# Des Moines Connect

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#### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I begin the process of passing the torch on to Deb Longseth, your President for 2019-2020, there has been a struggle with members making the commitment to either chair a committee or say, "Yes," to a Board

position. The best way to enhance this chapter is for all of us (newbies and oldies) to work together to create an atmosphere of sisterhood that will continue to thrive. This chapter is only as great as you make it.



The time you invest in EWI Des Moines as a Committee Chair or Board Member, pales in comparison to the reward and growth that you will receive by participating. Belonging to a great organization, such as ours, continually needs to be fed with the desire and ambition of its members to grow and recruit new members. Jumping in with an "I Can!" attitude is the way to exemplify your commitment

to the Chapter. By including our newest members in these roles, our Chapter grows stronger with the bond of engaging in a journey together.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Helen Keller

This month our Wish List is for Des Moines Catholic Charities. In a world of uncertainty, Des Moines Catholic Charities believes a family deserves a safe home (see page 3 for a list of their needs).

Thanks to Deb Longseth and Syverson Strege for hosting our August meeting. It is always great to enjoy their facility. Who knew such a great organization as Days for Girls existed? Something that we take for granted, creates a life-changing event for others. A big thank you to Nancy Cook for introducing us to Marg

and Sherry who shared their passion for this organization. If you want to contribute or learn more, go to www.daysforgirls.org.

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September Birthdays

Please join us at September Executive Night which will be held at The River Center on September 9th. I look forward to a fun-filled evening with you and your executives along with our scholarship recipients. Tiffany Tauscheck will be our featured speaker. Executive Night registration is open. Make sure to choose your entrée and send a check for \$60 to Laura Montgomery at Hubbell Realty, 6900 Westown Parkway, West Des Moines, IA 50266, prior to the meeting date.

In gratitude,

#### Marla Wylie

Chapter President, Representing Delta Dental of Iowa



07/24/19

Dana Brown, Director of Norwoodville Community Senior Center—Recipient of Donations from our July, 2019 Connect Wish List



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#### **AUGUST 2019 BOARD MEETING RECAP**

- Reviewed board reports
- Approved July 1, 2019 minutes
- Approved treasurer's report through July 25, 2019
- Approval of current check requests
- Approved Kelly Betts as LCAM delegate for 2019 conference
- Update from B & J Nuts
- Presentation by Days for Girls organization





#### **Baby Items**

All of our programs have need of baby diapers, wipes and formula. If you are interested in donating these items, contact Leslie Van Der Molen at (515) 237-5025 or lvandermolen@catholiccharitiesdsm.org

#### **Furniture & Housewares**

If you are interested in donating materials for refugee apartments, please contact Sinishaw at (515)393-5231

#### <u>Household Items</u> Amazon Wish List

A great way to help our programs is to shop our Amazon Wish List! It ships directly to Catholic Charities and monitors the specific items and quantities that we need for the year.

#### **Food**

#### **Stock the Shelves**

Take up a collection of food to support the Catholic Charities Food Pantry. Contact staff at (515) 262-7290

#### **Stock the Kitchen**

- Refugee Family Kitchen—Each family that enters our resettlement program is provided with temporary housing that includes a basically stocked kitchen. Contact Sinishaw at (515) 393-5231.
- Domestic Violence Shelter—Women at our Council Bluffs shelter prepare their own meals to feed themselves and their children. Groceries are needed on a regular basis. Contact Linda at (712) 256-2059 or lrbicheau@catholiccharitiesdsm.org

#### **Provide a Meal**

Emergency Family Shelter—We feed all the guests at the shelter 365 days a year. We offer an after-school healthy snack time, as well as dinner for up to 30 people. We have options of preparing on-site, delivering a meal and donating funds to purchase a meal.

Contact staff at (515) 282-1235.



## **EWI DES MOINES CHAPTER — September 2019 MEETING**

Date:	Monday, September 9, 20	19		
Program Location:	The River Center 340 SW 3rd Street Des Moines, IA 50309	340 SW 3rd Street		
Parking:	Free 2-hour parking in Lo	Free 2-hour parking in Lot B with validation		
Schedule:	4:15 p.m.—5:15 p.m. 5:15 p.m.—5:45 p.m. 5:45 p.m.—6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m.—7:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	Board Meeting in Mezzanine Guest Arrival, Bar Open, Cocktail Hour Welcome Remarks Dinner Presentation of Scholarships,		
	7:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m.	Executive of the Year Award Bar Closes Speaker—Tiffany Tauscheck		
Menu:	<ul> <li>Grilled Peach Caprese</li> <li>6 oz. Skuna Bay Salmo OR</li> <li>Bell &amp; Evans Airline O Bacon &amp; Vermont Che</li> <li>Root Vegetable Gratin</li> <li>Haricot Verts with Cri</li> <li>Assorted Ciabatta Roll</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Grilled Peach Caprese Salad with Balsamic Reduction</li> <li>6 oz. Skuna Bay Salmon Filet with Lemon Caper White Wine Sauce OR</li> <li>Bell &amp; Evans Airline Chicken Breast Wrapped in Berkwood Farms Bacon &amp; Vermont Cheddar</li> <li>Root Vegetable Gratin</li> </ul>		
Cost:	\$60.00			
Dinner Reservation Deadline:	Reservation deadline is <b>August 26, 2019.</b> Please remember that all Representatives MUST register online at: http://www.ewidsm.org			
	Representatives paying monthly or quarterly <b>MUST</b> complete the form (on the next page) and mail it along with your check to Laura Montgomery by the reservation deadline.  Cancellation Policy: If you have registered but are unable to attend, you MUST notify Laura before the reservation deadline in order to receive a refund or credit. Please make checks payable to EWI.  Laura Montgomery - Treasurer Hubbell Realty Company 6900 Westown Pkwy West Des Moines, IA 50266			
Questions? Call 515-221-6687 or email— <u>laura.montgomer</u>		7 or email— <u>laura.montgomery@hubbellrealty.com</u>		

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# EWI OF DES MOINES 2019 MONTHLY DINNER FEE STATEMENT

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#### 3. PAYMENT DETAILS:

4th Quarter \$90

**Executive Night \$60 (September 9, 2019** 

 Quarterly and Monthly payment options must be mailed or given to our Laura Montgomery (Hubbell Realty Company - 6900 Westown Pkwy, West Des Moines, IA 50266)

The Annual payment option must be paid by Friday, December 28, 2018 and sent to Laura Montgomery - Treasurer (Hubbell Realty Company - 6900 Westown Pkwy, West Des Moines, IA 50266).

#### ALL CHECKS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO: EWI

**Monthly \$30** – Send to Treasurer, Laura Montgomery each month.

#### 4. DISCLAIMERS:

No refunds are provided.

The above fees do not include the September Executive Night Dinner; that event will be invoiced separately.

#### 5. RSVPS and RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Please remember that all Representatives MUST register online at <a href="http://www.ewidsm.org">http://www.ewidsm.org</a>.
- Representatives paying monthly or quarterly MUST complete the monthly form from the newsletter and mail it along with your check to Laura Montgomery by the reservation deadline.
- Representatives bringing a guest MUST register the guest online and mail the payment to Laura Montgomery by the reservation deadline.
- Cancellation Policy: If you have registered but are unable to attend, you MUST notify Laura Montgomery before the reservation deadline in order to receive a refund or credit.
- Even if you pay annually, you will need to RSVP online. If you do not register online, you may not be counted. If you choose the annual or quarterly payment option, even if you cancel in advance, there will be no transfer of the meal to another member and no credit will be issued.



# 2019 LUNCH BUNCH 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH WEST DES MOINES & DOWNTOWN LOCATIONS



Date 11:30 am	West Des Moines	Downtown
September 17	Bravo 120 S. Jordan Creek Parkway, WDM 225-0660	MALO 900 Mulberry Street, D.M. 244-5000
October 15	Urban Grill 3651- 86 <sup>th</sup> Street, Urbandale 278-1016	Dumpling Darling 212 E. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street, D.M. 283-2000
November 19	Waterfront 2900 University Avenue, WDM 223-5106	Centro 1003 Locust St., D.M. 248-1780
December 17 Club Car 13435 University Avenue, Clive 226-1729		Court Avenue Brewing Company 309 Court Avenue, D.M. 282-2739

#### **Reminder:**

Feel free to bring a friend or co-worker along. They might see how much fun we are and decide they want to be part of our group as an EWI member!



RESERVATION FORM				
Firm:				
Representatives:				
Guests:				











September 16	Molli Davis	Greater Des Moines Partnership
September 21	Michelle Cook	FBL Financial Group, Inc. Farm Bureau Life Ins. Co.
September 23	Lena Rocha	Chapter Life Member
September 29	Gloria Criswell	Sustaining Member