



A Word from our Chapter President

Thank you to all who attended our meeting July 13 at WEDU. We enjoyed the evening from the 'meet and greet' and wine tasting, to the

delicious dinner provided by Alessi. We ended the evening with a fun 'brown bag' auction. We have very creative ladies amongst us. We collected \$133 plus a donation of \$40 bringing the total to \$173.

My special thank you to Phyllis Corr for coordinating our event, Leah Brainard for hosting it at her WEDU office, Marilyn Westropp representing Alessi and Charles Visalli representing A Time for Wine.

Our next meeting will be August 10 at Yale Lift Trucks. We will focus on "Board Education Training." Our goal is to promote understanding of the officer's roles and responsibilities which will help take the fear out of saying "YES" when approached about volunteering for a board position.

It's not too late to sign up for LCAM because early bird pricing extends to August 8. If you plan to attend please register before the early bird pricing expires to save money. I'm very excited about LCAM this year, my third time to attend. I'm looking forward to seeing friends from other chapters and ready to soak in more training and ideas from other members.

Planting Seeds....Growing New Leaders....Inspiring Others is my hope for the future of our Tampa Bay Chapter.

Remember we are in the 'hurricane' season; please be as prepared as possible. Hopefully, the Tampa Bay area will be spared from strong storms this year.

Keep Thinking Positive!!

Bonnie

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"Move out of your comfort zone. You can only grow if you are willing to feel awkward and uncomfortable when you try something new."

~ Brian Tracy

July Chapter Meeting:

July's meeting was a combination of fundraiser (brown bag auction) and team building (wine tasting) partnered with good food from Alessi Bakeries. Marilyn Westropp from Alessi's also visited and enjoyed the camaraderie with chapter members.



Interesting assortment of brown bags



Charles Visalli, A Time for Wine

Attendees sampled several varieties of wine after a lively explanation about the history of grapes, various countries, cultures and wine terminology. Charles is a partner with **A Time for Wine**. Their wines are produced by small family owned wineries located throughout Europe and the U.S. whose production is too small to be mass marketed. Their products are exclusive and moderately priced, can be personalized with private labeling and they can accommodate both residential and corporate clients in a personal setting versus a noisy storefront. For more information call Charles at 813.664.1430.

Members brought uniquely decorated bags indicating hints of the hidden contents for silent auctioning. Wine was definitely a catalyst for the increasing funds on a few of the curiously decorated bags.

August Chapter Meeting:

As usual, our monthly meeting is the second Wednesday of each month - *Wednesday, August 10.*

Time: 5:30 PM Social
6:00 PM Informal Dinner
6:30 PM Meeting Begins

Location: **Yale Lift Trucks of FL and GA**
2230 North Highway 301
813-621-4671

RSVP click here: [Carol Talone](#)



Got Yours?

Get it August 10th!


Corporate News:


Log-in here for professional development webinars offered by corporate - upcoming and past!

<http://www.ewiconnect.com>

September 22-24, 2011 64th LCAM

Location: Minneapolis, MN

 **Registration:** \$615 (Early Bird Price until August 8)

 **Hotel:** Hyatt Regency
Minneapolis
1300 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Phone: 888.421.1442
(Identify you are with Executive Women International – EWI)
[Online Room Reservations](#)

First time LCAM Attendee? This Opportunity is for You!

Applications are now being accepted for the 2011 First Time LCAM Attendee Award. This award is sponsored by the Past Corporate Presidents for an EWI representative in good standing who is attending the EWI Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting (LCAM) for the *first* time. Eligible representatives in good standing are those who have paid their dues in full and are either active members of their respective EWI Chapters or are Members-At-Large.

 **Memo and Application (PDF)**

Firm Updates:

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Read about Carla's brokers' pastime. [Beauty in the eye of the organic gardener](#)



Jeanette Yates

Good of the Order

Congratulations to Grandma Carol!! Tripp Werner Howard was born three weeks early on June 26 and weighed in at 7 pounds and 14 ounces. Reports are that Jennifer and Tripp are doing great.

Wishing Vicki well as she has her second foot surgery on July 28 and quick healing during the two week recuperation period.

Marilynn and Steve Madson are vacationing in Italy.

Linda Helton's son is returning to Afghanistan on August 8.

Bonnie will be attending her 45th high school reunion in Wisconsin this summer.

Support a sister chapter and take a chance at winning a cruise for two!

EWI of San Diego FUN-Raiser

Friday, Sept. 16, 2011
5:30pm-Check In & Networking

"Cruise for a Cause"

aboard the William D. Evans
Docked at the Catamaran Resort Hotel & Spa



Silent Auction, Fabulous Food & Entertainment
as we cruise around San Diego's Mission Bay!

Plus an Amazing Opportunity Drawing

Purchase an Opportunity Ticket for a chance to win a cruise for 2 for up to 10-Days aboard



Opportunity tickets are available for \$20.00 each or 7 for \$100.00 Contact Fundraising to purchase tickets @ LNavarro@ironclad.com

Event Tickets: \$45-Active Members & Guests (\$320 for a Table of Eight)
RSVP@ewisandiego.com

Contact the Sergeant-at-Arms**Gracia Hinesh
619. 266-2931 | rsvp@ewisandiego.com

RSVP/Cancellation Req - \$45-Members & Guests; \$40- Sustaining & Life Members RSVP to SAA before reservation deadline if you will not attend.
Reservation deadline: Friday, Sept. 9, by 10:00 a.m.

CHAPTER CALENDAR:

August 10
Chapter Meeting
Yale Lift Trucks

August 16
Board Meeting
HOK Office

September 14
Business Meeting
KPMG Office

September – tbd
Board Meeting

August Birthday:

22 Terry Lundquist

September Birthday:

06 Marla Mancini

25 Oni Hess

28 Melissa Gross