

## Letter from President

September means back-to-school, holidays coming, first cold fronts, and a little relief from the heat. In South Texas, we look forward to having a little crispness in



the air and a chance to wear our boots. It's hard to think about it right now because it is 92 degrees and muggy today, but Fall is just around the corner. And speaking of just around the corner, we are winding down our 2013-2014 year for EWI.

September means voting on a new slate of officers, plans for the changing of the guard, and fresh ideas going forward into 2015.

September is our last meeting before the installation of officers in October for 2014-2015 year. We have had some really wonderful speakers and fun meetings, shared laughs and had an opportunity to increase our circle of friends and professional relationships. Thanks to all of you who have volunteered for Reading Rally, you should be proud to know you have probably helped to change the life of a child. For those who have participated in Casino Night, know you were part of raising over \$20,000 that goes toward our Scholarship fund. And for those who served on our Scholarship Committee, thank you for helping to give a woman in transition an opportunity to finish college. And a special thanks to the Board members who have done a wonderful job of organizing and carrying out all these initiatives.

Linda Allen, Sheri Emerick, Mary Helen Johnston and I will all be attending LCAM in Washington D.C. next week, which means unfortunately we will not be at the meeting. But we are all excited about this wonderful opportunity to learn new things, meet EWI members from other Chapters and bring back knowledge and best practices that can help us to be an even better EWI Chapter next year. Be sure to visit the [www.ewiconnect.com](http://www.ewiconnect.com) website and see the details of the conference.

**Linda Jordan**  
**EWI Corpus Christi President 2013-14**  
**L. K. Jordan and Associates**

### 2013-2014 Officers, Directors & Committee Chairs

#### President

Linda Jordan, L. K. Jordan and Associates

#### Vice President

Linda Allen, H-E-B

#### Secretary

Betty Baxter, Keetch & Associates

#### Treasurer

Christine Salch, Swank & Salch, P.C.

#### Ways & Means

Norma Herrera, Barcom Commercial, Inc.

#### Membership Director

Lorena Parada-Valdes, The Language Bridge

#### Sergeant-at-Arms

Susie Nemec, Land Clearing Solutions, LLC

#### Programs

Sheri Emerick, Art Museum of South Texas

#### Director At Large/ Nominating Committee

Elaine Hoffman, Barcom Construction, Inc.

#### Scholarship

Laura Hausman, Northern Beef Industries

#### Public Relations

Michelle Flower, Valero Refining

#### Reading Rally

Linda Allen, H-E-B

#### Membership Orientation

Sarah O'Brien, Navy Army  
Federal Credit Union

#### Website

Gracie Martin, Ensemble Group

#### Publications Director

Kathryn Dirks, ETCETERA

## August Firm Luncheon

### *Fabulous Fall Fashion Fling!*



### *Our Lovely Models*

Back Row: **Ellen Scott, Laura Hausman, Gracie Martin, Elaine Hoffman, Betty Baxter**  
Front Row: **Charlotte Hintz, Linda Calhoun, Jackie McLain**



Thank You Merchants for contributing your jewelry and clothing to our ***Fabulous Fall Fashion Fling!***  
**Anita Mallory, Anita Mallory Designs, Vicki Mitchell, Victoria's Jewels, Shannon Bartkowiak,**  
***Shannon's Distinctive Fashions, Kathryn Dirks, Etcetera Clothing***





## Announcements

### **From Linda Allen:**

Please remember to bring donated items for the Y-Teen Reading Rally goodie bags. If you are interested in donating, the goodies are for girls ages 10 and 11. The like anything that is fun, useful and pretty. We will be filling 55 goodie bags.

### **READING RALLY:**

**Date: October 18, 2014**

**Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**Location:**

**Corpus Christi YWCA**

**4601 Corona**

**Corpus Christi, TX 78411**

### **From Carmen Arias:**

I am looking for **silent auction** items for our “**Jazz for Pink**” event. It is our annual fundraiser benefitting the **American Cancer Society** to help buy wigs, and help furnish transportation and counseling to cancer survivors in the Coastal Bend. Any item or monetary donation will be GREATLY appreciated (and is a tax deduction)!

**“Jazz for Pink” Friday, September 26, 2014, 7:00 pm, Heritage Park**

[www.xraydocs.com/jazzforpinkposter/](http://www.xraydocs.com/jazzforpinkposter/)

### **From Nancy Wesson-Dodd:**

We are so busy at the YWCA getting ready for Reading Rally, and the events below. They are good opportunities for company visibility, fun, learning and supporting YWCA programs:

**Diez y Seis on September 16;**

**Glo & Go Night Run on Sept 20;**

**Yuletide Market on Oct 24 & 25.**

Click on the following link for more information on all of the events!

<http://corpuschristiewi.org/pdf/2014kedtclassicbrew.pdf>

### **From Myra Lombardo:**

Beer lovers rejoice! KEDT’s Classic Brew presented by Allen Samuels Chevrolet is set for **Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>** at 7PM at the Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History.

<http://corpuschristiewi.org/pdf/2014kedtclassicbrew.pdf>

### **From Sheri Emerick:**


**SAVE the DATE!** The Art Museum of South Texas presents **LYLE LOVETT and His Acoustic Group** **Thursday, November 13, 2014** at the **Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz International Center**

For More Information call **361-825-3500**

# September Birthday's

Mary Helen Johnston	September 2
Ella Baker	September 5
Martha Rosen	September 15
Jackie Ray	September 19
Lorena Parada Valdes	September 20
Jody Kuhl	September 25
Jackie McLain	September 30

## Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

	<b>Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting</b>  <b>EWI of Corpus Christi</b> <b>EWI®</b> <b>August 6, 2014</b>
<b>Call to Order</b>	Linda Jordan called meeting to order at 12:05 P.M.
<b>Roll Call</b>	Linda Allen, Christine Salch, Gracie Martin, Norma Herrera, Elaine Hoffman, Linda Jordan, Sheri Emerick, Betty Baxter
<b>Minutes:</b>	
Gracie Martin made motion that minutes of July meeting be approved as distributed, second by Elaine Hoffman, motion carried.	
<b>Treasurer's Report:</b>	
Christine Salch presented Financial Report as follows: Checking Account - \$29,557.11; B/C/D/P Account - \$12,996.51; Share Account - \$25.00; CD - \$14,000. Motion made by Elaine Hoffman that Financial Report be approved as distributed/presented, second by Sheri Emerick, motion carried. Christine also reported that the interest rate had been increased to 1.5% on the DC, thanks to Sarah O'Brien. Christine presented the proposed Budget for 2014-2015 to the Board. Budget included an increase for cost of lunches to \$25. per person (includes fee for Door Prizes). Motion made to accept as presented by Elaine Hoffman, second by Linda Allen, motion carried. Budget will be emailed to general assembly for discussion and vote at September Monthly meeting.	
<b>President's Report:</b>	
No report	

<b>Vice President's Report:</b>
No report
<b>Communications:</b>
No report
<b>Committee Reports:</b>
<b>Sergeant at Arms Report:</b>
Susie Nemece not present, but reported that 40 persons attended the August meeting, with 38 RSVP's.
<b>Website</b>
No report
<b>Scholarship:</b>
No report
<b>Membership:</b>
Lorena reported that Emily Barrera, Education Service Center, Region II, had been nominated for Membership by both Linda Jordan and Karen Barnes. Information will be going out this week to general membership.
<b>Membership Orientation:</b>
Sarah still looking for a date for New Member Orientation
<b>Nominating Committee:</b>
Elaine presented slate of Officers for upcoming year to Board. Slate will be presented to general assembly at September meeting for Vote.
<b>Public Relations:</b>
No report
<b>Reading Rally:</b>
No report
<b>Standards of Excellence:</b>
<b>Ways &amp; Means:</b>
Date and location for annual fundraiser has been set - Thursday, February 12, at Holiday Inn, Marina location on Shoreline.
<b>Publications:</b>
No report
<b>Programs:</b>
Sheri Emerick reported that the August program will be a Fashion Show by several of the members: Shannon Bartkowiak, Kathryn Dirks, Anita Mallory, and Vicki Mitchell September Meeting will be Election of New Officers, October- Installation of New Officers, and November Speaker will be Barbara Canales.

<b>Unfinished Business:</b>	
<b>New Business:</b>	
<b>Announcements:</b>	
<b>Adjournment:</b>	
Meeting Adjourned at 1:15pm	
<b>Approved:</b>	<b>Submitted:</b>
	Betty Baxter