

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Who are we? We remain, to quote the Corporate bylaws, "...an association of non-competing businesses, governmental agencies, non-profit enterprises or associations actively engaged in the conduct of business..." Our website home page states we are, "...an organization which brings together key individuals from diverse businesses..."

I write this a few days after returning from EWI's 64th Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting. A separate special issue of our Chapter connect newsletter will be devoted to reporting about LCAM, but I want to jump right in and share the following with you. Three hundred ninety-two representatives registered to attend this year's LCAM in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and one hundred four of us were credentialed delegates to the Saturday afternoon business meeting. Prior to voting whether to delete the non-compete wording from the Corporate and Chapter bylaws, we heard the diversity within the organization. Each representative who spoke, either for or against the amendment, clearly shared a deep passion for EWI and the goal of strengthening and growing EWI. But because we are diverse in our personal careers and objectives, our geographical and economical factors, our age and experiences, the means advocated to achieve the goal were also diverse. I was personally surprised that the vote to amend the by-laws failed, and that it failed by a vote of 50 in favor and 53 against.

Who are we? Our Chapter is one of the strongest in the whole organization, and I came back from LCAM with a new pride in belonging to EWI of Wichita, and with renewed astonishment that you amazing women elected me to lead you this year! We heard about Chapters with far fewer members and representatives, about Chapters who can't get anyone to do anything or to come to Board meetings or chair committees, etc. Each time I realized how blessed we are that so many of you care enough about our Chapter to generously commit to supporting its goals and activities year after year.

Above all, we are ladies who work together on committees! I truly believe that this is one of our greatest strengths and is a key to our Chapter's success. By now I hope you have looked through the committee assignments that I e-mailed to you last week and noted where your name appears. The committee chairs will be introduced at the next Chapter meeting, October 19, 2011. Yes, that means I want you all there and I will ask you to stand up, and I will even ask a few of you to come to the front and talk. We especially need to hear about the Reading Rally (see article in this issue). The last part of the meeting will be break-out sessions for some of the committees.

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Please feel free to contact me anytime, for anything. My response time may vary but I WILL respond. I need to know what you need, and want to know what you want, from our Chapter.

Take good care,

Helen Nicoli
President 2011-2012
EWI of Wichita

Our President-Helen Nicoli

(With her beloved violin)

Helen L. Nicoli, joined EWI in 2000, representing Schaefer Johnson Cox Frey Architecture. She jumped right in serving as Ways & Means committee chair in 2002, Secretary in 2003-2004, Retention & Orientation chair in 2005-2006, Treasurer in 2007-2008 and in 2008-2009. She stepped up to the plate 2010-2011, taking the Vice President/President Elect position.



Helen's husband Philip, who was born in Italy, passed away in 2003. He was retired City of Wichita Administrator and professional trumpet player.



She has one son Philip Eugene, a lovely daughter-in-law Gina, and two beautiful grandchildren Olivia and Andrew Philip.



Helen's mother Lucille Cornelsen, with great grandchildren Olivia and Andrew.

2010-2011 FINAL BOARD MEETING



A Small token of our appreciation for Candace's work as President - a necklace from Carolyn Sayre's!!

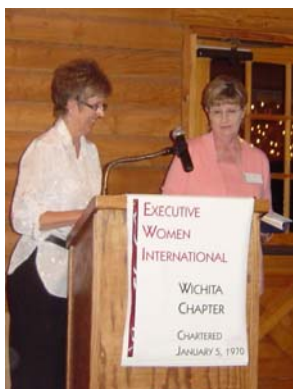
A VERY REWARDING YEAR!!!!

AND

INSTALLATION OF 2011-2012 BOARD September 14, 2011



ANGELA TELFORD DID A FABULOUS JOB OF PROVIDING THE BUILDING BLOCKS FOR THE NEW BOARD. THANKS ANGELA!!!



A WONDERFUL EVENING AT EBERLY FARMS!!



UPCOMING EVENTS

October Chapter Meeting

October 19 EWI Meeting is at the Hyatt Regency Wichita, 400 W. Waterman St. at 6:00 p.m. We will meet in the beautiful Riverview Ballroom. We will hear more about our Committees, get to meet our Committee Chairs and hear of their vision for the upcoming year. We will also be learning about the upcoming Reading Rally and Secret Sister activities.

By request of our President Helen Nicoli, please wear your cutest shoes! The Hyatt will be hosting the bar and providing a great menu. Don't forget to rsvp so you can be in on the mystery of the cutest shoes!

Menu:

Mixed Greens with Goat Cheese, Dried Cranberries, Candied Walnuts and Strawberry Vinaigrette
 Stuffed Chicken Breast with Apple and Fennel
 Chef's Choice of Starch and Vegetable
 Fresh Bread Presentation
 Freshly Brewed Iced Tea and Coffee
 Served Warm Granny Caramel Apple Pie

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Theresa Hogan 10/2
 Sherry Moore 10/7
 Marcy Ray 10/11
 Julie Roberts 10/12
 Jean Hedstrom 10/13
 Renee Osborn 10/13
 Marilyn Richwine 10/16
 Rhonda Fullerton 10/22
 Sandra Richardson 10/22
 Gaile Garner 10/23

Dates to Note

Wine & Dine or Lunch Bunch
 To be announced -

Board Meeting - October
 20th SJCF, 257 N. Broadway
 4:00 PM

November Chapter Meeting

November 16
 Wichita Marriott
 9100 E. Corporate Hills Dr.
 "The Architecture of EWI"

December Chapter Meeting

December 14
 Rolling Hills Country Club



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IT'S TIME AGAIN!!

Joan Wamsley

Once again this year we will be inviting members to participate in our "secret sisters" program. Forms will be available at the October meeting.

All who wish to participate will please complete the forms by October 26, if they wish to do any **Booing** of their secret sis.

READING RALLY

Charlene Dreiling

This year's Reading Rally will be held at Colvin Elementary School on Wednesday, October 26. This year's book is Arrowhawk and will be read to the children by members of the Wichita Police Department. We plan to provide each child with his/her own copy of the book, a Reading Rally t-shirt and a "goodie" bag of miscellaneous school supplies. We will also treat the children and teachers to pizza, orange drink and cookies.

Colvin Elementary's theme is "The Reading Place" which inspires students to excel. The school places major emphasis on ensuring all students read on or above grade level. They also have a Family Literacy Program which promotes strong parent involvement with focus on attendance and academics.

Colvin Elementary is a Title I school with a diverse student population. The EWI Reading Rally supports the school's theme and will allow the students to interact with the police department representatives in an afternoon of fun with reading, writing their own stories and pizza!

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DEN MANAGEMENT CELEBRATES 40 YEARS OF SERVICE

The company celebrated 40 years on Thursday September 1, 2011, with a party in the OldTown Warren Theatre Grille with food, movies, and casino games. Diamonds are Forever and So is DEN was the theme of the party. DEN's owner, David Norris resembles Sean Connery, so how ironic that Sean Connery's last Bond movie, Diamonds are Forever, was in 1971. When Connery (a.k.a. David Norris) hung up his Bond tuxedo, he thought of no better career than one in mechanical construction. Three-hundred and fifty DEN employees and customers attended the event. DEN's CAD and sheet metal divisions made replicas of Bond Girls and guests had their pictures with them. Before each movie a video was shown detailing the theme a portrayed David as Bond, which was followed by a short comment with David Norris thanking all the employees, customers and families for their dedication to and support for the company.



DEN was started by Dean E. and David E. Norris, father and son in 1971, before there were fax machines, cell phones, ipads, and personal computers, which shows the progression of the company in 40 years. The company was founded on providing the ultimate customer experience which is still portrayed today by the employees.

DEN Management is the parent company of Dean E. Norris and Professional Mechanical Contractors and are mechanical and plumbing contractors delivering comfort and performance solutions for its customers in the commercial, industrial and residential markets in the Wichita and surrounding area. DEN's specialized value process addresses its customers' needs focusing on the time, performance and cost of solutions.

MIDWEST SINGLE SOURCE CELEBRATES 35 YEARS - CONGRATULATIONS TO JOHN AND RENEE OSBORN FOR THE SUCCESSFUL GROWTH OF THEIR "SOLUTIONS THROUGH SERVICE" ORGANIZATION!



Bring your ghouls and goblins out to the Sedgwick County Zoo on October 28, 29 or 30 for a night of not-too scary Halloween fun. Wander the Zoo from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. playing fun Halloween games, see creepy displays, visit Candy Land and much more! Purchase your advance tickets and save. Children 2 and under do not need a ticket!!

STAY TUNED FOR THE SPECIAL LCAM EDITION OF THE CONNECT!! LOOKS LIKE THEY HAD A FABULOUS TIME!!

