



## ***A Message From Your President***

### **Jessica Emrick Davies | President**

I want to thank everyone who attended the 49th Annual Executive & Scholarship Night hosted at the Wichita Marriott. It was a celebration of our accomplishments over the past year. We had the honor of awarding and celebrating our three 2019 scholarship winners. We are very proud of these ladies and we look forward to sharing their accomplishments with our membership. In addition, I appreciate those that brought items for our Not for Profit focus this quarter, HealthCore Clinic Inc. They were very excited to take home bundles of school supplies to support their school backpack initiative.

Pam Dinwiddie with Textron Aviation will be installed as the next President at September's meeting at Ya Ya's on September 11th. She has worked with the nominating committee to build a great board of directors and I am so excited for the coming year! I hope to see you at the Installation of Officers in September. The leadership conference is the following week in Milwaukee, which is why we are meeting on the second Wednesday in September.

Leslie Brothers is the Director of the Ulrich Museum of Art at Wichita State University. Join us on October 16th for the monthly meeting as we hear more about her vision for the future and her many accomplishments in the past year as the new Director. Click on this link to see the Fall exhibits that we will enjoy during our social followed by the presentation. <https://www.wichita.edu/museums/ulrich/index.php>  
Visit Leslie's TEDx talk "Mattering is Key to Innovation in the University Art Museum at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bAzd8fn8ABc>

This year of Presidential service has gone by so fast! I have learned so much and have had the most fun with my EWI Sisters. This year together we have made a difference in so many lives in our community. Sometimes you need to step outside of your comfort zone to reap the rewards. When nominated for Presidency, I hesitated and thought, "Am I ready?", but if it excites you and scares you at the same time, you should probably do it! Get involved in EWI if you aren't. You won't be sorry! Serve as a chair, to learn more about our fantastic organization! We want to get to know you better! I can't stress this enough, you get out of it what you put into it! I am so very thankful that I have the support of my Executive, Kate Rose and my General Manager, Michelle Stein. They allow me and encourage me to be a member of EWI. Lastly, I want to thank you for your support, not only to me, but to our members and member firms!

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## Scholarship Update



**Julia Gronewold was a recipient of EWI of Wichita's EWISP Scholarship Award in 2018. She was a very impressive young lady so many of you will remember her. Julia's mother sent us the below email to update us on Julia's accomplishments.**

*Julia received some good news this summer that I thought you and the other members of EWI would enjoy hearing about. She got a nice nod that she is on the right track in her Industrial Design endeavors. First she was chosen by KU Miller Hall alumnae to receive their housing scholarship, based on leadership in her hall and personal achievement. Next Julia got word that she received the George & Harriet Seymour Memorial Scholarship from KU's Department of Architecture & Design. It is given to a Design student majoring in Industrial Design who has exhibited exceptional merit.*

*I'm a proud mom!  
Michelle Gronewold*



**COLLEEN BURKE MYERS**  
**Replacement Rep**

***Colleen Burke Myers is the Director of Engineering and Security for the Hyatt Regency Wichita, responsible for facility maintenance and the protection of the organization. A graduate of Kansas State University, she earned a Bachelor's of Science in Hotel and Restaurant Management in 1993. Following a summer internship with Walt Disney World, Colleen was recruited by the Hyatt Regency Crown Center in Kansas City, Missouri until transferring to Scottsdale, Arizona's Hyatt Regency Gainey Ranch. A 2015 promotion led Colleen back to the Midwest to join Hyatt's Wichita team. Through Hyatt, Colleen has served as Green (initiative) Team Chairwoman, Safety Chairwoman, and volunteered for numerous Thrive philanthropic opportunities. She counts family time, reading, musical theater, and dabbling in interior design among her many interests. Welcome Colleen!!***



**TERESA BURK**  
**Replacement Rep**



*"... I love a good road trip, especially if it takes me to the back country for a good LONG hike and several days of camping under the trees and stars, listening to babbling streams and sounds of wildlife in the night. Everyone should do that at least a hundred times in their life!"*

*Teresa Burk completed her Bachelor of Architecture at Oklahoma State University and Master of Science in Environmental Studies at Friends University. She is a registered Architect in the state of Kansas with LEED AP BD+C, joining SJCF Architecture in 2006. Architectural projects Teresa has been a part of in the Wichita region include the currently in progress Sedgwick County Adult Detention Facility administrative expansion, recently completed expansion to East Branch YMCA, Skyward Credit Union Greenwich Branch, National Center for Aviation Training, several USD 259 facilities, and many others. In addition to architectural design and construction administration, Teresa was instrumental in creating the USGBC Central Plains Community Wichita Branch, was the Branch Charter Chairperson, has been on the Wichita Branch Steering Committee in various roles since its 2010 inception, and is currently a Central Plains Community Board Member. Before becoming an Architect, Teresa worked in Ponca City, Oklahoma, at Conoco Oil Company performing construction manhour estimates for refinery projects across the nation, also served a stint as Project Manager for Habitat for Humanity, has been a hot-shot steel delivery driver in a three-state area, picking up small custom architectural and tool pattern design jobs on the side, all while managing the family cattle herd before moving to Wichita to complete her Master of Science in Environmental Studies at Friends University and a full-time position with SJCF Architecture.*

*Having grown up on a cattle ranch in Oklahoma and raising her own family there, environmental sustainability has always been a major part of Teresa's life. While on the ranch, she is the self-proclaimed "resident veterinarian" to all animals as well as fence-builder, hay-maker, and anything else that needs tending. Her dream is to finally retire back to the ranch someday to tend a herd of grandchildren and take them on all kinds of back country adventures.*



## Chapter Events

### **Executives Night- Scholarship Winners**

Congratulations to 2019 EWISP and ASIST Scholarship Winners that were honored at Executive Night. Each recipient received \$2,000. Two ASIST recipients: Tiffany Sheppard is attending WSU Tech for a nursing degree to receive her LPN; Irma Finch is attending Butler Community College for a Business Administration degree. Our EWISP recipient was: Ismari Martinez graduated from Wichita North High School and will be attending Kansas University (KU) for a degree in Biology.



**2019-2020****INSTALLATION  
OF OFFICERS****Wednesday, September 11th, 2019****5:30 pm Social****6:00 pm Dinner & Installation of Chapter Officers and  
Directors****Ya Ya's Eurobistro  
8115 E. 21st Street North****Pam Dinwiddie  
Textron Aviation  
Incoming President**

## Chapter Events



**EWI of Wichita**  
**Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**

Ulrich Museum of Art

Wichita State University, 1845 N. Fairmount

5:30pm-7:30pm - Beer, Wine & Hors d'oeuvres Reception

Leslie Brothers, Director



**Leslie Brothers** is the **Director of the Ulrich Museum of Art** where she has launched a new vision for the institution "the future now at the Ulrich." Programing includes, a series of exhibitions entitled *Solving for X*, visualizations of campus research and "FUN" pecha kucha style presentations of scholarship across campus. Her focus is on connecting the Ulrich more directly to academic programs and research across campus in ways that invite and include community.

She was formerly the Director for 17 years of the McDonough Museum of Art, Youngstown State University's Center for Contemporary Art in Youngstown Ohio. Leslie also served as an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Art teaching courses in contemporary art, theory, and in the potential for artists to affect change in society. She received her master's degree in Art History and Contemporary Criticism from Virginia Commonwealth University graduating with honors. She has a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee where she majored in Art History and French. In addition, she received an honors degree in Women's Studies. Leslie is a museum professional who has worked in large municipal museums such as, the Brooklyn Museum, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and the Milwaukee Art Museum, as well as University Museums and Galleries.

For Leslie collaboration is part of the creative process. Her area of expertise is Contemporary Art and Culture and her research is based in rethinking the University Art Museum as a research center for understanding consciousness and human experience through the arts. Over the past 30 years she has published exhibition catalogues, articles and reviews; she has organized over 60 exhibitions and created community-based programs that address the value of diversity, inclusion, equity and social justice, essential to maintaining relevance in the arts.

In 2014 she participated in TEDxYoungstown. Her talk can be found on YouTube, "Mattering is Key to Innovation in the University Art Museum." In 2017 she co-authored an NEA Our Town Grant funded at \$200,000 to commission 5 placemaking projects for the city of Youngstown.

**She will speak on opportunities for things to happen at the museum that haven't really happened before and will demonstrate how a museum could matter at a university that has established innovation as their mode of operation. There are some exciting changes coming to the Ulrich Museum! Join us as we hear more about her vision for the future and accomplishments in the past year as the new Director.**

## **2019 Reading Rally**

***SAVE THE DATE!!*** The afternoon of Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, is the designated date for the EWI Annual 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading Rally at Colvin Elementary. Dr. Carol Ysidro, a local (Derby) Dentist by day and a children's author in her spare time, has graciously accepted our offer to be the Featured Author for this year's event. The committee has been contacting member firms requesting donations of food and/or items for the event, so we appreciate everyone's generosity! We will also be looking for representatives to help us with any of the following activities:

- Food Service – Help set up, serve and clean up
- Student t-shirt distribution
- Set up writing books, crayons, pencils for the student activity
- Help students write a story
- Distribute school supplies
- Clean up after Reading Rally

Further details will be provided as we get closer to the date, but everyone is welcome to join us! Please contact Tammy Voth (316.517.7097 or [tvoth@txtav.com](mailto:tvoth@txtav.com)) if you are interested in volunteering at this event or for more information.





### Walmart Grant Award

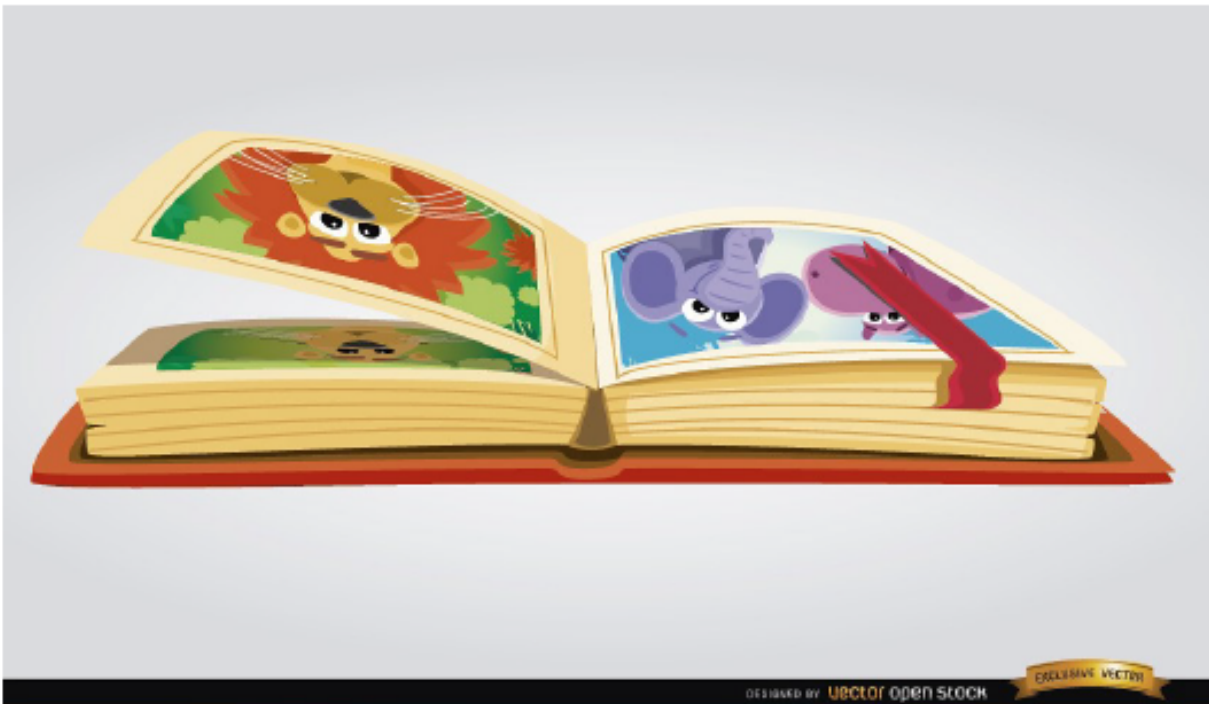
EWI of Wichita was honored with a \$2000 grant award from Walmart Wichita – E. Pawnee Street. The funds will go towards our Colvin Elementary 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading Rally that will be held on October 24, 2019!





# 2019 Reading Rally-LCAM

- Wednesday, September 18, 2019
- Will include Leadership Caucus attendees and anyone who would like to come.
- Planning to visit Next Door in Milwaukee - <https://www.nextdoormke.org/about-us/>
- Will hold a chapter-wide book drive.
- Children are 2 months – 5 years old
- Needs: Multi-cultural books – Level 1 – picture books and board books.  
**\*\*See wish list flyer for amazon link on next page.\*\***
- Wish List: Backpacks for smaller children, toothbrushes and small tubes of toothpaste for their home-based advocates to distribute. Library rugs with number or letters on them – prefer 9' oval.
- Community Library on 29th Street is free to the community and any books for readers higher than level 1 are donated to this library. Every Thursday family members can come to the library and get books for free.
- Planning a local author to read to the children and local mascot to distribute bookmarks.
- Planning an activity for the children to do.
- We will have a large banner for all to sign.



This year's LCAM Reading Rally is in Milwaukee and will be hosted on September 18th and books are needed. The event will benefit Next Door and their literacy programs. All Leadership Caucus attendees will attend the LCAM Reading Rally that morning.

If you are interested in donating a book, I am happy to take it.

They have provided an Amazon link to use.

Multi-cultural books – Level 1 – picture books and board books.

Wish list link:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1NZTM6Q6SG23D?  
ref =wl share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1NZTM6Q6SG23D?ref=wl_share)





**Happy Birthday to YOU!!!**

**September 5 ~ Ann Brady, Chapter Life Member**

**September 16 ~ De Nelson, City of Wichita**



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](http://ewiconnect.com).



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## Upcoming Chapter Meetings

Third Wednesday of each month  
unless otherwise noted

**September 11, 2019**

**5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Annual Meeting &  
Installation of Officers**

Ya Ya's Euro Bistro

**October 16, 2019**

**5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Chapter Meeting**

WSU Ulrich Museum

## Chapter Board Meetings

Second Wednesday of  
each month

~All members are welcome~

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