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President's Message

The year 2020 will definitely be a year of conversation! We are four months into the shutdown but are now seeing businesses starting to open again. This has been a very

fluid event for all of us and we are starting to really see the effects on people, be it physical and emotional, our economy and our nation. Now, on top of this, we have been presented with another long-time issue that has really come to light with the killing of Mr. Floyd in Minneapolis. We watch the unrest and try to understand everything. You can see the anxiety, fear and anger on people's faces, at every turnaround. In the paper, on the news, and mostly, on all the social media that encompasses our world. How do we push through this? Is my mind open enough to understand all this discussion now out there? Can I partake without being scared I'll be hurt? Just so many questions. I've had some great discussions lately and have learned to look at some things completely different. I will apply all that I have learned as I hope everyone would. This is personal to each of you, but if any of you need to talk, need guidance or just need to vent...know that we are in this together! We will help each other and lift each other up when needed!

We want to say congratulations to our Jordan Stocking on the birth of her baby boy, Graham! This is always a blessed event and we are certainly excited as Jordan starts another chapter in her life.

Your board is working to continue to provide our very important monthly meetings, but as you know, they have become a little more challenging with COVID. We want to make sure we are providing something special every time. We very much appreciate your patience and commitment to our Chapter! All of you is what makes this organization so special, and we need you!

Thank you, again, for your and your firm's support to EWI and our Omaha Chapter.

Virtual hugs,

Jonna Radtke
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Interested in getting more involved with EWI? We have new representatives that recently joined and we are in need of mentors for these new reps!

**If you can help in any way, it would be most appreciated!
Please contact Amy Ayer if interested at
amy@anewleafomaha.com.**

Thank you to Karissa Williams, Bossbabe, for a great event in May! We appreciate her speaking with our group!

If you would like her information, please see below!

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A message from Karissa: Thank you for supporting me. Here is a link where you can pre-pay for your book. Once the books come in I will be hosting a Book pick up event where you will be able to stop by, pick up your signed copy, and say hello! [Claim Your copy](#)

JULY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR

**“When the FBI is in Your House, You Can Handle Almost Anything!”
Overcoming Adversity When You Think You Have Nothing Left in the Tank**

Presenter: Dawn Ammons

Founder and Chief Heart Officer
Going All In Performance Group

**Tuesday, July 7, 2020
3:00 PM ET / 12:00 PM PT**



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EWI® Board Meeting

July 9, 2020

EWI July Monthly Meeting

July 22, 2020

2020 Chapter Meeting Schedule

Mark your calendars!

July 22

August 26

September 23

October 28

November 18

December - TBD

Member Spotlight

July Presenter: Trish Bauermeister



At each meeting, a different member of EWI will tell the chapter a little bit about themselves. Names will be selected by the current presenter to determine the presenter for the next meeting.

SHARE THE NEWS!

Send submissions for the chapter newsletter to:

Contact: Jordan Stocking

Phone: 402-350-1686

E-mail: jstocking@olliewebbinc.org

This includes any Awards/KUDOS/Special Events

ATTENTION MEMBERS: If you are NOT receiving the Corporate EWI Connect, which is emailed monthly, please let Cheryl McCall know and she will follow up with corporate to get you on the distribution list. Her email address is cmccall@accessbank.com. Thank you.

PLEASE SHARE!

Forward this copy of the EWI Omaha Connect to your Firm Executive and let them know that the EWI Omaha Chapter is promoting member firms, enhancing personal and professional development, and encouraging community involvement!

If your firm is interested in hosting an EWI of Omaha Chapter meeting, please reach out to our Program Directors, Cindy Brickey at cbrickey@visitomaha.com and Susan Hussey at susan.hussey@nebraskablue.com

If you know of an occasion where we need to send a card on behalf of our membership, please email Amy Hansen at ahansen@firstwestroads.bank



July

Michelle Miller	July 7
Marcia Hofmann	July 16
Susanne Waltermeyer	July 28

August

Rhonda Silvey	August 1
Janet Schawang	August 3
Lenore Honke	August 14
Natalie Hadley	August 15
Ruth Utman	August 19
Susan Hussey	August 26
Cindy Brickey	August 28
Sally Komrofske	August 31



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Cassling Diagnostic Imaging – Monica Casey
CHI Health – Samantha Kafka
CIT Bank – Audrey Farley, Judi Huff
Elegant Edge Events – Natalie Kotrc, Brenda Tharp
First Westroads Bank – Amy Hansen
Flood Communications – Itzel Gonzalez
Greater Omaha Chamber – Lindsay Christiansen, Kim DiMari, Sandy Spady
Green Plains, Inc. – Sharon Mize
Habitat for Humanity – TBD
HDR – Paula Cooper
Hyatt Place Omaha, Downtown Old Market – Trish Bauermeister
Lund Company, The – Jane Heath, Jonna Radtke
Marriott Downtown at Capitol District – Patty Bain

McFarlin & Brokke, P.C. – Melissa Travis
Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority – Gillian Austin
Midwest Maintenance – TBD
Mutual of Omaha – Melissa Swan
Ollie Webb Center, Inc. – Jordan Stocking
Omaha Steaks – Kristin Gochenour, Molly Murphy
Outlook Collaborative – Natalie Hadley, Susanne Waltermeyer
Partnership 4 Kids – Cheryl Murray
Signature Performance – Deb Holzworth, Stacie Robertson
Silverstone Group – Marcia Hofmann, Michelle Miller
Streck – Alexis Boyd
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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.



CONNECTIONS | CAREERS | COMMUNITY

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