks your interests, then go to EWI's Corporate website and view the recorded webinar.

Carolyne provided a workbook to use during the webinar which was helpful. Consider where you are in your career today. Are you happy? Are you ready for a change? Do you know what you want to do as a next step? Describe in one word how you feel about your job. Carolyne asked us to write a priority statement that began with "When my life is ideal, I am". That's not quite as easy as you would think. Ask yourself who am I, what do I want, what do I have to offer and what do I want to contribute. Answering these questions helps to write that priority statement. Then write 2 or 3 action steps you commit to take starting now. Connect with your talents and strengths – what lights me up? There is an alphabetical list of strengths in the Appendix of the workbook, choose 5 strengths (NOT WEAKNESSES), that truly represent who I am and write them down. Take action, don't wait, make that change today!



~ 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

Thank you to everyone who helped make our May fundraising event a success, together we can truly do great things! Between the meeting fees, silent auction, and the wine pull we raised approximately \$4,500 at our May Cinco De Mayo event.

These fundraising dollars help cover both our scholarships and assist with Reading Rally costs.

I hope everyone has a wonderful and safe summer!



Davna Gould | Treasurer

Bank Balances at of 5/31/2017
Commerce Operating \$19,914.79
Meritrust Savings \$24,211.21
BCDP Commerce \$2,841.64
BCDP TCK Trust \$55,579.24

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



Committee Updates



Jan Baggett | Programs

Thank you to the fundraising committee, sponsors, firms, representatives, executives and friends that participated in the May 10 Cinco de Mayo Trivia Fundraiser at the Marriott to benefit EWI's scholarship and Reading Rally Fund. What a great and fun way to raise funds for the things that are a part of our mission and important to our community. You all rock!

The June 21 EWI Meeting will be a Firm Night for Schaefer Johnson Cox Frey Architecture. Make sure to come help SJFC celebrate their 60th year in business. Plus, I bet they will remind us of all the many buildings that beautify our community that they have been a part of.

Plan to invite your executives and co-workers to attend the July 19 EWI Meeting at the Hyatt. Junetta Everett, Vice President for Professional Relations at Delta Dental of Kansas will be sharing with us the importance of diversity and inclusion in our places of business. 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. A January 2015 report from McKinsey & Company, *Diversity Matters*, showed that "Companies in the top quartile for racial and ethnic diversity are 35 percent more likely to have financial returns above their respective national industry medians." A diverse and inclusive workforce can bring the different perspectives that a company needs to power its innovation strategy. Come see what we can all do to work toward a more diverse and inclusive community.

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Upcoming Connection Opportunities:

Please join us, June 21st at **firm night** as Schaefer, Johnson, Cox, Frey Architecture shares their story and we hear more about their impact on our city and "Living Architecture"! We will hold a business meeting at the end of our June firm night. Please make sure you attend as we will need to establish a quorum to elect our Chapter's Delegates to the EWI Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting (LCAM) to be held in September in Dallas. The Nominating Committee will also announce the 2017 – 2018 slate of officers.



I am very excited to announce that we have several 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. This will be a wonderful time of growth, networking, and making deeper connections with our own members. It is still not too late to make your reservation. My personal experience has been that LCAM provides a chance to have those in depth conversations that form bonds of friendship for life. Don't miss an opportunity to change your life! I love the LCAM tagline this year.... *Nourishing for Growth!*

I am honored to serve as your Chapter president this year and I thank you for that privilege. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer!

Chapter Events

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presents

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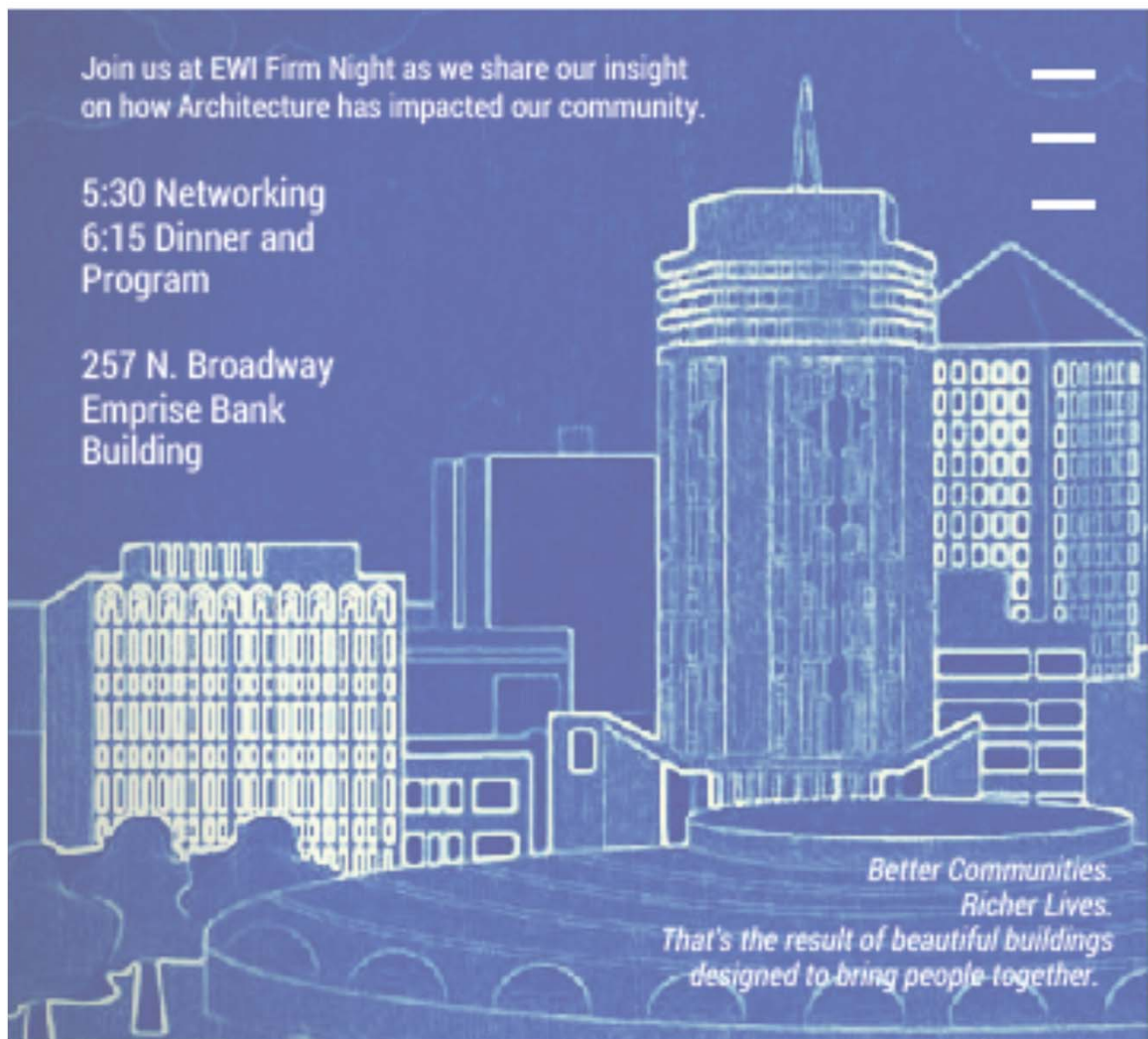
EWI FIRM NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

Join us at EWI Firm Night as we share our insight
on how Architecture has impacted our community.

5:30 Networking
6:15 Dinner and
Program

257 N. Broadway
Emprise Bank
Building



*Better Communities.
Richer Lives.
That's the result of beautiful buildings
designed to bring people together.*



a home with a heart

The Wichita Children's Home is always open for those who need us most – children who have endured physical, emotional and sexual abuse, neglect, homelessness and exploitation. To provide them with safe, secure and supportive shelter and care, WCH relies on donations from caring people like you. Every year, about 1,600 children come through our doors, often with only the clothes on their backs. We help thousands more through outreach programs. When you include us in your holiday giving, you are helping meet the needs of each child to ensure their safety and well-being. You are not just making the holidays brighter, you are changing lives.

(316) 684-6581

7271 E. 37th N.

Wichita, KS 67226

wch.org

Donated items may be brought to our lobby Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

THANK YOU
for helping
our children!

2017

Wish List

Entertainment

- ☐ Activity passes (bowling, skating, movies, museums, theater, sports events, etc.)
- ☐ MP3 players (no camera) w/ ear buds
- ☐ Arts and crafts supplies (paint sets, brushes, colored paper, card stock, canvas, watercolor and sketch paper, markers, colored pencils, pastels, yarn, craft kits)
- ☐ LEGO and other building sets
- ☐ RC cars
- ☐ Uno, Phase 10 other card games
- ☐ Science / educational kits
- ☐ Puzzles (preschool to 1000+)
- ☐ Xbox and Wii games (rated E)
- ☐ Current DVD movies (G, PG, PG-13)
- ☐ Bicycles for teens

Food and Beverages

- ☐ Individually packaged snack food (cheese and crackers, lunch buckets, nuts, granola bars, instant oatmeal, beef jerky, dipable peanut butter)
- ☐ Juice boxes (100% juice)
- ☐ Fruit cups
- ☐ Fast food gift cards (\$5 increments)
- ☐ QuikTrip gift cards (\$5 increments)
- ☐ Similac Advanced baby formula

Household

- ☐ Laundry detergent (He)
- ☐ Trash bags
- ☐ Dish towels
- ☐ Swiffer dusters, floor mops and refill packs
- ☐ School supplies (3-ring binders, notebook paper, printer paper, pens, mechanical pencils, etc.)
- ☐ Backpacks, sturdy (all ages)
- ☐ Sleeping bags (adult size)
- ☐ Journals

Infants and Toddlers

- ☐ Bath wash, lotion and 2-in-1 shampoo
- ☐ Diapers, wipes and pull ups (size 4 - 6)
- ☐ Diaper cream
- ☐ Socks and underwear
- ☐ Bottles, pacifiers and teething rings
- ☐ Sleepers and onesies
- ☐ Infant and toddler toys
- ☐ Clothing (including preemie)

Clothing

- ☐ Children's clothing (ages 4 - 12)
- ☐ Winter coats (child and adult)
- ☐ PJs and pajama pants (all sizes)
- ☐ Sweatpants and hoodies for teens
- ☐ Athletic shorts and pants (S - XXL)
- ☐ T-shirts (women's and men's)
- ☐ Athletic shoes (sneakers) for all sizes (child through men's 14)
- ☐ Women's cotton bikini underwear (size 5 - 9)
- ☐ Bras (especially pull-ons, all sizes)
- ☐ Boxers, color (S - XXL)
- ☐ Flipflops/shower shoes for teens
- ☐ Women's jeans (all sizes)
- ☐ Men's jeans (34 waist and up)
- ☐ Socks (black and white, athletic and anklets, women's and men's sizes)
- ☐ School- and work-appropriate shirts
- ☐ Job-interview and work pants for teens
- ☐ Hair accessories for girls and teens

Hygiene

- ☐ Toothpaste (travel and full size)
- ☐ Deodorant for men and women
- ☐ Tampons, hygiene pads
- ☐ Shampoo, conditioner, body wash
- ☐ Lice treatment
- ☐ Hairbrushes and combs (incl. ethnic)
- ☐ Hair grease /gel in small containers
- ☐ Hair spray (pump/non-aerosol)
- ☐ Disposable razors and shaving cream
- ☐ Travel-size hygiene items
- ☐ Lip balm and nail care items

EWI DINNER GROUP



Date: Tuesday June 27, 2017

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: Il Vicino Wood Oven Pizza
College Hill
4817 E Douglas
Wichita KS 67218



RSVP to Theresa Hogan
<mailto:mary.t.hogan@ampf.com>

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.



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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No June Birthdays



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<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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Submission deadline:
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Upcoming Chapter Meetings

Third Wednesday of
each month unless
otherwise noted

Wednesday, June 21
Firm Night

Emprise Bank Building,
257 N Broadway
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Wednesday, July 19
Diversity & Inclusion

Hyatt Regency Eagle
Ballroom,
400 W Waterman
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Chapter Board Meetings

Second Wednesday of
each month

~All members are welcome~

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