

Tulsa EWI Connect

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MARCH 2024

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

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The most iconic proverb about the month of March is “In like a lion, out like a lamb”.

When March starts it is still winter, and by the end of the month, spring has begun. I am beginning to see the buds on my empty trees, the peeks of green coming up from the flower beds, the stretch of glorious daylight hours in the evening, and the OU softball season has started. It is the hope of spring!

I have always said that January and February were my “dark” months, lacking motivation in most areas of my life. What do they say on social media, “vulnerable post”? Here is my “vulnerable post”, I just want to go home every night, hunker down, put on my PJs, and sit by the fire. I believe I deal with a touch of SAD (Seasonal Affective Disorder). Having the opportunity to travel to a tropical location with my sister in February was truly a game changer. Although I hated to miss our monthly Chapter meeting, the sun, surf, and salty breeze were a true boost to my spirit, mind, and body. I did yoga/stretching and water aerobics almost every day, I don’t even walk around the block at home this time of year! The whole week energized me, it renewed me. I certainly believe this will be a spark for my leadership of the EWI of Tulsa Board of Directors and our Chapter.

I am grateful to everyone who stepped up for the February Monthly Chapter Meeting in my absence. I know those who participated in the Galentine’s exchange had a wonderful time. I have heard many comments expressing hope that we will continue to have that event moving forward. It was a great networking experience for all. I have also heard that everyone wearing red for Heart Month was beautiful. Our speaker, Dr. Emily Mortimer of Tulsa Regional Stem Alliance, spoke to the importance of STEM in our community. She highlighted that there are now more opportunities for women entering the STEM field. Additionally, Dr. Mortimer suggested ways for individuals to volunteer. We strive to fulfill one of our EWI “3 C’s” (Connections, Careers, Community) at each of our Chapter meetings. In February we hit two of the “C’s” with both Connection through our Galantines event and Community with our informative speaker.

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March is an exciting month for the Tulsa Chapter!

- We celebrate our 68th Chapter Anniversary! Look for a “Walk Down Memory Lane” in this edition of the Connect.
- We are hosting our March to Membership campaign to help get the word out about our exceptional organization. Have you thought of anyone to propose for membership?
- The Executive Breakfast is on March 5th at 7:30 am. Be sure your Executives have RSVP'd to Susan Miller (slmiller@wpbctulsa.com).
- Our monthly meeting on March 14 will be a Tulsa Oilers Firm Night at the newly opened WeStreet Ice Center.
- The deadline for both EWISP and ASIST scholarship applications is March 25th.

If you are not excited about EWI of Tulsa, let's have lunch! There is so much happening, a place for each one of you to engage and find your “*For Such A Time As This!*”

Very Truly in EWI Service,

Jody

Tulsa Chapter President 2023-2024

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MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING



MARCH CHAPTER MEETING

Tulsa Oilers Member Firm Night!

Please join us for a member firm night hosted by Amy Henderson and the Tulsa Oilers at the new WeStreet Ice Center! Amy will present about the teams' side of the business and will offer tours of the new facility at the closure

Theme: Wear GREEN for St. Patrick's Day!

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM Social | 6:00 PM Meeting

Location: WeStreet Ice Center – 4143 S Yale

Parking: Parking on south side of building by the front entrance and the parking garage on the east side of the building. (The old Macy's building at Promenade Mall.)

Cost: \$45 Members & Guests | \$30 Sustaining

Please **click here** to connect to the RSVP form.

- RSVP by Tuesday, March 5 so that we may provide the appropriate seating arrangements and dinner servings.
- Please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions.
- No RSVPs and no-shows to meetings will be invoiced! Business Meeting fees are mandatory for all members. While you will be invoiced regardless of attendance, please take the time to RSVP.

Special Door Prizes this meeting will all be provided by the hosting Member Firm, Tulsa Oilers.
Thank you Amy!

FEBRUARY CHAPTER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Brianna Root, Tulsa Drillers



Susan Miller, Warren Professional Building Corp. & Speaker, Dr. Emily Mortimer, Tulsa Regional STEM Alliance



Stefanie Phariss, 1907 Productions; Aubry Oehlberg, Firststar Bank; & Shari Holdman, Susan G. Komen



Felicia Senter, Tulsa Tech

FEBRUARY CHAPTER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Sara Shaklee, Trust Company of Oklahoma



Marnie Knight, Admiral Express Office Supply; Eva Blair, T.C. Blair & Associates; & Colleen Farris



Sarah Alfred, Hummingbird. Tech & Connie Saunders, Burnett Home Improvement



Kim Bowman, T.D. Williamson & Arquicia Franklin

FEBRUARY CHAPTER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Sara Shaklee, Trust Company of Oklahoma & Debbie Stumps, Purview Life



Felicia Senter, Tulsa Tech & Tinesa Siebert, The University of Oklahoma Foundation

THANK YOU!

Tinesa Siebert, representing The University of Oklahoma Foundation, the Programs Director, and the Programs Committee did a wonderful job planning the evening. From the Galentine's networking event to the theme of wearing red, the venue, the food, and the speaker, you all nailed it. Thank you for all your hard work as it pays off in the great monthly meetings you all plan.

Jessica Vagin, representing The Stonehaven, SAA, and the Hospitality Committee welcomes everyone and helps to keep our attendance records updated. We appreciate all the lovely ladies who greet our members and guests as it ensures that all feel welcome.

Marnie Choisnard, representing The Health Zone and serving as our Door Prize Function Leader. Everyone is grateful for the wonderful door prizes, if you are able to donate please contact Marnie.

Thank you to those who donated door prizes! The Chapter is truly grateful to you and your continued support.



FEBRUARY MEETING FEEDBACK

THE MEAL

- Love the variety this year!
- So thankful to have a vegetarian option!
- Amazing!! Loved Jinya. Tinesa you are doing a phenomenal job. 🌟
- Loved the meal! Let's do it again.
- Food was delicious. Love having a variety at each meeting.
- So tasty, I ate every bite and would look forward to it again. The cookie tasted just like a Keebler Deluxe Graham.

THE VENUE

- Wonderful venue!
- Meeting room was a great size. Beautiful facility.
- Lots of room to visit.
- Parking was pretty good but sound system was not good.
- Great venue.
- Enjoyed this site.
- It was somewhat difficult to find the room.

THE PRESENTATION

- Loved hearing what all STEM is doing and how we as community members can support/volunteer.
- Speaker (and Susan!) did just great. Short, sweet, relevant examples, very well done. Just a great evening!
- Dr. Mortimer was an excellent speaker. I enjoyed hearing about her programs and the various ways to get involved with the STEM program.
- I enjoyed Dr. Mortimer's passion she brought to her program.
- Emily is a fantastic representative for the Tulsa Stem Alliance. Her passion for the youth and STEM can be heard in her voice as she shares stories and details about the program. Wonderful session!

EWI OF TULSA 68TH ANNIVERSARY

A Walk Down Memory Lane

March
1956

Executive Women
International of Tulsa is
chartered



1996

President Roberta
Montgomery
KALEIDOSCOPE
Optimize Changing
Patterns

- At the 8th annual Scholastic Classic golf tournament, 119 golfers participated and it netted over \$20,000 for the Education Fund.
- Twenty-six representatives attended the Annual Meeting in Dallas and Myra Trahern was installed as Corporate Vice President/President-Elect.



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1997

President Linda Polson Ride the Wave of the Future

- In September 1997, at EWI's 50th Annual Meeting at the Century Center Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles, Myra was installed as the EWI International President
- Julia Moore and President Linda Polson had the great honor of presenting a check for \$5,000 to the EWI corporate scholarship program in Myra's honor – a gift they hoped would pay tribute to her commitment to the organization by providing a legacy to students to further their education.



2008

President Diane Jarvi Picture This... an Image Year!

- 2008 Scholastic Classic
- 2008 Tribute Dr. Callahan
- 2008 BEF Kyle Maynard
- 2008 New Branding



2007-2008 Picture This...an Image Year!
Diane Jarvi
Osteopathic Founders Foundation



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2014



President Kim Bowman Tap Into Success

- 2014 Spring Conference – Spokane, WA: Felicia Senter (Tulsa Tech), Kim Bowman and Amanda Colquitt (T.D. Williamson), Dana Nichols (Cimarex Energy Co.)
- 2014 Aug – Reading Rally @ Robertson Elementary: Bonnie Pace (Joe West Co.), Donna Andrest (Downtown Doubletree Hotel), Chris Martin (Dewberry), Kim Bowman (T.D. Williamson), Debbie Ash (Alzheimer’s Association), Cynthia Sublett (World Travel), Dana Nichols (Cimarex Energy Co.)



2024

President Jody Davis For Such A Time As This



68
years



EWI OF TULSA 68TH ANNIVERSARY

A Walk Down Memory Lane



In Loving Memory...



Mrs. Lee Williams Hearn was a Charter Member of the Tulsa chapter. Her member firm was Charles J. Loveless Personnel



EWI of Tulsa 50th Anniversary



Lee Hearn & Linda Safley



LCAM 2015 Tulsa, OK



1994 Annual Meeting in Honolulu
Rosemary Gaffey & Jeannie Murphy



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



MARCH

MARCH 5: EXECUTIVE BREAKFAST, 7:30 AM AT CEDAR RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB

MARCH 13: B/C/DP COMMITTEE MEETING, 11:30 AM AT MCNELLIE'S SOUTH

MARCH 13: SAA COMMITTEE MEETING, 3:00 PM VIRTUAL MEETING

MARCH 14: EWI OF TULSA MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING, CHECK-IN AT 5:30 PM, MEETING BEGINS AT 6:00 PM AT WESTREET ICE CENTER

MARCH 18: MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING, 10:30 AM VIRTUAL MEETING

MARCH 20: PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING, 11:30 AM AT OU TULSA

MARCH 27: EWI OF TULSA BOARD MEETING, NOON AT TULSA TECH LEMLEY CAMPUS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH TO MEMBERSHIP

EWI of Tulsa is preparing to host a “March to Membership” event on April 2, 2024, at President Jody Davis’ home. This is a recruitment event geared towards introducing potential new Member Firms to our organization and we need your help to identify companies or individuals you believe would be a good fit. Because we are a non-competitive chapter, respect our current Member Firms by not vetting or posting a potential competitor.

All standard processes will be followed before an invitation is sent to attend the event.

Submit all referrals to Shari Holdman at sholdman@komen.org and Aubry Oehlberg at aohlberg@firststar-bank.com.

Attached below is a form to assist you in the referral process and a full list of current Member Firms.

[Potential Members Worksheet](#)

[Current Member Firms](#)

2024 EMERGING EXECUTIVE WOMEN PROGRAM

The EWI Corporate Board is offering the Emerging Executive Women program again for 2024! Our own Connie Gibson, Food on the Move, was a recipient last year. The program is open and winners will be announced on Monday, April 15. The links to the program guidelines and the application are attached here.

[Program Guidelines](#)

[Emerging Executive Women Application](#)

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READING RALLY

If you are interested in serving on the Reading Rally Committee or want more info, please contact LaFonda Ehlers, our B/C/DP Director at lehlers@moorefuneral.com.

Click here for the [Reading Rally Amazon Wishlist](#).

ASIST

The Executive Women International Adult Students in Scholastic Transition (ASIST) Scholarship Program for the benefit of non-traditional students is accepting applications. EWI of Tulsa will award six scholarships in the amount of \$2000 each. Deadline: Friday, March 25, 2024 at 11:59 PM CT.



<https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarship/asist2024>

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EXECUTIVE BREAKFAST

An invitation was sent out to your executives for the annual EWI Executive Breakfast, on March 5th.

If they have not already received the invitation, please make them aware and have them RSVP to Susan Miller at 918.481.7953 or smiller@wpbctulsa.com.

2024-2025 BOARD SERVICE

I know we are only one-third of the way through this EWI year but in April the Nominating Committee will be sending out Straw Ballots for nominations to the 2024-2025 Tulsa Chapter Board of Directors. Please think about where your talents and skills could be used in leadership or who you think would be a great member of the Chapter Board of Directors!



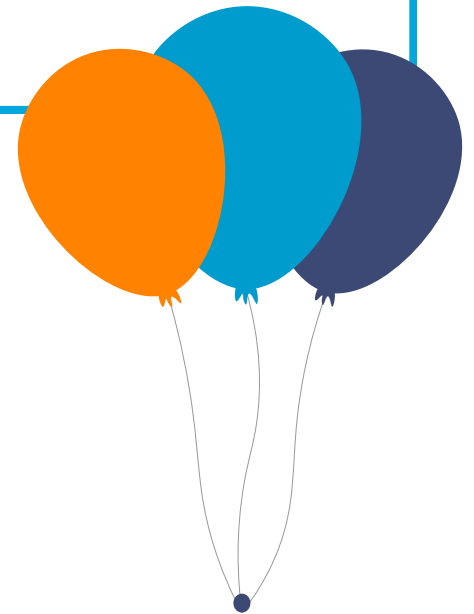
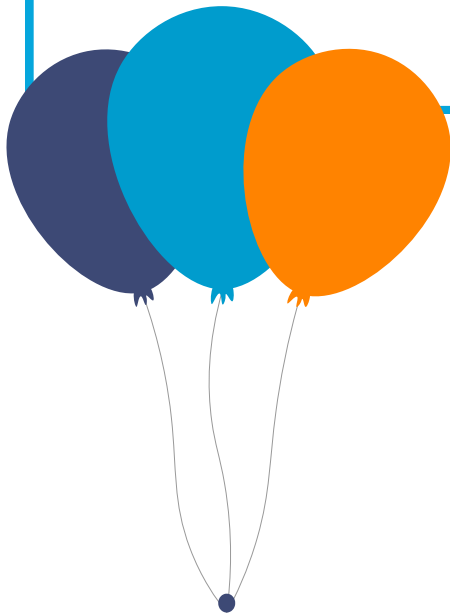
BIRTHDAYS & FIRM ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- March 16:** Dr. Joseph Moore, Executive, Moore Funeral Homes
- March 18:** Dr. LaFonda Ehlers, Representative, Moore Funeral Homes
- March 19:** Lori Heerlyn, Representative, T.D. Williamson
- March 24:** Tamara Conner, Representative, ONEOK Inc.
- March 29:** Saunya Moore, Executive, Montereau

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- March 1956:** JPMorgan Chase & Co.
- March 1956:** Mrs. Dehaven's Flower Shop
- March 1958:** ONEOK Inc.
- March 2011:** Schnake Turnbo Frank
- March 2017:** LDKerns Contractors
- March 2022:** Health Zone at Saint Francis
- March 2023:** The Stonehaven
- March 2023:** Tulsa Zoo
- March 2023:** Allied Universal Security Services
- March 2023:** Sheila Sayne, Attorney at Law



INFORMATION



DOOR PRIZES

Interested in donating a door prize for an upcoming meeting? Please contact Marnie Choisnard at machoisnard@saintfrancis.com. As always, we appreciate your generosity!



MENTORS

Have questions about who your mentor is? Reach out to Aubry Oehlberg and she will help you out!
aohlberg@firststar-bank.com



NEWS & PHOTOS

Want your news or photos in the next Connect? Email peytonlshaffer@outlook.com



LIFE EVENTS

If you are having any life events that you wish to share with the Chapter, please send them to Jessica Vagin at Jessica.vagin@legendseniorliving.com
We want to make sure the Chapter leadership and membership are kept informed of important happenings and are reaching out to support you! It is important to your Board of Directors that we celebrate your personal and professional accomplishments but also offer care and support in the event of surgery, illness or loss.

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ABOUT US

OUR MISSION

EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL (EWI) BRINGS TOGETHER KEY INDIVIDUALS FROM DIVERSE BUSINESSES FOR THE PURPOSE OF: PROMOTING MEMBER FIRMS, ENHANCING PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND ENCOURAGING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT.

OUR VISION

TO ENHANCE PROFESSIONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT WITHIN A DIVERSE GROUP OF WOMEN WHILE EMPOWERING THEM TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AS THEY INSPIRE OTHERS.

OUR VALUES

INTEGRITY | EXCELLENCE | RESPECT | COLLABORATION

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EWI OF TULSA IS A CHAPTER OF EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL ("EWI"). IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT EWI INCLUDING THE MANY DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES OR CONNECT WITH MEMBERS IN OTHER CHAPTERS, PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO REVIEW THE [EWI CORPORATE WEBSITE](http://WWW.EWITULSA.ORG).