

## *A Message From Your President*

### **Pam Dinwiddie | President**

Welcome to December ladies!



How much fun did we have at last month's chapter meeting at The First Place! Helen Galloway and her staff were gracious hosts and it was so interesting to hear of her involvement with the women in our Wichita community. If you haven't had a chance to stop by her shop you really need to!

By now your committee director should have had at least one meeting with you or at least have something on your calendar now that we are past Thanksgiving. I encourage each of you to be involved with your committee assignment

so that we can really grow, network and celebrate each other and our community.

December's chapter meeting was early this month. We met at the Wichita Marriott on December 4 at 5:30pm. I can't thank everyone enough for dropping off the food, helping to organize and box as it was a fun and successful night. A special thanks to Kristina Helm, her team, the Wichita Fire Department, Jessica Emrick Davies and the Wichita Marriott as we couldn't have done it without them! We completed 45 full boxes and 21 partial boxes for the school so that they will have something in their cupboards during the Christmas break. On December 5 at 9:30am myself, Kristina Helm, Lori Armstrong, Annie Life and Colleen Burke Myers along with three Wichita Firefighters met at Colvin Elementary to present the food boxes to Principal Springer. There's nothing better than to give back to our community.

You don't want to miss our January chapter meeting on the 15th as we will celebrate our 50-year anniversary as an EWI chapter! How exciting is that!! Jordyn Ortega, Annie Murach and their program committee is hard at work. More information will be sent out later this month.

I know I've said this numerous times, but I enjoy being with each and every one of you and I feel very blessed to know that I have made lifelong friends!

I wish you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

All my best, Pam

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## Committee Updates



**Annie Murach &  
Jordyn Ortega  
Programs  
Directors**

The Program Committee met on November 13 and discussed dates, topics and locations for the coming year. There was excellent discussion and suggestions and with one or possibly two more meetings we should have the schedule set.

A list of locations and program ideas was developed and will be refined as the meetings come together.

For the January meeting we are putting together a separate small committee to brainstorm ideas and plan this event.

We have also received great suggestions for speakers and locations from existing EWI members. If your firm would want to host a meeting, or if you have event ideas, we would love to hear them!



**De Nelson &  
Tammy Voth  
Communications  
Directors**

Do you have good news? We'd love to share your good news – both personal and professional – in the next Connect. Send information to De, Tammy, or Allison.



**Teresa Arthur | Treasurer**

The Financial Position of EWI Wichita as of 11/30/19 is:

**Chapter Operating Account:**

10/31/19 Opening Balance: \$17,470.26

11/30/19 Reconciled Bank Balance: \$15,708.25

**Chapter BCDP Account:**

10/31/19 Opening Balance \$4,783.19

11/30/19 Reconciled Bank Balance \$3,586.03

**MeriTrust Savings Account:**

11/30/19 Balance \$24,241.55

**Amerprise Endowment Account (Stoutheart Financial):**

11/1/19 Balance \$63,785.10

11/30/19 Balance \$64,818.66

Please note that all ***Membership Dues*** 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 ***Monthly Meeting Fees***. Teresa's mailing address is:

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

## November Meeting Recap



*Jan Baggett welcomes new members at the November Meeting!*

(Left) Welcome Annie Life with Wichita Baseball 2020!

(Center) Welcome Tami Portela with Spirit Aerosystems!

(Right) Welcome Lori Armstrong with Derby Plaza Theaters!



*Moments at The First Place!*

(Left) Teresa Arthur and Jordyn Ortega enjoy shopping at The First Place.

(Center) Susan Cohrs and guest listen to Helen Galloway speak to the group!

(Right) Pam Dinwiddie and Helen Galloway, owner of The First Place!



## December Meeting Recap



Thank you to everyone for their donations and help in assembling and delivering boxes of food for the children at Colvin Elementary School!



**Chapter Events – January Chapter Meeting**

# 50<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary

Please join us in Celebrating the Golden Anniversary for  
**The Wichita EWS Chapter**

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Location: TBD

5:30 – 7:30pm

*Please invite your executive and/or a guest.*

*Event details are still being planned but we will have a*

*Kendra Scott Pop-Up shop!*

## **EWI – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Non-Profit - Wild Encounters at Sedgwick County Zoo**

### **TIME IS RUNNING OUT!**

As one of the most-visited attractions in Kansas, the Zoo recognizes the importance of delivering a great guest experience. Wild Encounters are a unique experience! Select one of these encounters and support the Zoo this fall as your EWI 2019 non-profit promotion.

#### **Scheduling:**

Order through the Zoo's website only: [www.scz.org](http://www.scz.org)

Under Tickets, use Promo code: EWIZOO

(Offers good for purchase through 12/31/2019, for a scheduled event now through December 31, 2019; event schedule available on the website.)



#### **Penguin Encounter**

Experience the Cessna Penguin Cove from the inside!

At this special price: **\$30 per person**

Go behind the scenes with a penguin keeper to learn what it takes to care for our Humboldt Penguins and what SCZ is doing to help them in the wild. Then, make your way out into the penguin habitat for a wild encounter you'll never forget!



#### **Aldabra Tortoise Encounter**

Get friendly with one of the largest tortoises in the world!

At this special price: **\$30 per person**

Follow a keeper into the habitat of the giant Aldabra tortoise. Get to know the tortoises at SCZ while feeding them a snack and learning what it takes to care for them at the Zoo and in the wild.



### December Birthdays

**No December Birthdays! If your birthday is in December, and we missed it, please email De Nelson or Tammy Voth and they will get it added to the EWI Calendar.**

### 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 <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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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: [Dnelson@Wichita.gov](mailto:Dnelson@Wichita.gov)

Tammy Voth: [Tvoth@txtav.com](mailto:Tvoth@txtav.com)

Share your news & photos in the monthly *Connect*

Contact: Allison Walden  
[waldena@dlwichita.com](mailto:waldena@dlwichita.com)

Deadline for January Issue:  
January 7, 2020

**Upcoming Chapter Meetings**

Third Wednesday of each month  
unless otherwise noted

**January 15, 2020**

**5:30 – 7:30**

**Chapter Meeting**

**\*50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event\***

**February 19, 2020**

**Lunch Meeting**

**March 2020**

**Fireside Meetings**

**Chapter Board Meetings**

Second Wednesday of  
each month

All members are welcome

Contact Pam Dinwiddie

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