



## President's Message

Spring has sprung? Where exactly? Well, at least we can be happy to know that it really is right around the corner!

I hope those that attended our *Party with a Purpose* in March had a great time. We had a good turnout with our members bringing special guests. We not only raised \$560.11 for our ASIST Scholarship Fund, but also introduced EWI to some potential new members! With this being our first time for this event, we learned what we could do to make it even better next time. I would be open to hearing suggestions from all of you with ways to improve this event.

The Nominating Committee will be working to fill our slate of officers for next year. Please carefully consider participating on the board level. You will feel much more involved in the "goings on" of the chapter and it is a wonderful opportunity to serve in a leadership capacity. The Omaha Chapter is full of talented individuals that are ready to grow our chapter, and this will be your chance to get involved.

I am looking forward to seeing you this month *and* getting educated in art! The program for the evening is a very RARE opportunity. It promises to be an insightful evening in a beautiful location. We will also be having a short business meeting along with our program.

*Patty Bain*

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[www.executivewomen.org](http://www.executivewomen.org)

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### April:

*EWI Board Meeting*  
Omaha Chamber of Commerce  
1301 Harney Street  
4:00pm, April 14, 2009

*EWI Monthly Meeting:*  
Joslyn Art Museum  
2200 Dodge St.  
5:30pm, April 22, 2009

### Birthdays:

Cathy Bodammer	April 4
Sam Rutherford	April 23
Becky Rupiper-Greene	April 29

*Our condolences to representatives who have had a recent loss:*

- Bobbie Tvrdik on the loss of her mother
- Stacie Robertson on the loss of her mother

Our sympathies are with you and your family at this difficult time.

## New Member Firm Spotlight – Daugherty Foundation (Representative – Brianne Wilde)

The objective of the Daugherty Foundation is to provide charitable grants to worthy tax-exempt organizations that conduct religious, charitable, scientific, cultural or educational activities primarily in Eastern Nebraska.

Tim Daugherty is the Executive Director of the Daugherty Foundation. Tim has been active on several boards over the years, including: District 66 Educational Foundation, Goodwill Industries, Inc., Hastings College Foundation, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America, Nebraska Methodist Hospital Foundation, Strategic Air & Space Museum, and Wellness Council of the Midlands. Prior to the Daugherty Foundation, Tim was the President of Valley Products Corporation – a manufacturer of electronic equipment - for 36 years, until its sale in 2007. Tim has been married to Linda for 31 years and together they have two children; Ryan (29) and Rebecca (25).

Brianne Wilde is the Assistant Director of the Daugherty Foundation. She came to the Daugherty Foundation in January, 2009, after working as the Executive Assistant to Charles Durham at Durham Resources. Brianne is actively involved with Habitat for Humanity and serves on their Young Professionals Group as the Fundraising Committee Chair. She is also attending school full-time in pursuit of a Secondary Education degree in History and Spanish. In her *free* time, she enjoys reading, traveling, and spending time watching movies and relaxing with her fiancé, Ryan, and kitty, Molly.

## MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



**PARTY WITH A PURPOSE!**

## SAVE THE DATE! Executive's Night October 21, 2009

Please note that this will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month rather than the usual 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday due to the availability of the venue. The Planning Committee, chaired by Linda Hammond, will have further information for us as the date gets closer. Mark your calendars now!



## April Chapter Meeting

April 22, 2009  
 Joslyn Art Museum  
 2200 Dodge Street

### “Appetite for Art”

5:30pm–6:15pm - Cocktails (Cash Bar)  
 6:15pm–7:00pm – Gallery Talk with J. Brooks Joyner,  
 Executive Director, Joslyn Art Museum  
 (Gallery 11)  
 7:00pm–8:00pm – Heavy Hors d’oeuvres  
 (west end of the Atrium)

We will have the opportunity to go into the new exhibit at the museum, *Sentimental Journey*, where J. Brooks Joyner, Executive Director of the Joslyn Art Museum, will talk to us about one of the pieces in that exhibit.

Lecture topic: *Cavalcade (Indian Grand Parade) (Indian Procession)*, 1839, oil on canvas by Alfred Jacob Miller. This grand painting is the first painting you see when entering the current exhibition *Sentimental Journey: The Art of Alfred Jacob Miller*. Alfred Jacob Miller painted *Cavalcade*, one of his most successful western images, for his patron Sir William Drummond Stewart in October 1839, two years after their return from the Rocky Mountains.

Gallery 11 is spacious enough for seating around the painting. Mr. Joyner will have the Pavilion Galleries open for us to enjoy the rest of the exhibit and also the other special exhibit, *The Indian Portrait Gallery of Thomas L. McKenney*.

**\$26.00 per person**

If you do not cancel your reservation with 48 hours of the event, you will be responsible for payment of the meal.

**RSVP by Friday, April 17**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** jennifer.chleboun@ameristar.com

Subject Line: EWI RSVP

**Mail:** Jennifer Chleboun

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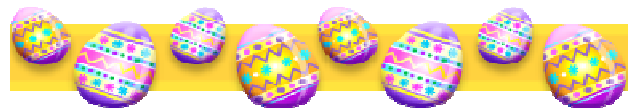
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### Mentors for New Reps

As mentioned in last month’s newsletter, we have started a mentor program for our new members to help them acclimate to our chapter and its activities. We would like to acknowledge the following reps who have volunteered to be mentors: Linda Hammond, Cathy Bodammer and Patty McElderry. We are still in need of more reps who have been members for at least one year to consider being a mentor. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please contact Sue Burkhard at [sburkhard@mccarthyadvisors.com](mailto:sburkhard@mccarthyadvisors.com) or via phone at 361-2015. Thank you for considering this worthwhile endeavor for the benefit of our chapter!

### **Donations for ASIST Scholarship Gift Bags**

If your firm has any items they can contribute for use in the ASIST Scholarship winner gift bags, please let Patty Bain know. We would need items in quantities of three so that we can fill three gift bags. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



### **EWI Fellows Scholarship Program**

The EWI Fellows Scholarship application deadline is April 30. This scholarship, available to all EWI reps, is a terrific membership benefit. Four scholarships are available: two Undergraduate Awards, each in the amount of \$3,000, and two Graduate Awards, each in the amount of \$5,000.

If you will be in school this fall, please apply. If you know of another EWI rep going back to school, encourage them to apply.

For more information, please refer to the attached flyer or you may also contact Nancy Harrison at [nharrison@stanleylaw.com](mailto:nharrison@stanleylaw.com).

### **Membership Committee Request**

If you will be bringing a prospective member to this month’s chapter meeting, please notify Sue Burkhard, Membership Chair, in advance of the meeting. The Membership Committee members will then make certain that your guest is welcomed on behalf of the Omaha Chapter and can visit with her about the membership process and answer any questions. Membership information kits will also be available for your guest to take if she is interested. Thanks for your help in introducing prospective members to our chapter!



**FORM 18**  
**Agenda of the Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Omaha Chapter**  
**EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL®**  
**March 10, 2009**

**Call to Order:** Called to order at: 4:05 pm by: Patty Bain at McCarthy Group offices.

**Roll Call:** Patty Bain, Jennifer Chleboun, Ruth Utman, Sue Burkhard, Kayla Jones, Hilary Allen, Darlis Vauble, Alecia Hartwig, Lori Mitera  
 Excused: Linda Smith

**Minutes:**

The February Board Meeting Minutes are attached. Is there a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes? Motion made by Sue Burkhard. Seconded by Lori Mitera. All in Favor.

Are there any corrections? Alecia Hartwig's name was misspelled in last minutes. Lori will correct for newsletter publishing.

Is there a motion to approve the February 2009 Board Meeting Minutes? Motion made by Alecia Hartwig. Seconded by Hilary Allen. All in Favor. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurers Report is attached. The balance in the General Account is: \$4,931.10 and in the B/C/DP Account is: \$1,692.58 cash on hand and total investments of \$40,676.37.

**Presentation of Statements:**

Name	Purpose	Amount
Bland & Associates, P.C.	Dues packet FedEx Charges	\$19.64
EWI Corporate	2009 Dues – Daugherty Foundation	\$220.00

Is there a motion to approve payment of these statements? Motion made by Darlis Vauble. Seconded by Jennifer Chleboun. All in Favor. Motion carried. The Treasurers Report will be filed for audit.

**EWI Corporate Communications:**

1. 2009 Bylaw Amendment Submission
2. Proposed chapter bylaw change from Minneapolis Chapter
3. New website email addresses for corporate
4. Teleseminar on Membership Recruitment – Thursday, March 12

**Committee Reports:**

Membership – Sue Burkhard – one new member firm, Daugherty Foundation w/ Rep Brianne Wilde. Following up on others. Barb Ewer now with Travel & Transport. Interested in membership. Patty to bring application to her.

Program – Alecia Hartwig – Party w/ a Purpose on March 25<sup>th</sup>. Joslyn on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. ASIST Awards @ Omaha Country Club in May. Discussed date of Sept Program. Installation will be after LCAM on Sept 30.

Publication – Lori Mitera – newsletter to go out this week.

Sergeant-at-Arms – Jennifer Chleboun – 17 firms, 21 Reps., 6 guests, 27 Total. 78% Firms & 75% Reps at February meeting.

Ways & Means - Linda Smith – Absent - no report.

Long Range Planning/ Marketing – Darlis Vauble – no report.

B/C/DP - Patty Bain – ASIST apps went to several area institutions, due back April 6. Have a good committee to help. Looking at Valda Ford for the speaker. Event will be at Omaha Country Club.

Investment Committee – No report.

Philanthropy – No report.

Roster – Gwen Christensen – No report.

Nominating – Open.

**Unfinished Business:**

Patty received contact information at First National Bank from Hilary to cancel credit card service.

**New Business:**

Ellie Morrow, application for Life Member.

Lori Mitera moved that Ellie Morrow's application be accepted. Darlis Vauble seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Announcements:**

Publication Deadline: Tuesday, April 7

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 4:00pm at Omaha Chamber offices, 1301 Harney Street.

Next Chapter Meeting: Wednesday, March 25, Thompson Alumni Center at UNO

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at: 5:22 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL  
OMAHA CHAPTER**

**TREASURER'S REPORT - GENERAL ACCOUNT  
Board Meeting  
March 10, 2009**

**Period: February 1, 2009 to February 28, 2009**

**CASH ON HAND: February 1, 2009** **\$ 8,038.71**

**INCOME & RECEIPTS**

Dinner Income - January	\$ 650.00
Membership Income - 2009 Dues	2,580.00
Ways & Means Income - January raffle	68.00
Bank Interest	5.35
<b>Total Income &amp; Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 3,303.35</b>

**EXPENSES**

Alecia Hartwig - Reimbursement for January dinner mtg	\$ 775.00
Spezia - February lunch meeting	420.96
EWI Corporate - 2009 Dues	4,590.00
EWI Corporate - West 2nd & 3rd Rep Dues	340.00
EWI Corporate - Liability Insurance & Registered Agent Fees	275.00
First of Omaha Merchant Fees	10.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 6,410.96</b>

**Net Decrease in Funds for Period Ended February 28, 2009** **(3,107.61)**

**CASH ON HAND: February 28, 2009** **\$ 4,931.10**

**EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL  
OMAHA CHAPTER**

**TREASURER'S REPORT - B/C/DP ACCOUNT  
Board Meeting  
March 10, 2009**

**Period: February 1, 2009 to February 28, 2009**

<b>CASH ON HAND: February 1, 2009</b>		<b>\$ 1,692.58</b>
 <b>INCOME &amp; RECEIPTS</b>		
None	<u>\$ -</u>	
<b>Total Income &amp; Receipts</b>	\$ -	
 <b>EXPENSES</b>		
None	<u>\$ -</u>	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ -	
<b>Net Increase in Funds for Period Ended February 28, 2009</b>		<u>-</u>
<b>CASH ON HAND: February 28, 2009</b>		<b><u><u>\$ 1,692.58</u></u></b>
 <b>INVESTMENTS ON HAND: February 28, 2009</b>		
Clipper Fund	\$ 11,284.01	
Vanguard Intermediate Bond Fund	12,865.36	
Vanguard Balanced Index Fund	12,881.28	
Vanguard Morgan Growth Fund	<u>1,953.14</u>	
<b>Total Investments</b>		<b>\$ 38,983.79</b>
<b>Total Cash</b>		<b><u>1,692.58</u></b>
 <b>TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS ON HAND: February 28, 2009</b>		 <b><u><u>\$ 40,676.37</u></u></b>

**EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL  
OMAHA CHAPTER****ATTENDANCE REPORT****March, 2009 Dinner Attendance**

Member Firms:	20
Representatives:	24
Life Members:	1
ASIST:	0
Guests:	27
<b>Total Attendance:</b>	<b>52</b>

\*Percent of Total Firms: 80.0%

\*Percent of Total Representatives: 77.4%

**Submitted by:**

**Jennifer Chleboun**  
**EWI Sergeant-at-Arms**

**\*Based from Membership Report (25 firms, 31 reps, 8 Life Members)**

**February, 2009 Dinner Attendance**

Member Firms:	17
Representatives:	21
Life Members:	0
ASIST:	0
Guests:	6
<b>Total Attendance:</b>	<b>27</b>

\*Percent of Total Firms: 70.8%

\*Percent of Total Representatives: 75.0%

**Submitted by:**

**Jennifer Chleboun**  
**EWI Sergeant-at-Arms**

**\*Based from Membership Report (24 firms, 28 reps, 7 Life Members)**

## EWI – Omaha Chapter Membership List

AAA Rents & Event Services – Sheryl Martin  
Advanced Office Interiors – Janet Schawang  
Alegent Health – Linda Franco  
Ameristar – Jennifer Chleboun, Misty Sessions  
Arbonne International– Linda Smith  
Baird Holm LLP – Linda Hammond, Connie Davis  
Bland & Associates, P.C. – Hilary Allen  
Brandeis Catering – Michelle Mueller  
Bridges Investment Counsel – Margaret “Sam”  
Rutherford  
Burlington Capitol Group, LLC – Ruth Utman  
Daugherty Foundation – Brianne Wilde  
Doubletree Hotel Downtown – Patty Bain  
Embassy Suites Hotel – Mary Jane Taylor  
Girls Incorporated of Omaha – Jane Allamong  
Goodwill Industries, Inc. – Bobbie Tvrdik

Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce – Alecia Hartwig  
Kelly Services – Jane Moffitt  
Lincoln Financial Group – Patty McElderry, Jo Anne  
Drefs  
McCarthy Group Advisors – Sue Burkhard  
Northern Natural Gas Company – Carol Armstrong  
OPPD – Cathy Bodammer, Linda Hutchens  
SilverStone Group, Inc. – Jeannie Aldredge  
Tero International- Becky Rupiper-Greene  
West Asset Management – Lori Mitera, Gwen  
Christensen, Stacie Robertson  
Woodman of the World Life Insurance Society – Darlis  
Vauble  
Transitional Members – Barb Ewer  
Life Members- Sharon Sacha, Sally Komrofske, Loy  
Flanagan, Sally Rose Burns, Patricia Leonard,  
Lenore Honke, Marlene Johnson, Ellie Morrow

### ***EWI® Mission and Vision***

#### ***Mission***

Executive Women International® is an organization which brings together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purpose of:

- ❑ Promoting member firms
- ❑ Enhancing personal and professional development, and
- ❑ Encouraging community involvement

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