

President's Message



Darn it, Phil saw his shadow and the tiger at the zoo picked the winter box!

Seems we just got through the holidays and now Lent is approaching! Because Ash Wednesday falls on our regularly scheduled Chapter meeting day, we moved it up a week to be able to accommodate the majority of our members. We are also doing a noon time meeting, so be sure to mark your calendar with the correct day *AND* time!

I have not received any requests yet to be your friend in Linked-in, but I have not registered yet either! I do plan to do that. We have to get with the 21st Century, right? Just think of all the connections we can make, suddenly the world gets smaller! It took me a while to figure out that a cell phone and an email address would be a good thing, and now what would we do without these special tools? I thought I left my cell phone at home the other day and about had a panic attack. Oh my gosh! How will I ever get through the day without my cell phone?!

So is anyone else participating in a "Biggest Loser" program at work? It seems we are getting more and more nutrition-minded. HyVee just announced their Nuval rating system. I think this is pretty cool. You can really narrow down your choices a lot faster by reading the rating on the shelf for each food item. Foods are rated from 1-100 (100 being the best overall nutritional value). I'm looking forward to our February speaker, Lisa Nichter, who is speaking on the topic of "Super Foods".

Please be thinking of people you would like to invite to our ASIST Fundraiser in March, "Party with a Purpose!". This would be a good opportunity to participate as a vendor as well. If you are interested or if you know of someone who would be interested in selling, please let Linda Smith know.

See you on February 18th!

Patty Bain

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www.executivewomen.org

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February:

EWI Board Meeting
Woodmen, 1700 Farnam Street
4:00pm, February 10, 2009

EWI Monthly Meeting:
Spezia, 3125 S. 72nd Street
11:30am, February 18, 2009

Birthdays:

Bobbie Tvrdik February 9

2009 Annual Dues

If you have not yet paid your annual dues, please do so right away. Please send your payment to Hilary Allen, Chapter Treasurer. Thank you!

JANUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



IT'S A PARTY WITH A PURPOSE!

Wednesday, March 25, 2009
UNO Alumni Center
Omaha, NE

Executive Women International invites you to a party with friends!

This is a fundraiser for the 2009 ASIST Scholarship Fund to be held during our March Chapter Meeting.

Do you have a side business? Kitchen supplies? Jewelry? Purses? Candles? Make-up?

If you do, and you would like to participate in something fun that also raises funds for our ASIST Scholarship Fund, then let us know!

Individual suppliers will have a booth at our event and a portion of their sales will go to the EWI ASIST Scholarship Fund. For more information or to let us know you are interested, please call Linda Smith at 657-9735 or contact Linda via email at lindalearbonne@yahoo.com.

February Chapter Meeting

February 18, 2009
Spezia, 3125 S. 72nd Street

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Program: "Super Foods"
by Lisa Nichter, RD, LMNT, CDE
The Nebraska Medical Center Clinical Nutrition

Menu

Choice of:

Mediterranean Chicken Salad

Mixed greens with chopped artichokes, feta cheese, pepperoncini, roma tomato, kalamata olives, and red onions ~ Mediterranean Greek Dressing
Served with Tomato Basil Soup

– or –

Chicken Parmigiana

Spezia mashed potatoes with porcini sauce and fresh asparagus.
Served with a house salad

Both entrees include choice of pop, coffee, or ice tea and dessert.

\$15.50 per person

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

Name: _____

Firm: _____

Guests: _____

RSVP by Friday, February 13

Please RSVP regrets also.

Email: jennifer.chleboun@ameristar.com

Subject Line: EWI RSVP

Mail: Jennifer Chleboun

Ameristar Casino

2200 River Road

Council Bluffs, IA 51501

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!

Member Firm Recognition!

Congratulations to the following member firms!

Omaha Print - The following article appeared in the December issue of the Midlands Business Journal. Kudos to Omaha Print and their associates!

"Omaha Print has been named a recipient of the 2008 Best Workplace in the Americas Award by the Printing Industries of America. Omaha Print was one of 16 companies in North America to be awarded with the top designation of "Best of the Best." It is the only company in Nebraska to receive the honor for 2008."

Lincoln Financial's former CEO, Robert Bates, and **Baird Holm's** senior counsel, Deryl Hamann, will be inducted into the Omaha Business Hall of Fame on April 16. The Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce initiated the Hall of Fame in 1993 to recognize accomplishments that are historically significant to Omaha's development.



Congratulations to Laurie Dondelinger on the birth of her baby boy! Jacob Gregory was welcomed into the world on January 6.



FORM 18
Agenda of the Board of Directors Meeting
Omaha Chapter
EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL®
January 13, 2009

Call to Order: McCarthy Group, 101 Pacific Street.
 Called to order at: 4:18 pm by: Patty Bain.

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

Minutes:

The December 9th Board Meeting Minutes are attached. Is there a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes?
 Motion made by: Darlis Vauble Seconded by: Alecia Hartwig. All in Favor . Motion carried.

Are there any corrections? No

Is there a motion to approve the October 8, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes?
 Motion made by: Lori Mitera. Seconded by: Sue Burkhard. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurers Report is attached. The balance in the General Account is: \$4,429.47 and in the B/C/DP Account is: \$1,692.58 cash on hand and total investments of \$46,308.81.

Presentation of Statements:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Alecia Hartwig	December Dinner Meeting @ Biaggi's	\$551.18
Payless Office Products	EWI Name Badges	22.41
EWI Corporate	Liability Insurance & Agent Fee	275.00

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

EWI Corporate Communications:

Lucille Johnson Perkins Award – new this year. One nomination per Chapter approved by chapter board.
 Patty will check with Omaha Print as they sponsored all the printing for the conference held in Omaha.
 Note from Open Door Mission – thanks and upcoming drives

Board Reports:

Membership – Sue Burkhard – Discussed retention of current companies/ reps and phone calls each board member had made.

Program – Alecia Hartwig – January – changed to on-line networking program by Linked-In . Decided to move February 25th meeting to February 18 over lunch due to Ash Wednesday.

Publication – Lori Mitera – New look for newsletter. Working on newsletter. It will be out by end of the week.

Sergeant-at-Arms – Jennifer Chleboun - No report.

Ways & Means - Linda Smith – (absent) working on flier for Party with a Purpose in March at UNO Alumni Center.

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

B/C/DP - Kayla Jones – No report

Roster – Gwen Christensen – Current

Nominating – Kayla Jones – No report

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business.

New Business:

Discussed use of credit cards & fees charged to us to have this service available.

Announcements:

Next Chapter Meeting: Wednesday, January 28 – Embassy Suites Old Market

Publication Deadline: Tuesday, February 3, 2009

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 at 4:00pm at Woodmen of the World, 27th floor of Woodmen Tower, 1700 Farnam Street.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at: 5:18 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL
OMAHA CHAPTER****TREASURER'S REPORT - GENERAL ACCOUNT
Board Meeting
January 13, 2009****Period: December 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008****CASH ON HAND: December 1, 2008** **\$ 4,486.51****INCOME & RECEIPTS**

Dinner Income - November	\$ 525.00
Bank Interest	2.85
Total Income & Receipts	\$ 527.85

EXPENSES

Brandeis Catering - November dinner meeting	\$ 574.89
First of Omaha Merchant Fees	10.00
Total Expenses	\$ 584.89

Net Decrease in Funds for Period Ended December 31, 2008 **(57.04)****CASH ON HAND: December 31, 2008** **\$ 4,429.47**

**EXECUTIVE WOMEN INTERNATIONAL
OMAHA CHAPTER**

**TREASURER'S REPORT - B/C/DP ACCOUNT
Board Meeting
January 13, 2009**

Period: December 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

CASH ON HAND: December 1, 2008 \$ 1,419.58

INCOME & RECEIPTS

Jewelry fundraiser income	\$ 700.00
Silent auction income	183.00
Entertainment Books income	<u>130.00</u>

Total Income & Receipts \$ 1,013.00

EXPENSES

Marijo Schneiderwind - jewelry fundraiser expenses	\$ 560.00
Entertainment books expense	<u>180.00</u>

Total Expenses \$ 740.00

Net Increase in Funds for Period Ended December 31, 2008 273.00

CASH ON HAND: December 31, 2008 \$ 1,692.58

INVESTMENTS ON HAND: December 31, 2008

Clipper Fund	\$ 15,768.43
Vanguard Intermediate Bond Fund	13,068.43
Vanguard Balanced Index Fund	15,156.06
Vanguard Morgan Growth Fund	<u>2,315.89</u>

Total Investments \$ 46,308.81

Total Cash 1,692.58

TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS ON HAND: December 31, 2008 \$ 48,001.39

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

Member Firms:	18
Representatives:	21
Life Members:	0
ASIST:	0
Guests:	7
Total Attendance:	28

*Percent of Total Firms: 52.9%

*Percent of Total Representatives: 50.0%

Submitted by:

Jennifer Chleboun
EWI Sergeant-at-Arms

***Based from Membership Report (34 firms, 42 reps, 7 Life Members)**

December, 2008 Dinner Attendance

Member Firms:	17
Representatives:	19
Life Members:	0
ASIST:	0
Guests:	0
Total Attendance:	19

*Percent of Total Firms: 50.0%

*Percent of Total Representatives: 45.2%

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EWI Sergeant-at-Arms

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EWI – Omaha Chapter Membership List

AAA Enterprises – Replacement rep to be determined
Achievement Unlimited, Inc. – Rose Mary Hefley
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 – Cheryl Moninger Bettin
Brownell Talbot – Julie Adams
Burlington Capitol Group, LLC – Ruth Utman
Doubletree Hotel Downtown – Patty Bain
Embassy Suites Hotel – Mary Jane Taylor
Girls Incorporated of Omaha – Jane Allamong, Shannon Dunning
Goodwill Industries, Inc. – Bobbie Tvrdik
Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce – Alecia Hartwig
Interpublic Group – Jan Trerice
Kelly Services – Jane Moffitt
Kohl's Pharmacy – Laurie Dondelinger

Lincoln Financial Group – Patty McElderry, Jo Anne Drefs
MarketSphere Consulting – Sue Rodenburg
McCarthy Group Advisors – Sue Burkhard
Mid-America Center – Replacement rep to be determined
Northern Natural Gas Company – Carol Armstrong
Omaha Print – Pam Stanton
OPPD – Cathy Bodammer, Deb Emerson, Linda Hutchens
Prestige Title & Escrow – Jody Hill
SilverStone Group, Inc. – Jeannie Aldredge
TD Ameritrade Holding Corporation – Sandra Sealock
Tero International- Becky Rupiper-Greene
Travel Faire/American Express – Ginny Molinaro
West Asset Management – Lori Mitera, Gwen Christensen
Woodman of the World Life Insurance Society – Darlis Vauble
Transitional Members – Ellie Morrow, Barb Ewer, Kayla Roberts-Jones
Life Members- Sharon Sacha, Sally Komrofske, Loy Flanagan, Sally Rose Burns, Patricia Leonard, Lenore Honke. Marlene Johnson

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

Vision

To be the Leading Connection for Business Professionals

SHARE THE NEWS!

Send submissions for the Chapter Newsletter to:

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