



PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Hello EWI of Omaha!

What a joy it is to write my very first message as your Chapter President! I'm honored to step into this role and grateful for the support and encouragement so many of you have shared. A heartfelt thank-you to our newly installed Board Members—your energy and dedication are already making a difference, and I'm excited for the year ahead.

October has swept in with golden leaves, crisp mornings, and just enough Halloween mischief to keep things festive. Our meeting at Venue 1883 was a fantastic way to kick off the season. The tour and presentation gave us a glimpse into a truly unique space, and it was wonderful to connect with each other in such a welcoming setting.

Looking ahead, November brings two meaningful opportunities to gather and give back. First, mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 13 at Vino Mas, where we'll host the Darlis Vauble Memorial Scholarship Fundraiser. This event is always a highlight—an evening of great company, good wine, and heartfelt purpose as we honor Darlis's legacy and raise funds for her scholarship. I hope to see many of you there!

Second, our monthly meeting will be held at Angels Among Us, an organization doing powerful work for families facing pediatric cancer. Please take a moment to explore the donation link included in this newsletter—supporting their mission is our featured Charitable Activity, and every contribution helps make a difference.

75 days left to make the year count.

Let every sunrise, and sunset, remind you it's never too late to rewrite your story, chase what lights you up, and fall in love with the life you're creating. Remember, the time is now.

Let me know how I can help!

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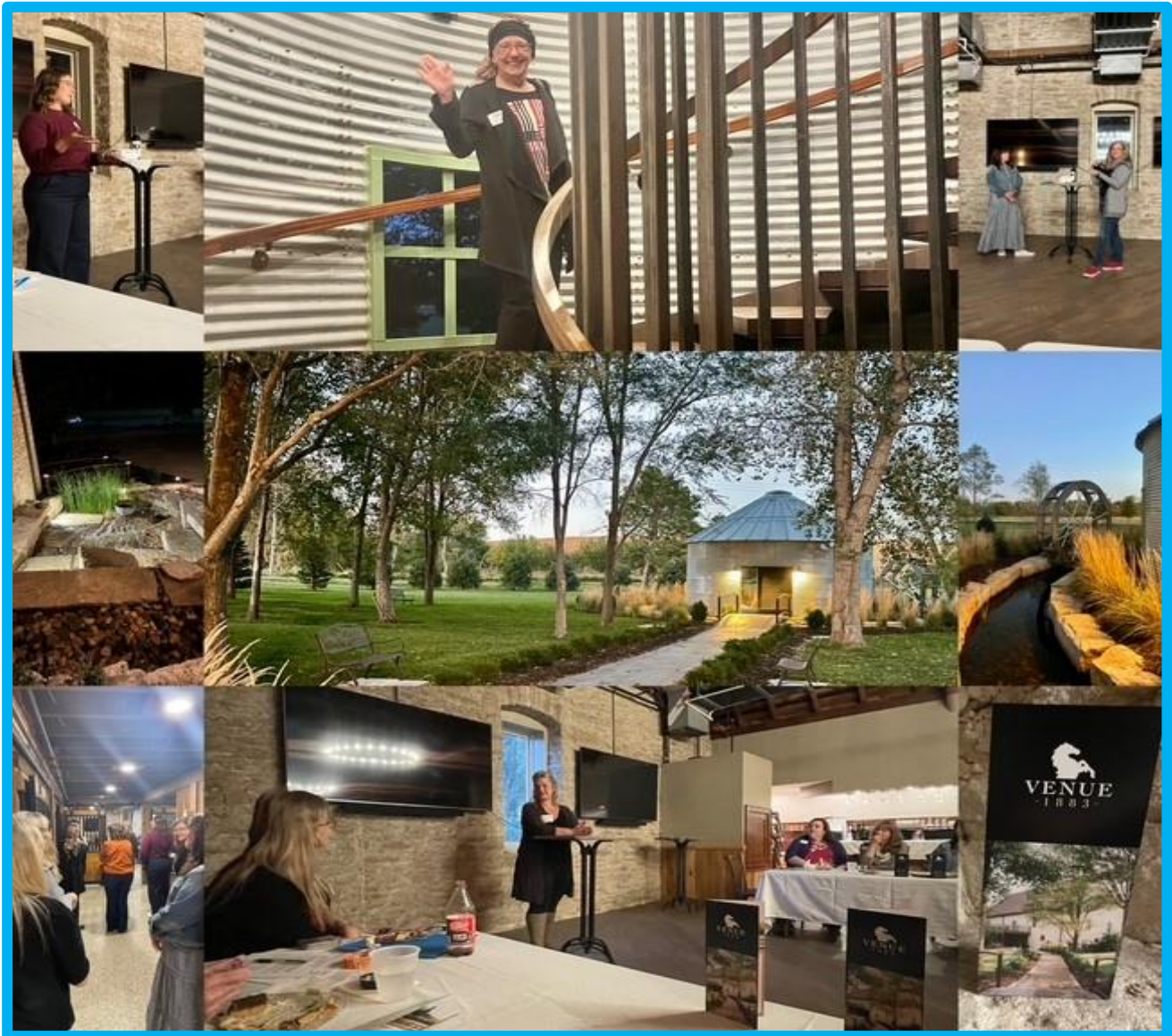
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On October 22nd our chapter gathered for a Member Firm Spotlight at the beautiful Venue 1883 in Plattsmouth, NE. Tori Anderson, representative of Stratum Live Events and published author, provided an original inspiration, reminding us to check in with our goals we set for ourselves at the beginning of the year and to set the tone for 2026. Brenda Ulven, Venue 1883's Representative, told us of the history of the establishment and graciously provided a tour of the building and grounds, highlighting the most popular uses of each space. If you were unable to attend but are interested in learning more about this gorgeous venue, please connect with Brenda Ulven!

We would like to formally thank Elegant Edge Events for catering the evening!

Tori Anderson's meeting Inspiration:

As we settle into fall, I encourage you to consider joining one of our chapter committees: Programs, Fundraising, Communications, or Standing Rules. These teams are the heartbeat of our organization, and your voice and talents are always welcome. Reach out to any Board Member for more information—we'd love to have you involved.

Thank you for being part of this vibrant, generous, and inspiring community. I'm looking forward to a season filled with connection, growth, and plenty of EWI-full fun

There are 75 days left of 2025.

Take risks.

Invest in others.

Make it beautiful.



Mark Your Calendars!

EWI Board Meeting
November 18, 2025
5:30pm – Virtual

EWI Chapter Meeting
November 19, 2025
Angels Among Us

UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETINGS

November 19th

December 10th

January 28th

VINO MAS
14450 EAGLE RUN DRIVE

RAISE A GLASS FOR DAR

A FUNDRAISING EFFORT FOR THE DARLIS VAUBLE SCHOLORSHIP



NOVEMBER 13, 2025
5:00PM – 8:00 PM
\$25 A PERSON

Darlis Vauble was a cherished member of EWI of Omaha and a guiding light in the Omaha Community. Her passion for mentoring, her leadership as chapter president and corporate board member, and her unwavering support of the ASIST Scholarship Program touched countless lives. Whether organizing events or offering heartfelt advice, Darlis led with kindness, humor and grace .She greeted everyone with her signature “Hey Darlin’,” a phrase that still echoes in our hearts and reminds us of her warmth and generosity. This fundraiser honors her legacy of service, compassion and connection—values she lived every day.

WINE TASTING 5:00PM - 6:30PM
SOCIAL AND SNACKS AVAILABLE UNTIL 8:00 PM

Monetary donations accepted
via QR Code



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EWI of Omaha Presents November Chapter Meeting



November 19, 2025



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SUPPORTING FAMILIES OF CHILDREN WITH CANCER

Location

Angels Among Us
220 N 89th Street, Suite 101,
Omaha, NE 68114

Don't forget!

Don't forget donation items which can be purchased via the Amazon wishlist OR bring in \$10 Dairy Queen gift cards! (Flyer attached for more information!)

Schedule

5:30PM Registration & Networking
6:00PM Introductions, Inspiration
& Dinner
6:30PM Program & Activity

Information

Please join us to learn more about Angels Among Us and help us create craft kits! The craft kits will be available at no charge to all pediatric cancer families served by Angels Among Us as part of their holiday festivities for their Emotional Support Programming. Let's make a difference together!

\$30/person, RSVP due November 14, 2025



Angels Among Us Donations List Through December

Please join us to make HOLIDAY CRAFT KITS for Angels Among Us. We will meet and learn about Angels Among Us at our November 19th meeting, and donation collections start today!



Donations include: items listed on their Amazon wishlist (Scan QR code) OR \$10 Dairy Queen gift cards to support a child on their birthday.

Learn more about Angels Among Us here: www.myangelsamongus.org



Are you interested in making a difference in EWI? Consider Committee Service!

Corporate Committees

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To sign up for one or more EWI of Omaha Chapter Committees use the QR code below!

Scan the QR or use link to join



<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/7sgVajPKpr>

Newsletter Tidbits



Have you signed up yet?

You can raise funds for EWI of Omaha simply by buying gift cards from 750+ brands. Our chapter earns 2-20% from each card purchased! No extra money spent. No selling needed. It's that easy.

Click this [link](#) to register and learn more!



Meeting Space

If your firm has space to accommodate an EWI of Omaha Chapter meeting and/or you would like to help with future meetings by joining the Programs Committee, please reach out to our Program Directors, Amy Ayer at amy.ayer@hdrinc.com and Sheila Fitzgerald at sheila@anewleafomaha.com.



Got News?

Would you like to give kudos to a fellow member? Brag about an award you or a fellow member won? Is your firm hosting a special event? Spread the word in our newsletter! Email your newsletter submissions to Jordan Stocking at jstocking@burlingtoncapital.com.

Share Our News!

Forward a copy of the EWI of Omaha Connect to your Firm Executive and let them know how our chapter is promoting member firms, enhancing personal and professional development, and encouraging community involvement.

Tell Us the News!

If you know of any EWI member who could use some support, please email Pam Yenke at pyenko@accessbank.com.

EWI of Omaha

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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.



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