

President's Message

Dear EWI Orlando Chapter Representatives:



Time. 8 months until the Silent Auction Scholarship Fundraiser, 7 months until the Reading Rally and new Board installation, 6 months until LCAM and only 1 month until our Scholarship Award Ceremony and Dinner. Boy, does time fly!

With all of our big events coming up, it's time to get our committees in motion. At our February meeting, we formed 4 committees for which all reps are assigned:

- Hospitality:** Caroline, Wanda, Diane and Sally
- Ways & Means:** Trish, Lynette, Diana, Sybil and Ellen
- Scholarship:** Jennifer, Joyce, Patty and Debbie
- Reading Rally:** Joyce, Lynette, Colleen and Patty

In an effort to give business to one of our members and provide a very special handmade gift, an assortment of cards from Trish will be purchased by the chapter and provided to our speakers. Our Hospitality committee will also purchase an assortment of all occasion cards for use within our membership.

After our speaker on Fundraising in April, the Ways & Means committee will meet to plan the Auction. Please submit any ideas you may have for consideration.

The Reading Rally committee will soon choose a location. Please poll your executive for a suggestion for this event and let Joyce know by our April meeting.

The Scholarship committee is well under way with the application deadline of 03/31 and judging to be completed by 04/10. **Remember:** the Award Ceremony & Dinner is now **March 12**. Mark your calendar, as we should have 100% attendance for this special event.

Lots of work to do, but a mighty fine group to do it! Thank you for your time and passion that you give to EWI Orlando!

April Chapter Meeting

Date: Tuesday, April 21, 2009

Location: Crown Plaza Hotel
304 W. Colonial Dr.
Orlando FL

Speaker: Julie Chittum

Topic: Fundraising

Schedule: 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Price: Members \$30, Guests \$35

Please remember you must pay once a reservation is made. No shows are responsible for sending payments to the Chapter Sergeant at Arms. Payment for your meal is due at the event.

Reservation Deadline: Friday, April 17, 2009

RSVP: Gail Sisk
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Zimmerman Kiser Sutcliffe Shareholder, Joanne M. Prescott, Elected to Executive Council of the Workers' Compensa- tion Section of the Florida Bar

ORLANDO, FL—Zimmerman Kiser Sutcliffe Shareholder, Joanne M. Prescott, was recently elected to serve on the Executive Council of the Workers' Compensation Section of the Florida Bar.

Ms. Prescott is board certified in the area of workers' compensation. Her statewide practice includes counseling and defending insurance companies, third party administrators and employers. This includes perfecting claims for reimbursement from the Special Disability Trust Fund on behalf of her clients. Ms. Prescott's clientbase includes governmental entities, religious organizations, large retailers, trucking companies and construction companies.

Ms. Prescott actively contributes to the workers' compensation field as a certified instructor of continuing education classes for adjusters, employers and attorneys, and as the caselaw update editor of the News & 440 Report. She has received the designation of Super Lawyer by Super Lawyers Magazine, being counted among the elite 5% of Florida attorneys to receive this honor. She continues to volunteer significant time as a Guardian ad Litem through The Legal Aid Society, and has been recognized for outstanding pro bono legal service by the Orange County Bar Association when she was named the New Attorney of Excellence in 2002.

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Leaders Summit



The Leaders Summit is a biannual event (held in April) committed to further the professional development of Academy of Leadership Alumni. This event is open to Academy of Leadership Alumni only.

The 2009 Leaders Summit will be held on April 23-25 at the Hilton San Francisco Fisherman's Wharf.

Leadership Conference & Annual Meeting

September 24-26:

EWI is excited to announce plans for the 62nd Leadership Conference & Annual Meeting in Louisville, KY.

This will be an amazing opportunity to enhance Connections, Careers and Community. Connect with others throughout the conference, enrich your career by learning from our excellent speakers, and take pride in EWI's service to community.



Save the Dates ...

The Crowne Plaza Hotel is the location for our April, May and June Meetings.

On April 21, Julie Chittum will be raising our idea level when she comes to speak to us about Fundraising.

OUR MAY DATE HAS CHANGED TO THE 12TH. Please update your calendars for our Scholarship Dinner and notify your executives. This is one of our most special events of the year honoring our scholarship winners. We will be on the 14th floor – Lake Room – for this event.

In June we will hold our first of two Business Meetings in 2009. The board members will send out their reports early so be sure to print your copies to bring to the meeting.

EWI® Mission and Vision

Mission

Executive Women International® is an organization which brings together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purpose of:

- Promoting member firms
- Enhancing personal and professional development
- Encouraging community involvement

Vision

To be the Leading Connection for Business Professionals

Zimmerman Kiser Sutcliffe Shareholder, Michael C. Tyson, Supreme Court Certified Circuit Mediator

ORLANDO, FL—Zimmerman Kiser Sutcliffe Shareholder, Michael C. Tyson, has been certified by the Supreme Court of Florida as a Circuit Mediator.

Mr. Tyson is a member of the firm's Litigation practice group. He has been practicing law since 1990 and has been with ZKS since 1994. His Florida practice is dedicated to representing and defending corporations, insurance companies and individuals in all aspects of Florida personal injury and commercial/business litigation. He is also admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida.

Mr. Tyson is very active in pro bono work and donates his time and services to Legal Aid (Homeless Advocacy Project).

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Lucille Johnson Perkins Award

For Outstanding Member Firm

Nominations due by April 15, 2009!



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Requirements:

- ✦ *Connections — Promoting Member Firms*
- ✦ *Careers — Enhancing Personal and Professional Development*
- ✦ *Community — Encouraging Community Involvement*

In 1938, Lucille Johnson Perkins recognized the importance and potential of an association of key women working with their executives to promote their firms and improve their community.

In September 2009 the Lucille Johnson Perkins Award will recognize one outstanding member firm as our first honoree. Each Chapter is permitted "one" nomination (Download Form 53).



Executive Women International®

All nominations must be submitted to the Corporate Office: 515 South 700 East Suite 2A/Salt Lake City, Utah 84102/Phone: 801.355.2800

Reading Rally T-Shirt Design Contest

FROM: Renea Callery, Education/Professional Development Director

In conjunction with our new branding, EWI is once again sponsoring a Reading Rally T-shirt design contest. The Corporate Reading Rally Committee invites all EWI members to submit a new design. Please refer to the specifications and rules below.

Specifications:

1. Design and theme must be of a nature that can be used for several years.
2. Design and theme must reflect the national literacy initiative of EWI.
3. Design must include the words "EWI® Reading Rally" and the new EWI logo.
4. Design must be able to be sized to fit on the front of a T-shirt.
5. Design must be no more than four (4) colors.
6. Design must in some way encourage children to read.

Rules:

1. Each firm may submit no more than two (2) designs.
2. Designs must be submitted through the EWI representative of the firm submitting the design.
3. All designs must be submitted electronically in an Adobe Reader PDF file by Monday, April 20, 2009 to: Renea Callery, Corporate Education/Professional Development Director, at: reneaewi@gmail.com.
4. Upon submission of the design, the firm must be willing to make adjustments to the design if the judging committee deems it necessary.
5. Designs will be judged on logo emphasis, quality of design concept, creativity, and adherence to required specifications.
6. The winning design will be recognized as that firm's contribution to the EWI national literacy initiative and will become the property of EWI for promotional purposes – no compensation will be forthcoming.
7. The winning design will be submitted to the printer and the firm must be willing to work with the printer on the specifications to produce the design.
8. The winning firm will be recognized in the EWI Weekly Corporate Update, on the Corporate Website, and in the EWIconnect.
9. Questions should be addressed to Renea Callery at: reneaewi@gmail.com, or 313.962.6338.

Good luck to all!



For more literacy information, visit
[The National Center for Family Literacy.](#)

**Zimmerman Kiser Sutcliffe
Shareholder, Richard
Blackstone Webber II,
Guest Speaker at Central Florida
Real Estate Council**



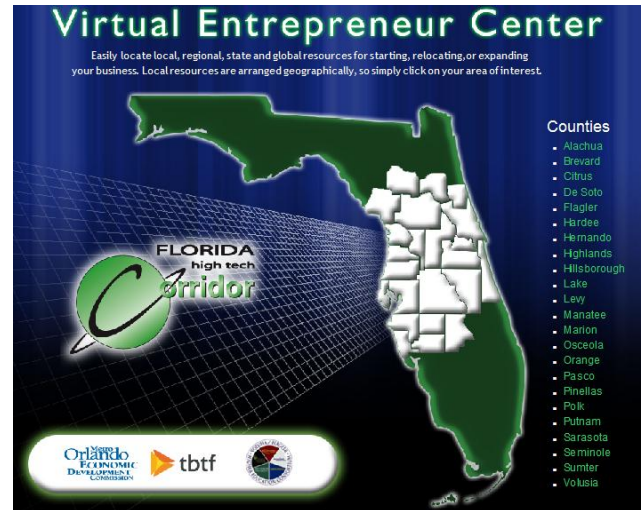
ORLANDO, FL—ZKS shareholder, Richard Blackstone Webber II, recently spoke at the Central Florida Real Estate Council. The seminar was entitled “Navigating the Bankruptcy Maze: A Practical Guide for the Real Property Practitioner.”

Mr. Webber has over twenty years of experience in bankruptcy and creditors’ rights with a specialty in Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization cases. After law school, he served as a judicial law clerk for the prestigious U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Alexander L. Paskay in Tampa, Florida. Mr. Webber is a Certified Bankruptcy Mediator and accomplished author and lecturer on bankruptcy, creditors’ rights and ethics.

Mr. Webber is admitted to practice before the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, the U.S. District Court Middle, Southern and Northern Districts of Florida, and the United States Supreme Court.

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**Florida High Tech Corridor
Council Virtual Entrepreneur
Center**



Whether starting a new business, looking to expand on existing business or considering relocating a business, entrepreneurs searching for information that will support their business needs can visit the Florida High Tech Corridor Council (FHTCC) Virtual Entrepreneur Center (www.flvec.com).

Created as a robust and easy-to-use one-step online resource, this Web portal is maintained by FHTCC in partnership with local economic development organizations. Updated regularly with new information the Virtual Entrepreneur Center (VEC) catalogs local, regional, state and global resources for starting and growing a business.

FLVEC.com is designed to be an up-to-date one-stop-shop library for entrepreneurs looking for business resources. FLVEC.com provides links within each Corridor county to all the latest business resources – such as local permitting codes and forms, statewide corporate registration information and federal trademark law.

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