

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE



As June comes to an end, it’s hard to believe that Summer is here and everyone is busy making Summer plans, which is a nice change from last year. Our city seems to be busier and our economy greatly appreciates it. Not only is everyone scurrying about in Houston, EWI of Houston is busy the next few months and it’s exciting!

EWI of Corporate is running a Membership Incentive Program – Come Back to EWI. Program Director Carole Pitts and I are working together to send letters to the firms that have left EWI of Houston after April 1, 2020, and qualify to rejoin without the new member fee and keep their tenure.

Did you see the new Membership Challenge for EWI of Houston? Our organization is based around three core tenets: connections, careers, and community. EWI’s mission is to bring together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purpose of promoting member firms, enhancing personal and professional development, and encouraging community involvement. EWI’s vision is to enhance professional growth and development within a diverse group of women while empowering them to make a difference as they inspire others. Who would not want to be part of such a great empowering organization! Now is the time to invite those you feel would like to be a part of our organization. Why now, you ask?

1. If they join by September 24, 2021, you will get a \$50 gift card for each member that joins.
2. Thursday, August 12, 2021, would be the perfect monthly meeting for prospective members to attend and see what EWI of Houston really takes pride in – Our Executives, Scholarship, Literacy, and Philanthropy Programs!

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Who is excited as I am to honor and celebrate our Executives and Scholarship Recipients all together at Citadel Houston on August 12, 2021? EWI of Houston will have an auction and we are working with Qtego again. If for some reason you are unable to attend, you can still bid on our auction items and support our BCDP Philanthropic and Scholarship Programs! This is going to be such a special night themed Driven to Succeed. Not only are we honoring our Executives and Scholarship Recipients, we will also honor some of our representatives and member firms by handing out awards that we did not get to give in 2020. So please try your very best to be in attendance and invite the new prospective members you have in mind to see what makes EWI of Houston special and worth joining! If your firm or you would like to be a sponsor or donate an auction item, please reach out to Fundraising Director Shannon McNair.

“Success doesn’t come from what you do occasionally. It comes from what you do consistently.” – Unknown

Have you registered for LCAM in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and let Shari Schiffman know? It’s not too late! If you have never attended LCAM, I encourage you to do so. It is three full days of speakers with an Academy of Leadership program, professional development work shops, networking with EWI members from 39 other chapters, team building, an awards breakfast, literacy/scholarship luncheon, town hall, annual meeting, leadership caucus, and a gala. There are a few new things happening at LCAM this year:

All Chapter members are welcome and encouraged to attend the leadership caucus training. This is a great opportunity for anyone who would like to learn more about the core structure of EWI.

Saturday evening will be the Closing Gala and Casino Royal Event, so be sure to pack your cocktail attire!

[Click here](#) for everything you need to know about LCAM 2021!

As you can see, we are busy working on growing our Chapter, honoring our Executives, Member Firms, Members, and Scholarship Recipients. I hope to see you in July, but if not, then I can’t wait to see you in August!



Rebekah Wesley
Jackson & Company

CHAPTER DATES

MONTHLY MEETINGS

THURSDAY, JULY 8, 2021 - ELOISE NICHOLS, 2400 MID LANE, NO 100 (77027)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2021 - THE CITADEL, 12130 KIRBY DRIVE (77045)

SCHOLARSHIP AND EXECUTIVES' NIGHT GALA

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 - AVENIDA BRAZIL, 12350 SOUTHWEST FWY (77477)

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021- MAGGIANO'S, 2019 POST OAK BLVD (77056)

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021- LOCATION- TBA

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021- LOCATION- TBA

BOARD MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2021

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021 *FULL LEADERSHIP*

LCAM

SEPTEMBER 16-18, 2021- ALBUQUERQUE, NM

July

THURSDAY, JULY 8, 2021
 ELOISE NICHOLS

2400 MID LANE NO. 100
 HOUSTON, TEXAS 77027

6:00 PM NETWORKING
 6:30 PM DINNER

MENU

One Complimentary Glass of House Wine

APPETIZER FOR THE TABLE

Whipped Ricotta with Honey Apricot
 Chutney and Artisan Bread

SHRIMP & GRITS

Chile Broth
 Chorizo
 Fried Okra

CHICKEN SUPERFOOD BOWL

Brown Rice, Kale, Avocado,
 Almonds, Tomato, Cuke, Red
 Onion, and Miso Vinaigrette

BETSY'S PASTA WITH CHICKEN

Tomatoes, Pine Nuts,
 Garlic, and Basil

DESSERT FOR THE TABLE

Apple Fritters with Caramel

\$40 PER PERSON

Complimentary Self-Parking

RSVP'S (ACCEPTANCES, REGRETS, CANCELLATIONS) DUE BY FRIDAY, JULY 2, 2021

RSVP & Pay Online at www.ewihouston.org

Checks payable to EWI of Houston may be mailed to:

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SAVE THE DATE
Thursday, August 12, 2021
Citadel Houston | 5:30 PM
Dollars for Scholars Fundraiser

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**A Night Honoring Our Executives
& 2021 Scholarship Winners**

**DRIVEN
TO
SUCCEED**



A Thank You From EWI of Houston's 2021 ASIST Winner



Thank you!

Thank you for your wonderful words of encouragement and kindness you displayed toward me and my son, Aiden.

Thank you for propelling me into a future where through education, I will complete practical research on social structures, causes and solutions to curate effective practices that will bring impact to local and global communities.

"CULTIVATION TO THE MIND IS AS NECESSARY AS FOOD TO THE BODY."-CICERO





LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE & ANNUAL MEETING

September 16-18, 2021
Sheraton Uptown Albuquerque, NM

EWI's Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting (LCAM) is an annual professional development conference where members from our Chapters gather to connect, network and grow professionally through keynote speakers, workshops seminars, group discussions, and more. During LCAM, delegates also conduct the business of the organization during our annual meeting. We also hold social gatherings, Reading Rally events, recognize our members for their accomplishments, and learn new ideas.

**REGISTRATION
 SCHEDULE**



**CONFERENCE
 REGISTRATION**

- \$650 - Early Bird Ends June 30
- \$750 - Regular Registration Ends Sept 10

**LEADERSHIP CAUCUS
 REGISTRATION**

- \$200 - 1 Registration
- \$150 - 2 Registrations
- \$125 - 3 or More

All Chapter members are welcome and encouraged to attend Leadership Caucus Training. Chapters must contact the Corporate Office to register members for this programming and to receive the Value Pricing offered. Please call 262-269-5625 to complete your registration.



*Click above
 to register for
 LCAM!*





August

ELP Enterprises, Inc.	7 years
Sewell Automotive Companies	7 years



LaTonya Perez	August 2
Emelie Black	August 9
Elisa Garcia	August 12
Barbara Camino	August 13
Paula Mischer	August 16
Priscilla Massey	August 19
Carmen Nadolney	August 20
Carolyn Toriggino	August 23
Rebekah Wesley	August 27
Linda Petticrew	August 31





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Membership Challenge!

July 1, 2021 thru September 24, 2021

Email prospective member firms to anyone on
the Membership Committee listed below.

For *each* referred firm that becomes a member of EWI
(membership application submitted and membership fees paid),
earn a \$50 gift card at a very special presentation
at our October chapter meeting!

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- Natalie Young, VisitHOUSTON: nyoung@visithouston.com

**We challenge each one of you to be
driven to grow EWI of Houston!
Our Goal: 10 new member firms
by September 24th!**

Membership Report

Submitted by Carole Pitts, 2020-2021 Membership Director, representing John Daugherty, Realtors

Membership Status as of June 15, 2021

37	Member Firms	1	Life Member
41	Representatives	6	Honorary Members
2	Individual Members		
20	Sustaining Members ²		
Individual Members:	2		
Firms with 4 Representatives:	0		
Firms with 3 Representatives:	0		
Firms with 2 Representatives:	2		
Firms with 1 Representative:	39		
Firm with Rep Pending:	1		

Rep Resignations:

- Corporate Move Consulting, Inc., rep: Renee McNeil
- Sheraton Suites Houston near the Galleria, rep: Fay Clark
- Lockton Companies, rep: Rebecca Bartholomew

Welcome Our New (Returning) Member!

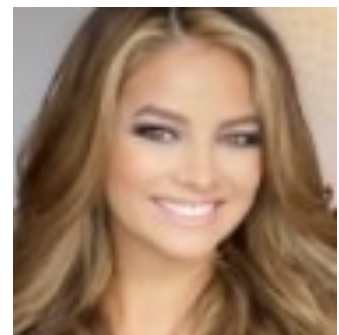
Submitted by Carole Pitts, representing John Daugherty, Realtors

Rejoining EWI of Houston and moving into the position of Senior Executive Assistant to Tommy Edwards, CIMA Energy LP’s President and Chief Operating Officer, is Emelie Black. Please help me welcome Emelie back to EWI.

For those of you who don’t know Emelie, she is a native Houstonian who attended Jersey Village High School, then the University of St. Thomas earning a Master’s Degree in Business with a Marketing Concentration.

Emelie calls herself a Foodie as she likes to try out new yummy restaurants as well as traveling anywhere and everywhere. She likes to work out, and she loves her fur baby, a Bichon Frise named Carli Rose.

Emelie says that she is happy to be a part of the EWI family again and is honored to be back at it!



June Meeting Recap

Submitted by Margo Faulkner, representing Sewell Automotive Companies



EWI of Houston met on June 10th at the Omni Houston Hotel. This was an exciting meeting as we heard from Dress for Success and supported them with our purse, shoe, and monetary donations. We held a business meeting as well as honored our past presidents.

LaTonya Perez, Individual Member, with Dress for Success representatives



Above: Marji Zamora, representing Speedy Printing—Katy Freeway
 Left: Patricia Massey, Sustaining Member



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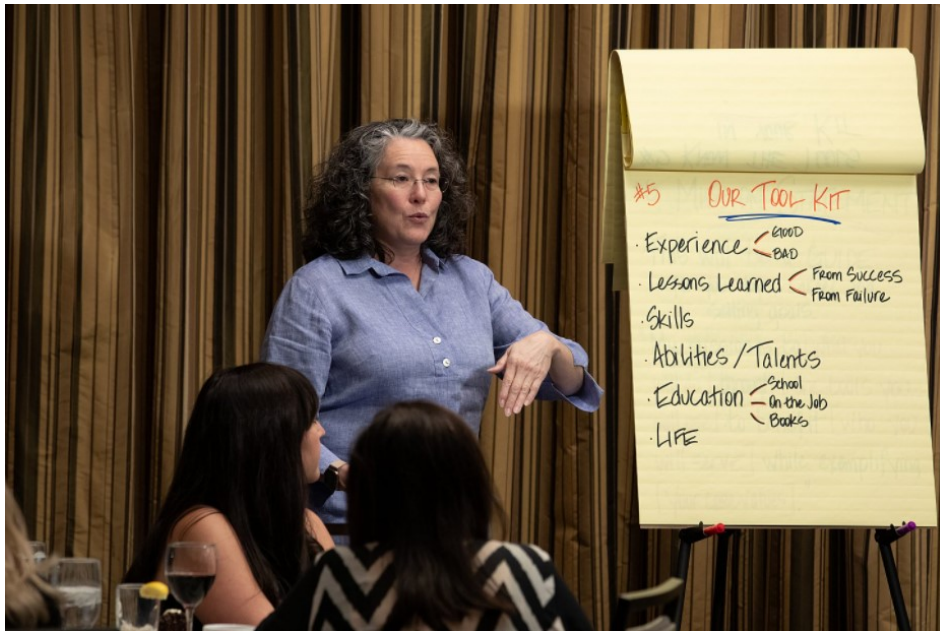


EWI of Houston June Monthly Meeting enjoying a delicious dinner and reconnecting with fellow members in one of the many beautiful spaces in the Omni Hotel Houston



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Professional development speaker, Lisa Anhauser, informed and inspired with her presentation “Keys to Creating Your Personal Mission Statement”

Past Presidents honored included:

- Marji Zamora (2018)
- Rebekah Wesley (2019)
- Donna Gurney (2017)
- Kori Peters (2014)
- Delynn Walker (2012)
- Priscilla Massey (2008)
- Linda Petticrew (2016)
- Kay Bart (2003)
- Carolyn Noack (2015)



Firm Spotlight

Submitted by Naseeka Cox, representing Martha Turner Sotheby's International Realty



Established in 1981, our company of top producers has been consistently recognized as Houston's premier real estate brokerage. In 2014, we joined forces with Sotheby's International Realty. The mission at Martha Turner Sotheby's International Realty is to provide real estate excellence to our clients, customers, agents and all other real estate professionals. Our objective is to obtain the best possible result for every client in a timely, efficient, helpful and expert manner. Honesty, integrity, dedication, communication, team spirit, a strong work ethic and market knowledge are the valued qualities that Martha Turner Sotheby's International Realty sales associates must exhibit and embrace.

Our mission of MTSIR is to provide real estate excellence to our clients, customers, agents and all other real estate professionals. MTSIR stands for a quality of service, not a price point. Sellers in all price categories turn to us for our local expertise, precise evaluations and far reaching marketing opportunities. We provide million dollar marketing and service at all price points. MTSIR is a Houston - based residential real estate company whose local, national and global marketing strength, an all-important factor in attracting qualified Buyers, cannot be matched. The two legendary brands of Martha Turner and Sotheby's are synonymous with quality and expertise. MTSIR is a company of top producing agents and outstanding staff who embody the highest level of professionalism. The objective is to ensure our clients and properties receive the attention and support they deserve throughout the real estate transaction. We are committed to and known for excellence, innovation, creative leadership and unparalleled standards of honesty and integrity in conducting business. The expertise and skill, combined with the one-of-a-kind resources, are powerful advantages that set our company apart.

While real estate by nature is local, today the market for property is national and global. This is where we offer tremendous advantages. Our connections to the most respected and successful real estate experts all over the world provide a level of global reach that is unparalleled in the industry. Premier partnerships with the world's top media, in print and online, allows us to align our listings with relevant media partners on prominent, highly visible platforms. In an increasingly online and international marketplace, a recognized name is a powerful advantage. MTSIR has a proven track record as the market leader in the Greater City of Houston. Being successful at our company requires knowledge, skill and a commitment to providing the best possible service to all with and for whom we work. Our team offers complete accountability throughout the real estate transaction. We are proud to be known as The Company of Top Producers. And finally, Martha Turner has always insisted on the importance of a positive attitude and enthusiasm in the agents that join the company. Knowing this to be a vital part of success and great client service, we remember this simple truth: If we are not fired with enthusiasm, we can be fired...with enthusiasm!



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EWI of Houston Vision Statement

EWI of Houston aspires to be the premier business organization of choice for member firms and their key individuals. Recognized by the Houston community as an avenue to achieve personal and professional excellence, every activity of the Houston Chapter will fulfill at least one of the objectives of the EWI Mission Statement.

Our Mission

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 Strategic Goals

- To strengthen, expand, and broaden membership.
- To provide member firms with meaningful benefits.
- To actively promote education for all representatives.
- To achieve a high level of community visibility through service.

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.

EWI of Houston Connect Newsletter

**Feature your firm in a monthly Firm Spotlight!
Have news? Share it in the Connect Newsletter!**

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Submission deadline: 3rd Friday of each month.

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