

We celebrate Mother's Day and see kids graduating from high school to go onto their next adventure, and we also get to have our Executive Appreciation and Scholarship Award meeting! A huge shout out to the committee that put everything together, led by Danielle Forney, Neuberger Berman. They worked hard to get AMAZING auction items and décor for this event and worked with Qtego for the online bidding for the auction. The link was shared on social media and EWI sisters from all over the country were bidding on items!

The theme, "Dream, Dare and Deliver Hall of Fame" was a fun theme punctuated by the red carpet and stars of the scholarship winners on the floor as you walked into the venue at the Ruthe Jackson Event Center in Grand Prairie. There was a photo booth, a caricature artist and beautiful etching on wine bottles. We celebrated our EWISP, ASIST, Dallas Chapter Relative and Neuberger Berman Scholarships. As well as celebrated Melanie Linnear, Executive at State Fair of Texas, as the winner of the Ebby Halliday Executive Appreciation Award. Katie Milbry put together an AWESOME presentation highlighting all of our winners' accomplishments. From the refreshments to the auction, to the award winners, and the cake celebrating all the winners, this event reminded me of what amazing things we can do in our community. The graduating seniors and adults in transition that received scholarships mentioned how excited they were to receive the awards and be invited to celebrate with the Dallas EWI Chapter. We can't wait to see what amazing things these recipients do in the future!

#### Many thanks, Jennifer







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# Congratulations to our EWISP winners!!

# THE WINNER OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE EWISD SCHOLARSHID OF \$4,000 IS:

# RIYA KUMAR

GRADUATE OF LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL AND FUTURE ATTENDEE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY



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Scholarship Winners







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Former-EWI of Dallas member



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Former EWI of Dallas member & Ticketmaster Retiree Michael Sudhalter

CHISD Communications Coordinator

Founder of The Evangeline Daige Sudhalter Memorial Scholarship program

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# Congratulations to our ASIST winners!!

# THE WINNER OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE **ASIST** SCHOLARSHIP OF \$3,500 is:

# JASMINE MCCLENDON

ATTENDEE OF LOYDLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO



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# Congratulations to our ASIST winners!!

RIANA HUTH

ATTENDEE OF

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Congratulations to our Dallas Chapter Relative winner!!

# THE WINNER OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE DALLAS CHAPTER ONLY RELATIVE SCHOLARSHIP OF \$2,000 IS:

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# ADRIAN THOMAS

GRADUATE OF LANCASTER HIGH SCHOOL AND FUTURE ATTENDEE OF TIEXAS STATLE UNIVERSITY



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winners!!

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# REED SMITH

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# MIRANDA COBB

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# BYRON DEAN

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Executive Women International of Dallas 2023 Ebby Halliday Executive Excellence Award Recipient



Melanie Linnear, Executive Vice President, Concessions State Fair of Texas







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By <u>Lisa Anthony</u> Published May 1, 2023 9:47 a.m. PDT

## Can Your Small-Business Idea Actually Make Money?

Before leaving the 9-to-5 for a life as a small-business owner, you need to know if your business idea is a moneymaker or a money pit.

Business applications have been steadily on the rise in 2023, according to data from the U.S. Census Bureau, with over 451,000 filed in March alone. With the majority of this number attributed to small businesses, you may be one of the thousands of Americans considering a small-business idea of your own.

However, starting a business doesn't guarantee success. Based on 1994-2020 data from the Small Business Administration, about 1 in 3 new businesses won't survive two years. Before you start scouting locations and looking for financing, take the initial step of checking the feasibility of your small-business idea with some research and a little math.

#### Does your idea solve a problem?

Successful businesses help consumers solve their problems. First, identify what problem your business is going to solve and how. Framing your idea in this way will help you identify your target customer and also explain your business to others.

Based on the problem you're solving, you can develop a profile of your target customer. This would include their pain points, interests and demographic data such as age range, gender, location and income levels. While you're researching, make notes on the size of the group and their buying patterns so you can use it in your revenue calculations later.

Once you know who your target customer is and what problem you're solving for them, you can get their input directly. "What a lot of people haven't done when they have a great idea — they haven't talked to potential customers," says AI Everett, a certified mentor of SCORE, a nonprofit that offers free resources to small-business owners. "Talk to people that are in your family or people you have a lot of respect for in terms of how they buy," he recommends.

#### Does your idea stand out from the competition?

You also need to know who your competition is and the ways your business is different from others in the market. When meeting with entrepreneurs, "I try to strongly encourage them to do a SWOT analysis around the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats from the competition. They also need to do that on themselves," says Everett.

In addition to researching your competition, Everett also recommends talking to them directly and even buying their products to see how they compare to yours.

When soliciting feedback from potential customers and your network, find out where they currently shop, what they like and dislike about those businesses and whether they'd consider alternatives. Their honest reactions can be an indication of whether your idea has a place in the market.



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#### Have you crunched the numbers?

It's time to crunch the numbers to see what potential revenue your business would generate. Begin by developing estimates of your monthly revenue and expenses. To calculate your projected monthly revenue, estimate your number of monthly sales and multiply it by the selling price of your product or service. If you're not sure how to price your product, mirroring a competitor's pricing can be helpful.

Next, total all your monthly expenses. This includes the costs directly related to the product or service your business will provide — such as materials, inventory, packaging, shipping and labor — as well as additional business expenses like rent, utilities, equipment, marketing, licenses, insurance and fees. "Make sure you think about all your expenses," says Vanessa Uteau, owner of Pizza Market & Cucina in San Diego. "All your permits, all your fees, all your bank fees, whatever fees are going to be incurred in your business." Now, subtract your total expenses from your revenue to roughly estimate your monthly profit or loss. The more detail you include in these estimates, the more accurate the calculations.

You may want to consider creating a few different projections based on adjustments you could make to your revenue and expense estimates. For example, selling your product at a higher price would increase the monthly revenue number. Or, monthly expenses could be reduced by operating your business remotely instead of leasing office space.

#### Next step: write a business plan

The next step in your journey is to write a business plan, if you still see your idea as profitable. You've already done some of the work required for a business plan such as researching the market and your competition, identifying your typical customer and making basic financial projections.

It may also be time to consider getting assistance, especially if you don't have a business background or haven't run a small business before. SCORE business mentors, Small Business Development Centers, as well as organizations for veteran, women and minority business owners can help when you're starting a small business, often at no charge.

Everett recommends having two to three mentors, whether from business organizations or by leveraging groups on LinkedIn or Facebook. "Businesses, especially entrepreneurs, are proud of what they've done and they will share," he says.





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### LCAM 2023 Registration is Now Open!

EWI is excited to announce that registration for our largest event of the year is now open! Why register now? Well, it's true the early bird gets the worm, or in this case, saves the money!

Register before June 30, 2023 to save \$100 off LCAM registration!

# LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE & ANNUAL MEETING

## September 13-16, 2023 The Chattanoogan, Chattanooga, TN

EWI's Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting (LCAM) is an annual professional development conference where members from our Chapters gather to connect, network and grow professionally. Keynote speakers, workshops, seminars, group discussions, and more offer diverse learning opportunities. Social gatherings provide networking and establish new connections. Reading Rally events and other philanthropic activities reach the local community and help the Chapters learn how to implement programming in their communities. our annual Celebration Gala allows recognition of our memers and the many successes of our Chapters. Delegates representing each Chapter meet to approve the budget, elect the slate of officers and conduct the business of teh organiaiton during our annual business meeting.

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#### **REGISTRATION SCHEDULE**

#### **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

- \$700 Early Bird Ends June 30
- \$800 Regular Registration Ends Sept 8

#### LEADERSHIP CAUCUS REGISTRATION

\$150 - Registration Ends Sept 8

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 12:00–5:00 PM Lunch Included



Leadership Caucus is EWI's version of leadership training for incoming Chapter board officers and members. We encourage at least one member of the incoming Chapter board to attend this programming, so Chapters understand what is required for their year ahead and to connect with other Chapter leaders serving in the upcoming year. Leadership Caucus is hosted by the 2023-2024 Corporate Board of Directors and is led by incoming Corporate President Charlie Rosenquist, representing BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, Inc, EWI of Chattanooga.

#### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

#### **VINCENT PHIPPS**

The Attitude Amplifier



As a communication coach and owner of his award-winning company, Communication VIP Training and Coaching, Vincent is passionate about helping others improve their leadership, conflict resolution, and presentation skills. Vincent combines humor, high energy, interaction, and content expertise to keep laughing and listening. He is distinguished with earning the highest honor in the industry of professional speaking, being featured in the Top 1% of the world's best speakers and trainers.

#### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

#### SERVANT LEADERSHIP

SERVING WITH PASSION - Tawauna Stafford



This workshop is designed to have women work together for the better good of all concerned. It will build better friendship and help build servant leadership skills. This workshop will be a healthy place where attendees flourish and grow together.

#### **BUILDING EMPLOYEE TRUST**

CREATING A BETTER WORKPLACE - Dr. Heather Williamson



When managers need to achieve better results, having trust of the team members is key to achieve project success. Dr. Heather Williamson shows the positive impact of what can happen when team members trust their managers, such as improvement in speed, cost, quality, innovation, team effectiveness and competitiveness.



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Looking for a fellow EWI Member? Use our membership directory to search by name, location, member type and more! Reach out and make a connection!



Directory



Monthly financial reports and membership statistics are updated for member informational purposes. Please review how EWI is doing and help us to grow our influence across North America! Refer someone you know today!

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## "True-Blue" Referral Rewards Program

EWI Members are the life-blood of our organization. Our "True-Blue" Referral Rewards program recognizes members who are "True-Blue" EWI supporters. Beginning May 1, 2022, EWI is offering an opportunity for any EWI member to be rewarded for referring a new member to the organization.

Reveal your "True-Blue" loyalty for EWI by inviting a friend, co-worker, business partner, neighbor, networking contact or a connection from your social networks to join EWI. If your referral joins EWI, you will receive a \$25 "True-Blue" referral reward voucher redeemable towards any of the following EWI items:

• LCAM Registration

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- Leadership Caucus Registration
- EWI Branded Merchandise in the EWI Online Store
- Corporate Membership Dues

## As defined by Merriam-Webster's Dictionary, "True-Blue" is:

Unwavering in one's commitment; extremely loyal;

To show what one is really like: to reveal one's real nature or character

Synonyms: constant, dedicated, devoted, devout, down-the-line, faithful, fast, good, loyal, pious, steadfast, steady, true

To claim your referral reward, your name must be listed on the EWI Membership Application Form as the referring member. Your certificate will be emailed to you by the EWI Corporate Office once the application has been processed and paid in full. Certificates are redeemable upon receipt and expire 12 months from issue date.



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## **Upcoming June Birthday's**

June 26th **Bailee Hoover**, **Bank of America** 



## Mission

Executive Women International (EWI) brings together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purpose of promoting member firms, enhancing personal and professional development, and encouraging community involvement.

# Vision

To enhance professional growth and development within a diverse group of women while empowering them to make a difference as they inspire others.

## Values

Integrity | Excellence | Respect | Collaboration

# How Member Firms Benefit from EWI: RESULTS

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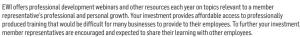
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EWI is an organization that believes in long-term, highly valuable relationships. Member representatives build lasting, sustainable, and ultimately valuable business connections through trust and respect. Your employees form relationships that create associations between your organization and a diversity of other prestigious firms and executives in your city.

#### EDUCATION



#### SKILLS

EWI member representatives practice strong business ethics and build core skills such as public speaking, effective leadership, mentoring, strategic planning, and even how to effectively and efficiently run meetings with Robert's Rules of Order. There are additional opportunities for growth in tell through Chapter and Corporate Board service such as preparing and managing a budget, managing a team, conflict resolution, and event planning.

#### UNTAPPED POTENTIAL

Participation in EWI quickly raises your firm's visibility among your city's business community. This affords you the ability to promote your products and services to audiences you may not reach otherwise, both locally and throughout EWI's North American network. Your firm will also have the ability to build contacts by hosting Chapter Firm Nights or attending other Firm Nights and various business meetings throughout the year.

#### LEADERSHIP

Many EWI member representatives cite leadership opportunities as a driving motivator for their participation. EWI offers a number of ways to build real-world leadership skills through Chapter leadership, Corporate Board participation, our Academy of Leadership program and other initiatives. Additionally, your membership positions your firm and your member representatives as leaders within your business community.

#### TANGIBLE RETURNS

The EWI network is motivated to see your member representatives and your firm succeed. Representatives look to one another first when they need a specific product or service. Your firm will be listed in the EWI International Directory, which constitutes a network across the United States and Canada for the exchange of information and business matters. Member Representatives have immediate access to our online community to connect your firm with additional resources by delivering real time accessibility to all members through the EWI Mobile App.

#### SUPPORT



Your member representatives will have a support structure of like-minded individuals outside of the office for career advice and other needs. EWI membership also provides you with an opportunity to support and recognize a top-ranking person within your firm by appointing her/him to represent your organization. Lastly, EWI offers your firm a number of ways to support your local community through good works, scholarship programs, and other philanthropic initiatives.



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Sherry Adams Vice President of Human Resources Ebby Halliday Companies



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## 2022-2023 MONTHLY MEETING & BOARD MEETING DATES

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Monthly Meeting Dates	Board Meeting Dates
September 20, 2022	September 28, 2022
October 18, 2022	October 26, 2022
November 15, 2022	November 17, 2022
December 13, 2022	December 15, 2022
January 17, 2023	January 25, 2023
February 21, 2023	February 22, 2023
March 21, 2023	March 29, 2023
April 18, 2023	April 26, 2023
May 16, 2023	May 24, 2023
June 20, 2023	June 28, 2023
July 18, 2023	July 26, 2023
August 15, 2023	August 23, 2023
TBD	September 28, 2023

All Monthly Meetings begin at 6:00 pm Board meetings begin promptly at 5:00 pm \*\*September's date is dependent on LCAM's date. exi Connect

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