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September 2020



A Message From Your President

Pam Dinwiddie | President

Happy September! I'm so ready for fall as it's my favorite season.

Congratulations to incoming president Kristina and Clint Helm on the birth of their baby girl, Presleigh Grae, born on Monday, August 31! So very happy for the entire family!!!

We had our August chapter meeting with an EWI Bootcamp led by Jan Baggett and Theresa Hogan. It was very informative, and I hope everyone enjoyed it.

This month our chapter meeting will be on September 9 via Zoom with guest speaker Liz Workman, CEO of Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland. There will be a \$20 meeting fee. I've sent out an email meeting invite but you will also need to RSVP via the Squad Up link. https://www.squadup.com/events/ewi-of-wichita-september-chapter-meeting

EWI Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting (LCAM) will be virtually held on Friday, September 18 and Saturday, September 19. We have arranged for a socially distanced watch party at the Wichita Marriott both days. I do hope you'll find time to attend all or part of LCAM especially since it's FREE this year!

All my best, Pam

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Committee Updates



Teresa Arthur | Treasurer
The Financial Position of EWI
Wichita as of 8/31/2020 is:

Chapter Operating Account:

8/1/20 Opening Balance: \$21,002.16 8/31/20 Reconciled Balance: \$17,872.16

Chapter BCDP Account:

8/1/20 Opening Balance \$3,223.28 8/31/20 Reconciled Balance \$3,223.28

MeriTrust Savings Account:

8/1/20 Opening Balance \$24,249.64 8/31/20 Reconciled Balance \$24,250.67

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

8/1/20 Opening Balance \$68,027.84 8/31/20 Reconciled Balance \$69,914.33 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</u> <u>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

August Zoom Business Meeting





A Note from the Executive Women International Nominating Chair...



I am so pleased to report our Slate of Officers for 2020-2021 is almost complete! I am grateful that we have so many within the membership that are excited to volunteer this coming year! At the same time, I am appreciative to those that have served on the board in the past. Without our volunteers the organization would not be what it is today. It's the best networking organization in town. Kristina Helm with Western Associates will serve as President in the coming year. If you have spent any time with her, then you know she will be a great leader!

The office of Vice President has yet to be filled. It is a commitment to serve as Vice President and then the next year, to serve as President followed by Advisor to the Board.

The first year as Vice President, you learn how to run a board meeting and learn more about the Wichita Chapter of EWI as a whole. You take the time to focus on what is important to you and what you want your focus to be through Programs and Professional Development meetings. As Advisor, you attend the board meetings and help clarify when there is a question on procedure. The other board members are also available to back you up in any of those positions.

Have you heard the quote "I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands- You need to be able to throw something back."? It is one of my favorites! Maya Angelou said it. I live by this quote.

With our small chapter, everyone has to take a turn, in order for the organization to grow and thrive. It is the job of each of us to aid our membership co-directors by making it easy to sell EWI. We want to make the organization appealing to the new members coming in to ensure they stay involved. We want to increase attendance at our fabulous fundraisers to raise the most money for our scholarship BCDP fund. It's in our best interest to provide the most value to our Executives for support of their Firm's membership by allowing Representatives to stay involved! It's just like any other thing....you get out of it what you put into it. I learned so much during the years I served as Vice President/President and I thought I knew a lot about EWI already. I grew professionally and personally!

Please contact me directly at 316-734-1188, if you have questions on the position. I am happy to send you an outline of duties/expectations or answer any questions. Please note, my new cell phone number! My direct line at the Wichita Marriott is 316-462-3164.

Jessica Emrick Davies 2020-2021 Nominating Committee Chair



Upcoming Chapter Meeting





September's Chapter Meeting

Guest Speaker: Liz Workman, CEO of Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland Wednesday, September 9 | 5:30pm | Via Zoom Details to log into meeting are in the calendar invite.

Liz will provide some background information about Girl Scouts, their programs and impact on the girls they serve across Kansas.

She will also spend some time talking about how they have pivoted their programming due to the pandemic.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Member Spotlight – Ashley Kracke





Replacement Representative:

ASHLEY KRACKE

My name is Ashley Kracke and I am the Human Resource Assistant at Professional Engineering Consultants. I am currently working on my Bachelor's in Human Resource Management online through Fort Hays and I hope to graduate this upcoming summer. I am excited to be joining EWI and cannot wait to collaborate with everyone! At Andover High School I once served as Treasurer and President of our theatre troupe and went on to be one of four on the board for Butler Community College's theatre organization Delta Psi Omega. I have always enjoyed learning and growing through organizations and look forward to doing this with EWI and promote my company PEC at the same time.





September Birthdays

September 5 ... Ann Brady September 16 ... De Nelson



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.



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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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: Tvoth@txtav.com

Share your news & photos in the monthly *Connect*

Contact: Jessica Emrick jessica.emrick@wichitamarriott.com

Deadline for October Issue: October 6, 2020

Upcoming Chapter Meetings

Third Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted

September 9, 2020 5:30 – 7:30 pm ZOOM Chapter Meeting Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8 1535234271?pwd=T0pndVRN UXY2RU1VNnpTWllucGNtZz0

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October 7, 2020
5:30 – 7:30 pm
Executive & Scholarship Night
Textron Aviation

Chapter Board Meetings

Second Tuesday of each month

All members are welcome.

Contact Pam Dinwiddie

pdinwiddie@txtav.com