# Corpus Christi Chapter

## Corpus Christi EWI Monthly Newsletter

## October 2018

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## Letter from President

Dear EWI Members,

What a year!!!! Thank you all so very much for your support, laughter and good will during this past year of my presidency. So much to be excited about – our programs were informative (the port, longevity, TAMUCC, hearing, etc) and heartwarming (scholarships due to Laura's caring attitude and understanding ) and fun (firm night at Janet's at Christmas time). Wonderful program committee under Janet Maxwell's leadership! Karen Barnes kept us on top of membership – even garnering us a retention award received at LCAM!!! Carla and Charlotte raised funds in a new format!!! Which was not only fun but a smarter vs. work format!! How fun was Chicago and Grease!!! (taking credit for two because of Hurricane Harvey's intervention!!) Reading Rally had Amanda and then Gracie at the helm – great leadership and planning!!! In addition, Gracie served as the Website/Social Media chair – bringing us right into the 21<sup>st</sup> century <sup>(C)</sup>

Sheri kept us all updated on events with the newsletter – her pictures really show cased her talents of photography. We have so many talents in the organization!! Serving on the board definitely brings these talents to the surface. So to all my fellow officer members: Lisa Wright (keeping us informed of up coming meetings and the numbers of attendance – you're the best!!!); Betty Baxter – who made sure I was paying attention to Robert Rules; Mary Jane keeping the books straight; Kathryn offering guidance from her previous experience and Donna my back up – who I called on a few times because of other commitments. Thank you all – you made everything look easy. And to the membership – what a wonderful, enthusiastic, bright group of women - it has been my pleasure to be your president. Thank you for giving me the opportunity.

Please join me in congratulating Donna on her Presidency and extending any support she may need to accomplish the mission of the chapter.

Bunny

Bunny Forgione PhD, RN, CNS

## 2017-2018 Officers & Directors

President Bunny Forgione, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Vice President Donna Patterson, South Texas Money Management

Secretary Betty Baxter, Keetch & Associates

**Treasurer** Mary Jane Hamilton Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi

Ways & Means Carla Hoffman, Independent Member

Membership Director Karen Barnes, L.K. Jordan and Assoc.

Sergeant-at-Arms Lisa Wright, Your Personal BestTraining Studio

Programs Janet Maxwell, Wittigs Office Interiors

> Director At Large Kathryn Dirks, Etcetera

Publications Director Sheri Emerick Art Museum of South Texas

# An EWI Photographic Retrospective



Scholarship recipients Kianna Sills, Rachel Shakin and Krystal Kulp along with Laura, Bunny and Myra



Linda at the supersuccessful GREASE! Thanks to all who helped

and attended!





Gracie and Bunny. Officer Installation Thank you's all around!



Holly and Sheri - Do we enjoy EWI or what?



**READING RALLY FUN!** 68 5<sup>th</sup> grade YWTeens—Thanks to EWI members and our Chapter! Photos, t shirts, speakers, crafts, and book "shopping"!

Be sure to check out www.corpuschristiewi.org for more information and photos!

# 2018 – 2019 Officers – Installation

**BY Gracie Martin** 

Much thanks to our very own Myra Lombardo from KEDT who, once again, MC-ed the Installation of Officers – October Luncheon. We were pleased to see 24 members attend the meeting to recognized the 2018-2019 Officers and Committee Chairs! Myra was also anxious to introduce the EWI, Corpus Christi Chapter, new "Spinning Moments in Life" game!!! It was well received, so now, it will become a tradition to play this "game" at our installation's meetings!!! With this format, for those that were present, can see that the sky is the limit when it comes to questions categories !!!

The 2018-2019 Officers and Committee Chairs did a fantastic job playing the game. While they used the spinning wheel with trepidation, even though they were aware of the 8 questions category but, they had no idea what the questions were!!! For those that missed the meeting... the question categories were: wardrobe malfunction, what drives you crazy, embarrassing moments, creature of habits, facts of life experiences, wildest dreams, food experiences and 50 shades of grey!! This particular category put everyone on a high level on intense anticipation, hoping NOT to get this category!! All was fun, because there were no wrong answers!!! Thank you Myra for making our Installation of Officers memorable!

Introducing the 2018-2019 EWI Corpus Christi Chapter Board

#### Officers:

President – Donna Patterson President Elect- Gracie Martin Treasurer – Dr. Mary Jane Hamilton Secretary – Mary Beth Riley Sergeant-At-Arms – Linda Calhoun

#### **Committee Chairs**

Membership- Karen Barnes Programs – Holly Lewis Duval Ways & Means – Carla Hoffman and Charlotte Hintz Scholarships – Laura Hausman and Nancy Wesson Dodd Programs – Holly Lewis Duval Publications – Mary Helen Johnston Director at Large – Dr. Bunny Forgione

Congratulations Ladies!

#### DATES TO NOTE

OCTOBER 31, 12:00 NOON JOINT OLD AND NEW BOARD MEETING – CORPUS CHRISTI YACHT CLUB

NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> 11:45 NOON CHAPTER MEETING ART CENTER UPSTAIRS

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Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting EWI of Corpus Christi EWI ® September 26, 2018 Call to Order Meeting called to order at 12:00 Noon by President Bunny Forgione Roll Call Christine Salch, Sheri Emerick, Gracie Martin, Donna Patterson, Laura Hausman, Janet Maxwell, Lisa Wright, Bunny Forgione, Betty Baxter Minutes were reviewed, with Motion by Janet Maxwell to accept as presented, second by Gracie Martin. Motion carried. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report presented by Christine Salch, with Cash Position as follows: American Bank - \$32,953.99; B/C/DP - \$10,894.18; Share Account -\$25.00; Petty Cash - \$40.00; CD - \$14,577.62. Total - \$58,490.79. Christine reported that the Fund Raiser monies still had not come in, so these amounts would change. Also, she reported that Reading Rally Expenses would post in the month of October. Motion to accept as presented by Donna Patterson, second by Lisa Wright. Motion carried. President's Report: Bunny reported that she had attended the annual L-Cam Meeting and it was, as usual, very inspiring and that the Speakers were all fantastic. She said that the main focus was on the By-Laws changes and that the new President's Moto is "Retain and Inspire". The By-Law changes were designed to accomplish this Moto. Changes as follows: ARTICLE III. Section 1. Classes of Membership - Amend to Read: The Chapter shall choose one of the following provisions to apply uniformly: (a) Representative status shall cease immediatley and without action of the Chapter upon termination of employment with a member firm: or (b) Representative status shall case four months after termination of employment with a member firm. During that period of time, the individual shall be granted transitional status and shall, if granted, retain all the rights of membership and shall be allowed to change membership status. Also, a Student Member is being added to the Classes of Membership. C. STUDENT MEMBER: The Chapter shall have the option of including the Student Member class of membership. A student member shall be an individual who is currently attending an accredited educational institution and currently resides within chapter boundaries. Student members do not have voting rights but may serve on chapter committees and lead non-board of director chapter initiatives. Student members may not serve on the Chapter Board. For full and complete By-Law changes, please go to the National Web-site. Vice President's Report: Donna reported that the Corpus Christi Chapter has been asked to host the Texoma Conference. She will be getting back to us with more information as to when this will occur, and plans for same. Communications: No Report Committee Reports: Sergeant at Arms Report: Lisa reported that 22 Members, 2 Member guests and 3 Speakers attended the Sept. Meeting. Website No Report Scholarship: Laura reported that the September meeting wherein Scholarship recipients were introduced went extremely well and they asked to participate in the upcoming Reading Rally! Nancy Wesson Dodd has agreed to be co-chair of the Scholarship Committee for the coming year. Membership: Karen was not present, but sent report that she had sent out 4 applications to prospective members, but had not gotten any replies. Membership Orientation: No Report Nominating Committee: No Report Public Relations: No Report Reading Rally: Reading Rally is scheduled for October 13. You will be receiving updates as to activities planned and times that volunteers are needed within next few days. Scholarship Recipients have been asked to participate as volunteers. Standards of Excellence: No Report Ways & Means: Carla reported that the Fundraiser was a huge success. All records was kept on each activity so next year Chairperson will know what needs improvement, etc. Tentative profit is approximately \$6,581.25, after expenses. Final figures will be presented at next Board meeting and reported in the September minutes. Publications Newsletter will be published after Reading Rally is completed. Programs: October Program will be Installation of Officers for the year 2018 - 2019. Unfinished Business New Business: General Monthly Meeting was held on September 5, 2018, at which time the slate of Officers for the year 2018 - 2019 was presented, as follows: Donna Patterson, President; Gracie Martin, Vice President; Mary Beth Riley, Secretary; Mary Jane Hamilton, Treasurer; Linda Calhoun, Sargent at Arms; Committee Chairs: Karen Barnes Membership, Holly Duval, Programs; Mary Helen Johnston, Publications; Laura Hausman, Scholarship, Carla Hoffman, Ways & Means; Gracie Martin, Website & Social Media. Membership voted by electronic ballot. Bunny made presentation and Janet Maxwell seconded. Announcements: Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1:10 P.M. Approved: Submitted: Betty Baxter