

Letter from the President



The November firm night meeting at Cr er Believe was both enjoyable and educational. Thank you to Susan Mossberger and her guests who shared valuable information on how she started and expanded her business.

Welcome to SA2020 and its representative, Anna Brackett. Anna will be serving on the ASIST Committee and her mentor is Diane Flack (San Antonio Museum of Art). Lisa Chapa has joined us as the representative for Rosenthal Pauerstein Sandoloski Agather

LLP. Lisa will serve on the EWISP Committee and her mentor is Bobbye Scott (HOLT CAT). We are pleased to welcome both of you to EWI of San Antonio.

Be on the lookout for your membership renewal to be distributed this month. EWI of San Antonio is a wonderful organization that affords us, the representatives, the opportunity to “promote our member firms, enhance personal and professional development, and encourage community involvement.”

The holidays are in full swing and in keeping with the holiday spirit, we are gifting the children of St. Peter and St. Joseph Children’s Home with hoodies and socks. Thanks to all of you who participated in the Angel Tree for St. PJ’s at the November meeting. Please remember to bring your gifts to the December 13 membership meeting at Anne Marie’s and plan to join the Board and Philanthropy Committee at St. PJ’s on Saturday, December 15, from 1:00 to 3:00 to celebrate the holiday with the children.

This is a busy time of year for all of us. In the midst of all of the holiday shopping, baking, and cooking, take a few minutes, put your feet up, close your eyes and . . . (I don’t know about you, but this is where I fall asleep!!). Seriously, take a few minutes and reflect on the reason for the holiday and how lucky we are to live in a country where we can celebrate the season as we wish.

Happy holidays to you and your family, and may the new year be kind to you.

Good Health,

Joyce Stuart

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Membership Meeting

Thursday, December 13, 2012

5:30 p.m.

Anne Marie's Catering, 12475 Starcrest

December Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 18, 2012

5:30 p.m.

Nix Health, 414 Navarro

EWI MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

Mission

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

- Promoting Member Firms
- Enhancing Personal and Professional Development
- Encouraging Community Involvement

Vision

To be the leading connection for business professionals

Representatives' Birthdays & Firm Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following firms in celebration of their December Anniversaries.

Purina Care Insurance Services

4 years

Best Wishes to the following representatives' in celebration of their January Birthdays.

Monica Garza	YMCA of Greater San Antonio	January 2
Amanda Stewart	Resources Global Professionals	January 10
Jan Bennett Steger	The University of Texas at San Antonio	January 11
Michelle Albrecht	Whataburger Restaurants, LP	January 15
Lila Cockrell	Honorary Member	January 19
Ronnette Pittman	Security Service Federal Credit Union	January 24
Patty Wilkins	Security Service Federal Credit Union	January 27
Mary Jane Diaz	Sustaining Member	January 27
Debbie Lazarine	YMCA of Greater San Antonio	January 29

Firm Tips of the Month

Submitted by H-E-B



Holiday Store Hours

Christmas Eve – 6 A.M - 8 P.M.

Christmas Day – Closed

New Year's Eve and New Year's Day – Regular store hours

2012 New products for making the Holidays Delicious

How do I ensure my turkey will be moist and flavorful? **H-E-B Basting Oil** to the rescue! This amazing new product combines grapeseed oil, canola oil, garlic, thyme and parsley. Generously massage the oil over the skin and inside the cavity of the turkey. Baste with more of this flavorful oil throughout the cooking process.

Left-over turkey? No problem, pick up a jar of **Cookwell & Co. Hatch Verde Tortilla Soup**. Simply pour the jar of zesty soup into a saucepan and add bite-sized pieces of turkey and gently warm. It completely transforms your leftovers into something distinctly different and super yummy.

Green Valley Ranch Fig & Sweet Onion Glaze is sweetened with agave and is delicious used as a marinade and brushed on pork tenderloin, ham, salmon, even prime rib. You can also pour over a block of cream cheese and serve as a dip. This gluten free versatile glaze is ideal for diabetics and calorie conscious gourmets.

All three of these new products are carried exclusively at H-E-B and are all natural. The basting oil is carried in all H-E-B stores. The Tortilla Soup and Fig Glaze are **only available** in H-E-B stores with a **Cooking Connection**. Visit our website to find the store nearest you! <http://www.heb.com/cooking-connections/cooking-connection.jsp?sectionId=sd31150009>

'Tis the season for Tamales!

Compliment your favorite tamale with one of our distinctive sauces available at any of our stores!

- H-E-B That Green Sauce
- H-E-B Corn Relish
- H-E-B Smoky Citrus Salsa
- H-E-B Roasted Taqueria Salsa
- H-E-B Tomato Garlic Salsa

Save Money:

Clip coupons in advance by visiting our link on HEB.com! <http://www.heb.com/weekly-ads/show-coupons.jsp>

Save \$.12/gallon gas until December 31 when purchased with a reloadable gift card! <http://www.heb.com/page/2012-fuel-promotion>

Don't Forget Your Reusable Bags!

The #1 strategy customers shared as a way to remember their reusable bags was to put them back into the car immediately after their last grocery trip and if possible, in the front seat!



CONNECTIONS | CAREERS | COMMUNITY

Saturday, December 15, 2012

1-3pm

EWI members, family and friends will be delivering presents, stockings and assorted holiday cookies to:

St. Peter – St. Joseph Children's Home
919 Mission Road, San Antonio, TX 78210
210-533-1203

St. PJ's will plan an activity for us to do with the children, and the Philanthropy Committee will host a cupcake decorating station for all to enjoy!

Gifts are needed for 100 children. The theme will be Hoodies and Socks, along with a personalized stocking for each child. Please fill the stocking with non-perishable, age-appropriate snacks and treats.

Please bring your wrapped hoodie, socks, and filled stockings to our December 13th meeting. Also please ensure you attach your Angel Tag to your present so we can make sure the correct child receives it. If you're unable to attend the meeting, you may also drop-off your gifts no later than Friday, December 14th at:

SSFCU, 5757 NW Loop 410 (ask for Ronnette Pittman)
Omni San Antonio Hotel, 9821 Colonnade Blvd. (ask for Stacey Crabb)
Enterprise Holdings, 1505 Harry Wurzbach (ask for Amanda Avendano)



SANTA NEEDS YOUR HELP

EWI of San Antonio

White Elephant Gift Exchange

WHAT: You are invited to participate in a unique version of the White Elephant Gift Exchange game

WHEN: EWI General Membership meeting on December 13th

DETAILS: Everyone is asked to bring a wrapped gift valued at no more than \$10

If you have any questions, please contact
Liana Greenberg, Program Director,
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New Member Representative

Firm: Rosenthal Pauerstein Sandoloski Agather, LLP

Representative: Lisa Chapa



Lisa Chapa has been with her firm for 5 years. As manager of the litigation department, she works directly with two executive partners, J.D. Pauerstein and Ralph A. Lopez. Lisa is the only paralegal assigned to the litigation department which includes six attorneys. Her duties consist of opening new matters, filing documents with various courts (supreme court, federal courts, district court, country court, justice of the peace courts and MDLs) ensuring that all deadlines, hearings and trials are properly calendared or set. She also answers and prepares discovery, works on briefs, pulls research, prepares for trial and also ensures that any staff members working with the litigation department/team are properly trained and aware of how their section runs.

Lisa is a San Antonio native and was raised by a terrific single father. She attended Brackenridge High School and is in the process of re-enrolling at Grantham University to complete a degree in Human Resources (life and deployments set her a little behind). After 18 years in the U.S. Army and three deployments, she decided it was time to hang up her combat boots and become a mother. She started the process to become a foster-to-adopt parent with the Children's Shelter of San Antonio in 2008. She was introduced to her son in 2009 and the adoption was finalized in 2010. She is now the single mother of a beautiful and brilliant five year old little boy who is the absolute joy of her life. In addition to her father, she also has two sisters, one brother, a half-sister, six nephews and three nieces.

Now that she is out of the Army, Lisa is an avid runner and likes to participate in various 5k events to support some of the San Antonio charities. She plays a lot of sports (soccer, basketball, baseball) with her son. During the summer they like to swim, fish and take camping trips with her family.

Lisa thanks Bobbi Lutz for asking her to join our chapter. She feels that Bobbi is an extraordinary lady and is someone that she has always held in high regards when it comes to integrity and true professionalism. For many years, Bobbi spoke to her co-workers about the many great things that EWI does and that is what convinced Lisa to join us.

As a member of EWI, Lisa hopes to develop many great friendships and in the process learn how she can give back to the community through the experiences of our extraordinary members.

One other interesting tidbit about Lisa is that she is marrow donor. She feels that we should all do our part to help those in need. Last year, she had the opportunity to donate marrow for an unknown recipient and found out a couple of months ago that the transplant was a success.

Welcome to EWI, Lisa! We are looking forward to getting to know you better!

A message from your Website Committee:

All representatives please check the EWI San Antonio website (www.ewisanantonio.org) and update any information that has changed on your page. If you are unable to upload your photo, please email the photo you would like posted to Rebecca Rabel at rrable@txbiomed.org.

Don't forget to go to your Facebook account and "like" EWI San Antonio so you receive the latest updates! We now have 32 representatives signed up on their Facebook accounts. Let us hear from you! If you have any trouble with that, please email our Facebook guru, Kelley Butler at Kelley@framegalleriesanantonio.com.

Cr er Believe Firm Night

Cr er Believe, large format print manufacturer, hosted the November Firm Night at its location. Owner, Susan Mossberger, along with Martha Millette, Vice President, Chase Bank, Annie M. Hudspeth, Lender Relations Specialist, SBA San Antonio District Office and Shennandoah Diaz, Branding & Communications Officer, 5th Gear Consulting, discussed the process of becoming a small business owner. The process can be fairly simple if documentation is organized. These individuals work together to ensure a smooth transition in becoming and growing a small business. What is key to being a successful small business owner is to reach out to support resources available in the community such as those who presented at the November Firm Night.

Longest Serving Representatives

A special thanks and Hats Off to our Top Ten Longest serving EWI Representatives.

10. Julie Lyssy - C.H. Guenther & Son, Inc. (14 years)
9. Patty Wilkins - Security Service Federal Credit Union (14 years)
8. Mary Padron - Security Service Federal Credit Union (15 years)
7. Margaret Woods - Nix Health (16 years)
6. Kathy Bishop - Zachry Holdings, Inc. (18 years)
5. Gloria Eastwood - H-E-B (18 years)
4. Lori Reed - Quadrangle Press, Inc. (21 years)
3. Kathy Beaman - Julian Gold (25 years)
2. Lynn Smasal - Ernst & Young LLP (30 years)
1. Jimmie Joffe - McMarr Properties, Inc. (34 years)

And a special recognition to two very active Sustaining Life Members, Betty Gavora - Life Member (46 years) and Leona Pappas - Life Member (54 years).

Our heartfelt thanks to you Ladies for your years of dedication and service to the San Antonio Chapter of EWI!! If you have not submitted your EWI trivia form for inclusion in our trivia column, please submit it to rmartinez@nixhealth.com.

November 23, 2012

Dear EWI Friends,

Thank you for remembering my husband, Hugh, with a contribution to the B/C/D/P scholarship fund. He, as well as I, had many friends and acquaintances in the chapter and enjoyed attending events with me, including several scholarship awards banquets.

The outpouring of cards, notes and prayers has made me realize once again just how special EWI is. I wish I could respond to each one of you individually, but please know that I cherish each note and will keep them all as reminders of the special relationships EWI has brought me.

Thank you again from me and my family.

With all best wishes to each one of you,

Barbara Johnson



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November Membership Meeting at Créer Believe

Submitted by Liana Greenberg, PurinaCare Insurance Services



Susan Mossberger and Les Singleton, Créer Believe



Kathy Beaman, Julian Gold, Mary Padron, Security Service Federal Credit Union, Melissa Pina, CPS Energy



Bobbye Scott, HOLT CAT, Bobbi Lutz, San Antonio Economic Development Foundation



Kelley Butler, The Frame Gallery, Patty Wilkins, Security Service Federal Credit Union, Mary Ellen Owen, Muzak



Susan Mossberger, Créer Believe, Debbie Saldana, HEB, Lori Hakspiel, Fralo's



Monica Garza, YMCA of Greater San Antonio, Patty Wilkins, Security Service Federal Credit Union, Vicki Chapman SWBC



Joyce Stuart, Nix Health and Linda Buck, Herff Travel



Norma Del Toro, Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc., the lucky winner of the monthly drawing.

2012-2013 Calendar Year at a Glance

<u>General Membership Meeting</u>	<u>Board Meeting</u>	<u>Topics/Conferences/Special Events</u>
	Nix Health 414 Navarro, 78205 5:30p.m.	
Thursday, October 18	Tuesday, October 23	Planning Session at Alamo Café, 14250 San Pedro
Thursday, November 15	Tuesday, November 20	Firm Night, Creer-Believe, 10919 Wurzbach
SECOND Thursday, December 13	Tuesday, December 18	Holiday Social and White Elephant Gift Exchange Anne Marie's Catering, 12475 Starcrest
Thursday, January 17	Tuesday, January 22	Social Media Night: Speaker Jody Newman Omni San Antonio Hotel at the Colonnade
Thursday, February 21	Tuesday, February 26	Community Garden Initiative: Suzanne Taranto Petroleum Club
Thursday, March 21	Tuesday, March 26	Pot Luck
Thursday, April 18	Tuesday, April 23	Executive Recognition Luncheon
Thursday, May 16	Tuesday, May 21	EWISP and ASIST Scholarship Banquet DoubleTree Hotel
Thursday, June 20	Thursday, June 25	Non-meeting fundraiser
Thursday, July 18	Tuesday, July 23	Reading Rally
Thursday, August 15	Tuesday, August 20	
Thursday, September 19	Friday, September 24	Chapter Board Installation DoubleTree Hotel

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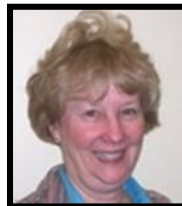
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