

Saskatoon ewiConnect

January, 2025



President's Message

Dear Members,

Happy New Year! As we embark on this fresh chapter of 2025, I am filled with gratitude, hope, and excitement for the journey ahead. The start of a new year invites reflection and renewal, and I can think of no better way to frame our collective mindset than with this year's chapter theme: **"You're a GEM!"**

Just as gemstones are precious, rare, and uniquely beautiful, so are each of you. Our members are the heart and soul of EWI, and your unique talents, resilience, and unwavering commitment make this organization shine brighter every day. This year, I invite each of us to recognize the brilliance within ourselves and in one another.

G - Growth is at the heart of everything we do at EWI. Whether it's through our professional development programs, mentorship opportunities, or community impact initiatives, growth is a constant goal. This year, I encourage each of you to seek growth in new ways. Take that course, pursue that promotion, or step into that leadership role you've been considering. Growth requires courage, but just like a gemstone's journey from rough to refined, the results are worth it.

E - Empowerment is not just a concept—it's a call to action. At EWI, we empower each other by sharing knowledge, offering support, and amplifying one another's voices. This year let's double down on empowerment. Lift each other up, be an ally for your fellow members, and remember that empowered women empower the world.

M - Momentum propels us forward. The progress we make, no matter how small, compounds over time. Let's harness the momentum of our past achievements to drive us toward even greater success in 2025. Together, we've built something extraordinary, and together, we'll continue to move forward with purpose.

As we set our intentions for the year, I challenge each of you to reflect on how you can be a "GEM" for yourself and for others. What growth will you pursue? How will you empower those around you? And how will you build and sustain your momentum?

To our newest members, welcome! You are already an essential part of our community, and we're so glad you're here. To our long-standing members, thank you for being the foundation upon which our brilliance is built.



As we navigate 2025 together, remember this: You are seen, you are valued, and **you are a GEM!** Let's shine brightly this year, as only a united network of extraordinary women can.

With gratitude and anticipation for all that's ahead,

Deb Brown, C.Mgr., Business Development Consultant
Farm Business Consultants

"Shine bright because the world needs your light!"

You're A Gem!

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Please Join Us!
If you would like to assist in a board position, please reach out to any board member.

Wednesday,
January 15th

Dinner Meeting

Register by
10Jan25



CYBER SECURITY

Please join us for an informative evening with our Member Firm SaskTel as they share tips on how to keep your data & personal information safe!

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Wednesday, January 15

AGENDA

5:00pm Networking
6:00pm Welcome
6:15pm Dinner
6:45pm SaskTel
7:15pm Announcements & 50/50 Draw
7:30pm Close

David's Restaurant & Lounge

Private Room
294 Venture Cres.

Menu:

Soup or Salad
Choice of Veal Cordon Bleu, Greek
Chicken or Steak Sandwich
Full Bar Service Available

Cost: \$45.00 Member,
\$50.00 Guests

Register at www.ewiofsaskatoon.ca

2024/25 Sister's Challenge

Current Standings



TEAM #	Big Sister	L'il Sister	TOTAL
1	Cara Mazurak	Lori McInnis	
2	Susan McDonald	Karen Pallibroda	7
3	Char Weightman	Joanne Jestin	
4	Nhu Gaudet	Darla Brown	
5	Fran Seidler	Ashley Bernauer	5
6	Susan Mowat	Shauntelle Cox	7
7	Darlene Biggins	Barb Wohlford	7
8	Tracey Fesiuk	Ricci De Cecco	
9	Jennelle Wignes-Haaland	Brenda Dyer	
10	Karen Skirten	Sheila Buhr	7
11	Rhonda Adair	Myra Kirk	5
12	Debbie Brown	Lori Riopel	5

Our January Challenge & Bonus is....

- ⇒ Each sister should register and attend the Corporate Webinar on January 22nd at 12:00pm (registration link on page 4)
- ⇒ BONUS Points will be awarded to all teams who bring at least one guest to our January 15th dinner meeting (between the two of you)

Welcome to Myra Kirk, our newest Member!

The Chapter had the pleasure of first meeting Myra when she was a Guest Speaker . We have since gotten to know her more at a few of our dinner meetings including our September Blanket Ceremony event.

We are thrilled to have you as a member in EWI of Saskatoon Myra! Myra is with member firm Realty Executive.

Welcome!



EWI of Saskatoon celebrated in style at the December Holiday Dinner!

Bonus points were awarded to the following teams for dressing alike:



Well Done Everyone!

EWI Corporate Webinar

January 22nd
at 12pm CST



Are you ready to redefine self-care and discover sustainable strategies for success? Join us for an inspiring and practical masterclass led by Krysta Pogge, a certified coach and former Big4 senior manager with extensive experience in high-performance corporate cultures.

With a background in public accounting at PwC and KPMG, Krysta understands the demands of corporate life and is passionate about empowering women to thrive both professionally and personally. Through her holistic approach to coaching, she will guide you to build a self-care practice that fits your life - no matter how busy you are!

Webinar Details: Topic: Master the Art of Self-Care **Speaker:** Krysta Pogge, Certified Coach & Former Big4 Senior Manager **Date:** January 22, 2024 **Time:** 12pm CST

In this session, you will:

- • Uncover what self-care truly means.
- • Bust common myths that hold you back.
- • Explore effective strategies that actually work.
- • Learn to seamlessly incorporate self-care into your routine.
- • Create a personalized plan to support your well-being.

This is your opportunity to benefit from Krysta's expertise in leadership development, stress management, and work-life balance, helping you achieve lasting success and fulfillment.

Reserve Your Spot Today!

This masterclass is open to all EWI members. Whether you're striving for better work-life balance, seeking leadership development, or just need a fresh perspective on stress management, this session is for you.

Make self-care your superpower! We can't wait to see you there.



EWI of Saskatoon has two great opportunities for
Leadership Development available on the Board...

Program Director & Fundraising Chair

"She profits most who serves best" - Lucille Johnson Perkins, Founder

Community

2023-24 Chapter Awards Congratulations to our Winners!



Executive of the Year - Patrick Hill, Hillcrest Memorial

Representative of the Year - Nhu Gaudet, O'Reilly Insurance & Financial

Rookie of the Year - Ricci De Cecco, Ricci De Cecco Doula Services

Our Sincere Thanks for all You Do!

Chapter Bulletin Board

Our chapter is looking for a:

- ◆ Program Director,
- ◆ A Fundraising Chair
- ◆ & Volunteers for our Steak Night (Apr 11th) Committee.



Karen from MOBO is looking for a Business Development Representative with minimum 2 years in B2B sales. If you know of anyone please send them my way! karen@mobopro.com

Did you know?

Each year, the Corporate President of EWI sets a theme for the year.

This is the theme that President Marji Zamora set for this year. Upon her sad death right after LCAM, VP-President Elect Kathy Scott, who stepped into the Presidency, has chosen to continue with in honor of Marji and her vision for 2024-25.

Likewise, Chapter President's set a theme for their year, and our President Debbie has chosen an amazing one for us as she shared in her message.

“You’re A Gem!”

Members,

Please feel free to send me any notices, announcements or events you would like to share with your fellow chapter members!

Thanks!

Karen Skirten, Communications Director

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Deadline is the 25th of the month.

