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# A Message From Your President

### Pam Dinwiddie | President

While trying to compose my president's article, I'm struggling a bit to come up with some positives during this pandemic we are facing. COVID19 has unfortunately found several of us on furlough - some for weeks while others for months.

After reflecting on our current situation, I realized there are so many positives! We as neighbors are working together to help take care of each other by picking up groceries, mowing the lawn and checking on each other. This pandemic has brought the family unit back together by having dinner at the kitchen table.

Our families are playing games, going outside and using sidewalk chalk to bring cheer. While some of us who are a one-person household are struggling with not having the human contact, we are thankful for technology such as FaceTime, Skype and Zoom to interact with others, to watch church services, participate in meetings and bible study and to laugh with our children and grandchildren.

Our EWI Corporate office sent out an email to all representatives regarding COVID19 and LCAM (Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting) letting us know that they are here for us during this difficult time. LCAM planning is still going strong but they will monitor changes and decide when we get closer to September 16 whether they will cancel or not. Our corporate board has also decided to allow representatives who have been furloughed or terminated to defer renewal payments up to 120 days. If this pertains to you, please let me along with Teresa Arthur know so that we can alert the corporate office.

I know that everyone was sad we had to cancel most of our March firesides and that the decision was made to cancel our April firm night at the Wichita Marriott. Fair warning that when we get to the other side of this that I will be a hugging fool!

All my best, Pam

### 2019-2020 Officers & Directors

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Pam Dinwiddie Textron Aviation

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# **Committee Updates**





Jan Baggett & Theresa Hogan | Membership

Greetings to all of our EWI family. We just wanted to let each of you know that we are thinking about you and hoping that you are getting through this time safe and healthy. Please let any one of us know if you need anything personally or professionally, just want to talk, or want to do a facetime if you are tired of looking at your surroundings. We are all in different circumstances and now is a great time to lift each other up. Call someone. Email someone. Pray for someone.

Membership Co-Chairs Jan Baggett - Cell: 807-3934 Theresa Hogan - Cell: 209-9587





Annie Murach & Jordyn Ortega | Programs

We are working on making plans for the May EWI meeting if Sedgwick County's restrictions have been lifted by that time. Please keep the date saved on your calendar in case we are able to meet!



Teresa Arthur | Treasurer
The Financial Position of EWI
Wichita as of 3/31/2020 is:

#### **Chapter Operating Account:**

2/28/20 Opening Balance: \$19,991.45 3/31/20 Reconciled Bank Balance: \$20,991.75

### **Chapter BCDP Account:**

2/28/20 Opening Balance \$2,963.48 3/31/20 Reconciled Bank Balance \$3,223.28

### **MeriTrust Savings Account:**

2/29/20 Balance \$24,244.57 3/31/20 Balance \$24,245.60

# <u>Ameriprise Endowment Account (Stoutheart</u> Financial):

3/1/20 Balance \$63,788.93 3/31/20 Balance \$57,782.24

Please note that all <u>Membership Dues</u> are now being paid through EWI Corporate, and invoices for 2020 Dues have been sent out via email from Corporate ("Executive Women International") with instructions. Please reach out to Teresa at 261.4730 if you did not receive your invoice.

Please update your accounting records to reflect Teresa as the new EWI Wichita Treasurer when paying your <u>Monthly Meeting Fees</u>. Teresa's mailing address is:

Attn: Teresa Arthur – Commerce Bank c/o EWI of Wichita P.O. Box 637 Wichita, KS 67201-0637



### **LCAM Update**



Albuquerque, New Mexico September 16-19, 2020 The LCAM Committee train is continuing its journey... LCAM 2020 in Albuquerque, NM (Sheraton Albuquerque Uptown) arriving September 16-19, 2020! Don't forget to open your calendars and SAVE THE DATE for LCAM 2020 in Albuquerque, New Mexico!

Registration has opened and early bird rates are available until June 19, 2020. A registration link was sent out via email.

Our LCAM 2020 schedule is nearly complete. You may visit the conference website for up-to-date specifics as they are confirmed. (<a href="https://ewiconnect.com/professional-development/events-conferences/">https://ewiconnect.com/professional-development/events-conferences/</a>)



# **LCAM Community Service Project**

This year's 2020 LCAM local non-profit recipient is Disabled American Veterans, New Mexico Chapter. The agency has expressed that their female veterans are underserved and EWI will be helping put together care packages for them with items such as: shampoo, hairbrush, nail file, chap stick, maxi pads, deodorant, toothbrush, etc.

### **Keynote Speaker**

Ramunda Lark Young is a Connection Strategist, SocialPreneur, community advocate and passionate leader.





### **LCAM Reading Rally**

The Annual Reading Rally will take place on September 16 at 8:30 am at Hodgin Elementary School. The committee will provide an Amazon Wish List to chapters with a goal to have a book for each child.





# **April Birthdays**

April 6 ... Ashley Schopf April 13 ... Allison Walden April 21 ... Fonda Ellis April 22 ... Kristina Helm

# **Good News**

Have good news (personal or professional) to share? Send it to De Nelson, Tammy Voth or Allison Walden to be featured in next month's Connect.



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

#### **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.



# **Corporate Connections**

# **Board of Directors**

Our board members lead and guide our organization and represent Chapters from across the country. Below is our 2019-2020 Board.



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### EWI of Wichita Social Media:



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Share events, photos, accomplishments and more with EWI Wichita Membership in one convenient location! Email social media submissions to De Nelson and Tammy Voth at the emails listed below.

De Nelson: <u>Dnelson@Wichita.gov</u> Tammy Voth: <u>Tvoth@txtav.com</u>

Share your news & photos in the monthly *Connect* 

Contact: Allison Walden waldena@dlwichita.com

Deadline for May Issue: May 5, 2020

### **Upcoming Chapter Meetings**

Third Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted

May 20, 2020

Chapter Meeting
\*Save the date, just in case!\*

June 17, 2020 Chapter Meeting

July 15, 2020 Chapter Meeting

# **Chapter Board Meetings**

Second Tuesday of each month

All members are welcome

Contact Pam Dinwiddie pdinwiddie@txtav.com