

January, 2020



## Letter from President

Happy New Year!

We are so excited to start off the New Year with two new members! Please welcome firm members Anne-Marie Howie, [Essential Power Inc.](#) and Nhu Gaudet, [Cooperators Insurance](#) to EWI of Saskatoon.

I hope you had a chance to view the new *MyEWI* on the corporate site <https://ewiconnect.com/>.

Our new members will be invited soon. You use the same username and log in from when you first signed up. There is a short webinar if you want to know what is offered and how to get around the site. Once logged in, enter the title: *Webinar – MyEWI Community* into the search function on the home page and it will come up.

My favorite addition is the use of Communities. You can click on the Communities tab along the top menu bar and see the available discussion groups set up to join. For example, if you want ideas on chapter fundraising, you can sign up for that discussion group and get emails when those groups are chatting and join in!

Speaking of fundraising, our annual steak night is coming up on March 6<sup>th</sup> at the Henk Ruys Soccer Centre. We will be looking for silent auction items. If you or your company is able to donate an item, that would be greatly appreciated! We can provide a letter for your employer or for your personal files. Ticket sales will begin soon so please be on the lookout for messages about that. It was a lot of fun last year and raised about \$2,000 for our ASIST fund.

The changes our website are complete. You will notice that we narrowed our focus a bit, providing a clear message about who we are, what we can do for people, and how they join. I encourage you to check it out and promote our site to those who are interested in joining.

Since we are a driven group, probably many of you have written goals for this year. Remember, research says when you write down a goal, the odds of success are doubled. When you write it down and tell someone, the likelihood of achieving your goal increases to 85%. So, take a few minutes, grab an EWI buddy or a co-worker, and let them know what you would like to accomplish this year. Have a wonderful year!

*Michelle Busa*

**Michelle Busa**  
Chapter President

Are you ready for a challenge??  
How many guests can you bring??  
Over the next 12 months, the ember who has the most referrals  
that join EWI, will win cold, hard cash!

**\$ 250 !!**



*The winner will be awarded at our EWI December 2020 Dinner meeting.  
In the case of a tie, the prize money will be split equally between winners.*

- 2019-2020 Officers & Directors**
- President**  
Michelle Busa, READ Saskatoon
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- ASIST Director**  
Joy Crawford, Individual Member
- Advisor**  
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## January Meeting – Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>

You don't want to miss this very special CHARITY NIGHT meeting! We will be gathering at the Queen's House Retreat to work in their kitchen preparing soup for 250 homeless citizens.

Join us for a fun night of team building while we slice and dice up ingredients! A couple of things to note:

- **Doors open at 5:45pm**
- **Start Time is 6:00pm**
- Soup making will commence after a light snack, a glass of wine and following a short and informative presentation from the recipient shelter representative & Soup Sisters
- **SPACE IS LIMITED** for this meeting so register early!
- Bring your own apron and wear comfortable shoes as we will be standing most of the night.
- Feel free to bring your favorite kitchen knife
- **We will be eating at the end of the night, around 7pm. Soup, Salad and Wine**
- Soup Sisters Cookbooks and Aprons will be available for purchase if you wish to support them further



### **Directions: 601 Taylor Street West**

Head West to the very end of Taylor St. Queen's House Retreat Centre is located on your right as soon as you clear the overpass. **Free parking is available on the East and West sides of the Building.**

Respectfully Submitted,

**Karen**

Karen Skirten, 2019-2020 Program Director



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**JOIN US!**  
**Wednesday, 19 February**



SASKATOON FIRE DEPARTMENT

PROUD TO SERVE SASKATOON



***“EWI, the Sizzle Your Life”***

**BBQ Chicken & Rib Dinner**

Join us to to hear Saskatoon Fire Department **Chief Morgan Hackl** share the latest news from the Department and learn how EWI can add some sizzle in both your personal & professional life!

**Connections, Careers,  
Community**

**DINNER MEETING**

@ The Willows  
382 Cartwright St.

- 5:00—Drinks & Networking
- 6:00—Dinner
- 6:45—Program
- 7:30pm—Adjourn Meeting

Cost:

\$45/Members  
\$50/Guest

**Register by February 14th  
at [ewiofsaskatoon.ca](http://ewiofsaskatoon.ca)**

**Guests Welcome**



## Our Year Ahead



20-Nov-19

11-Dec-19

**Venue:** Delta by Marriott  
**Speaker:** Amanda Perrot, Grounded Goodness  
**Topic:** Her Story  
**Meal:** Scandinavian Buffet (Meatballs &/Or Salmon)

**NOTE: This is the 2nd Wed.**  
**Theme:** Christmas  
**Venue:** The Barn at Winds Edge  
**Speaker:** Rebecca Simpson, The Barn  
**Topic:** The First Year  
**Activity:** \$5.00 Ornament Exchange  
**Meal:** TBD

20-Jan-20

19-Feb-20

18-Mar-20

**NOTE: This is a Monday Nite!**  
**Theme:** Charity Nite  
**Venue:** Queen's House Retreat  
**Activity:** Making soup with Soup Sisters for the Homeless  
**Meal:** Appetizer, Salad, Soup, Glass of Wine

**Theme:** EWI...The Sizzle in Your Life.  
**Venue:** Willows Golf & Country Club  
**Speaker:** Morgan Hackl, Saskatoon Fire Chief  
**Meal:** BBQ Chicken & Rib Buffet

**Theme:** Literacy/St.Pats  
**Venue:** Winston's Pub Private Room  
**Speaker:** Jon Bath, UofS  
**Topic:** Why Does a Book Look Like a Book?  
**Meal:** Choice of Meatloaf, Lamb Stew or Fish & Chips

15-Apr-20

20-May-20

17-Jun-20

**Theme:** Marketing You!  
**Venue:** Manos Restaurant Private Room  
**Speaker:** Rosemary Stephenson  
**Topic:** How to Maximize your LinkedIn Profile  
**Meal:** Set menu with choice of entrée (TBD)

**Theme:** Spring!  
**Venue:** Solar Gardens  
**Speaker:** Sherry Buziak (TBC)  
**Topic:** Power of Promotional Goods  
**Meal:** Oven Baked Personal Pizzas

**Theme:** Marketing/Business Meeting  
**Venue:** Hillcrest  
**Speaker:** Preston Ciccione, William Joseph Communications  
**Meal:** Buffet (TBD)

Jul-20

19-Aug-20

16-Sep-20

No meeting this month!

**Theme:** Chapter Fundraiser  
**Venue:** Prairie Lily Dinner Cruise.  
 Boarding at 6pm, return by 8pm  
**Meal:** Served 3 Course  
**Family Members Welcome!**

**Theme:** "Members WANTED! - EWI Open House  
**Venue:** Park Town Hotel South Dining Room  
**Speaker:** Troy Cooper, Chief of Police  
**Meal:** Served Three Course meal with Chicken Supreme Entree

21-Oct-20

18-Nov-20

**Theme:** Board Installation  
**Venue:** Crossmount (TBC)  
**Speaker:** Barb Crowe, Ixtapa Travel  
**Topic:** Travel Safety for Women  
**Meal:** Buffet (TBD)

**Theme:** Business Meeting  
**Venue:** Saskatoon Inn (TBC)  
**Speaker:** Virginia Wilson, UofS  
**Topic:** Improving Decision Making  
**Meal:** Plated (TBD)

**Friendly Reminder:**  
 To remain a member in good standing you must attend at least 7/10 meetins per year (Oct - Sep)