

Message from the President



Hello EWI of Chattanooga!! Our Chapter just had the majority of membership up for renewal. Moving to anniversary dates is a great strategy EWI Corporate started in 2012. EWI of Chattanooga is so grateful for everyone who continues to promote their firm through us. We did lose some member firms with active representatives. Now we have to support our Membership

Committee in getting the word out and recruiting new members! We are missing some key industries in our membership:

Doctor Salon Dentist Automotive

...Just to name a few. **Will you please help us recruit new member firms for EWI of Chattanooga?**

Membership includes Connections, Careers and Community. I know we can each contribute to all areas and get something back in the process. Connections: network, attend conferences, be a part of our Mentor Program. Careers: attend monthly webinars on relevant business topics, be a leader on a committee, business-to-business mentoring. Community: literacy initiatives through Reading Rally, education enhancement for women through scholarships and other philanthropic activities.

Please ask me how you can be more involved and get the most out of your membership with EWI of Chattanooga.

Thank you,
Kristina Smith, First Tennessee Bank

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February Chapter Meeting

Date: Tuesday, February 11th

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Mountain City Club
729 Chestnut Street

3 Cs Focus: Careers

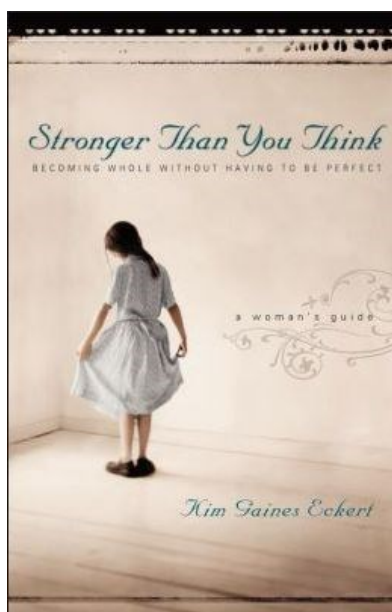
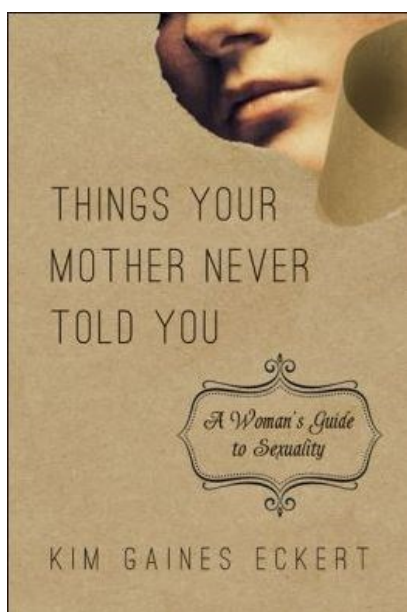
Speaker: Dr. Kim Gaines Eckert
The Relationship Therapy Center

Topic: **Power, Sexuality, and a Toxic Culture:** When Leaning In Isn't Easy

Dr. Eckert is...

- A psychologist maintaining a private counseling practice at the Relationship Therapy Center
- In her twelfth year on the faculty at Lee University
- A former guest on *Midday Connection* and *Prime Time America*
- A wife and mother of four

...and she wrote these books:



How to Register

1. **Navigate** to ewichattanooga.com, log in, and click on "Events."
2. Click on the "**Register**" button for the February Chapter Meeting.
3. **Fill out** your registration information..
4. **Confirm** your reservation. We'll see you at 5:30 p.m. on the 11th!

If you will be bringing guests to the meeting, please have them register for the meeting themselves. The registration process is the same for non-members, minus the log-in.



Register by noon on Tuesday, February 4th to hear what Dr. Eckert has to say.



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EWI Representative
Michelle Withorn



Fundraising: Charlie Rosenquist, BlueCross BlueShield of TN

Thanks to everyone who bought the door prize tickets to help us raise \$86 at the January meeting! We had some great items that everyone seemed to enjoy buying tickets for. Please remember to bring an item for the February table!

February Meeting Door Prize Theme

Make your sweetheart's Valentine's dinner special with some **wine and cheese!** Some additional ideas for the prize table: candy, CHOCOLATE, candles, etc.

We will be drawing for our No Dirty Dishes basket(s) in April, but for this to be successful, we still need donations for restaurant gift cards or certificates, movie tickets, or cash. We have received approximately \$100 worth of donations so far (our goal is two baskets valued at \$350 each). We are once again asking that each member sell a minimum of 10 tickets for the drawing. These will be sold for \$10 each and will be available at our February meeting. Remember that the more cards and/or certificates we receive, the more baskets we can make and the more we can collect for our scholarship fund!

We will be continuing to offer the opportunity for you to promote your firm at each meeting by purchasing an ad to be included in the Powerpoint presentation shown throughout the meeting. If you commit to a full year of advertising (10 months), your firm will get one month free...that's 10 months for the price of 9! You can find the advertising form here on the website.



Sgt-at-Arms: Nena Powell, Lattimore, Black, Morgan & Cain, PC

January Chapter Meeting Attendance:

33 Total
(30 Members, 3 Guests)



Membership: Rebecca Bishop, Reliance Partners

TRIVIA Question:

Where will our 2014 Spring Conference be held?

Email your answer to rebecca.bishop@reliancepartners.com by *February 10* for your chance to win door prize table tickets! The winner will be drawn at our Chapter meeting.

RECRUITMENT SPOTLIGHT CATEGORIES: Doctor, Dentist, Salon, Automotive

Do you know of firms in these industries that may be interested in EWI? Invite them to February's Meeting!



CONNECTIONS | CAREERS | COMMUNITY

Executive Women International® brings together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purposes of:

- Connections** - Promoting member firms
- Careers** - Enhancing personal and professional development
- Community** - Encouraging community involvement

**EWI Webinar:
Tuesday, February 4 at 3 p.m.**

**Susan Wranik, EWI Corporate
Speech-Language Pathologist**



*“He Said, She Said:
Communication
Between the Genders”*

[Click here to register now!](#)

EWI Care Corner

Please keep our EWI members and their families and loved ones in your thoughts and prayers:



Zelma Peck—Her husband, Bill health, following a recent heart attack.

Priscilla Williams—Her husband has been diagnosed with a “kidney injury.” Pray that his blood sugar will stay under control as he is diabetic.

Margaret Browning—Pray for her father, John Roberts, whose health has been compromised by a recent fall and other complications.

Angela Jordan—Remember her and her daughter DeJuan as they still grieve her mother’s passing.

Carolyn Stringer—Two of her friends’ grandbabies are very ill: 18-month-old Brantley Chandler and 6-month-old Nathan Nabors who are both hospitalized with birth defect complications.

Frances Cannon—Pray for her stability, comfort, and peace.

Share your praises and prayer requests with Delores Lewis: deloreslewis@uwchatt.org.



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