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ABWA's Mission Statement

The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition. July 2022 | Vol. 33, Issue 4

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From your President...

It is with much pride and honor that I have been able to serve as your President this year. As I look back on this year I'm so impressed with what our ABWA Chapter members have gone through and how their support has helped make this a year of growth and success. Because we listened to our members input and concerns, we were able to get back to meeting in person, heard from



a variety of meaningful business guest speakers, met our goals to increase membership and retention, had very successful new member orientation events, provided personal contact to members, had two very successful fundraising activities and moved our Chapter meetings to a new venue.

Congratulations to all our committee chairpersons for stepping up and making sure our organization continues to meet the standards of our Mission Statement. Congratulations, too, to our monthly Super Stars; Cherise Irons, our "Chapter Woman of the Year;" Gayle Bramson, our "Top Ten Nominee;" and Adrienne Worthy, our Protégé Award recipient. As we close out this year, we pass our legacy on and look forward to working with our new officers and committee chairpersons. Wishing you all the best and a year filled with much success!

What a year this has been! Stay safe and be well!

Connie Kalish 2021—2022 Chapter President

August Chapter Meeting–08/04/22

Register NOW! RSVP on Eventbrite: https://tinyurl.com/AugCSMeeting



"Are You Ready to SCORE?" Understanding and utilizing SCORE as a business tool, and raising your

awareness of specific resources available to female entrepreneurs.

SCORE offers an abundance of free help and guidance in almost every facet of every business, including extensive information on available funding and grant opportunities for women entrepreneurs. There is never any charge for utilizing the advantages of SCORE. SCORE is a free business mentoring service offered by the US Government for budding entrepreneurs and current business owners who seek to take their business to the next level. **Check out www.score.broward.org**

In this seminar, we will learn:

- Possible business grant and funding opportunities that are available, specifically for women
- What a grant is
- Why having a mentor is a good thing for a business owner

Rich Kirshen is a retired US Navy Veteran & Diver

MEET RICHARD

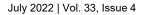
who owned and operated his own up-scale interior design business in Miami Beach for 37 years. Since retiring he has been a certified business mentor for SCORE, the government's only all-volunteer non-profit organization. They offer FREE business mentoring to budding entrepreneurs and current business owners who seek to take their business to the next level. He has mentored over 1200 people in the past seven years and is a published author.

EVENT REGISTRATION: In-person meeting fee:

Hybrid option now available: \$15 RSVP on Eventbrite: www.coral-springs-fl-abwa.eventbrite.com IN-PERSON MEETING WILL BE HELD AT: *Woodmont Country Club* 7801 NW 80th Avenue Tamarac, FL, 33321

Together TOWARDS TOMORROW For more information, contact Sherrie Gottesman at 877-216-9908 ext. 732 or visit our website at www.abwa-coralsprings.org











July's Super Star Rhonda Hey



June's Super Star Gayle Bramson



Our 2022 Protégé Award recipient is....Adrienne Worthy!







Chapter Photos



June new member installation: (I to r) Lena Johnson, Irma Parone, and Membership Cochairs Sherrie Gottesman & Stephanie Seberg



July meeting at Sette Mezzo Ristorante after a wonderful Italian feast followed by Community Connections and networking!



July new member installation: (I to r) President Connie Kalish, Membership Co-chair Sherrie Gottesman, new member Sherri Wilson, and Membership Co-chair Stephanie Seberg



July Book Club movie outing to see "Where the Crawdads Sing" (front row) Rhonda Hey, Mindy Schwartz, Barbara Gobbi, Sherrie Gottesman, Gayle Bramson (back row) Kathy Gallagher, Tricia Click, Debbie Silverman

Tri-County Council's 2nd Quarterly Event—June 25th











All Members Invited to the Chapter Retreat—July 23

Join us for our annual planning retreat and brunch!

One of the best things about ABWA is the diverse occupations and perspectives of our members, and we want you to share your ideas so that we can create an action plan that delivers value to its members, attracts and retains new members, and helps everyone to grow personally and professionally.

When: Saturday, July 23rd at 10am

Where: Barbara Gobbi's home 5125 NW 85th Road Coral Springs, FL 33067





Meet Our New Member!



Roberta Timpson



Roberta Timpson's creativity and artistry can be found throughout her home. She enjoys making jewelry, chain mail, card making, quilling, sewing and doing leatherwork. At age 34, Roberta joined the US Air Force as a Tech Sergeant and served for 21 years. Based in Macguire AFB, she was a medical tech for her first 10 years and then a Flyer for her remaining years. Flyers attend to patients during their trip to receive the medical attention needed at a different medical unit where the medical attention they need is available. After 32 years, Roberta retired and moved to Alaska where she resided

for 11 years. Roberta moved to Florida to be closer to family.

Roberta is very friendly and knows everyone in her neighborhood. She enjoys the friendship, diversity of knowledge and social events that ABWA provides. She looks forward to teaching others interested in making jewelry. Welcome to ABWA Roberta! We look forward to forging friendships and learning all we can about how to make the beautiful jewelry pieces you created.

Free APEX Course—Register by 7/29!

"Leaders create culture. Culture drives behavior. Behavior produces results."

Take advantage of another course from our Apex Campus! As long as you register by the deadline at 5pm CT, you will have 45 days to complete the course complimentary (a \$25 value).

Obeya Operations Center - July 1 - 29th, 2022

For first-time visitors to Toyota Motor Corporation's offices, many are surprised to discover an operating environment without traditional cubicles and offices - the Obeya. Learn how the Obeya method is the most effective way to visually manage strategy, projects, and day-to-day operations. In this course, Sam MacPherson shares his experience on how Obeya engages leadership teams through face-to-face communication, collaboration, organizational problem solving, and teamwork.

Login at <u>www.myapexcampus.org</u> under the <u>School of Lean</u> and register today! Please call the ABWA National team at 913-732-5100 or email us at <u>webmail@abwa.org</u>, if you have questions.



***Includes:** Dinner for one company representative, five minutes of presentation time, sponsor listing in program, sponsor announcement included in e-mail to members, opportunity to distribute printed materials or samples at meeting, opportunity to have an exhibit space during networking session prior to meeting, and one free ad in the next edition of The Connection, the chapter enewsletter.

To arrange meeting sponsorship, contact Treasurer Kathy Gallagher at (877) 216-9908 ext. 733 or email kathygallagher.abwa@gmail.com.

Save the Dates!

- July 23—Chapter Retreat, 10:00am—all members welcome! Location: Barbara Gobbi's home
- Aug. 4—Chapter Meeting (hybrid); location—Woodmont Country Club
- Aug. 12-14—Tri-County's ABW Day Celebration; location—Embassy Suites, Ft. Lauderdale
- Sept. 8-10—National Women's Leadership Conference; location—Westminster, CO



Newly Elected Chapter Officers for 2022-2023 Year



Barbara Gobbi President



Rhonda Hey Vice President



A'Kera Brown Treasurer



Deb Roman Corresponding Secretary



Gayle Bramson Recording Secretary



2021-2022 National Board of Directors

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National Officers



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Cheryl Blair National Secretary-Treasurer

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Vice President



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Vice President



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Kerrie Underhill District VI **Vice President**

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Tri-County Council's ABW Day Celebration—August 12-14



Summer Membership Campaign!



Recruit two or more new members during this year's Splash Into Summer Membership Campaign

from JULY 1 - JULY 31, and receive a bold and beautiful Beach Towel in the Sunlit Pattern designed by Vera Bradley.

Now is the time to share the value of membership in the American Business Women's Association. Ask a colleague, friend, or acquaintance to attend your next league meeting.





National Women's Leadership Conference—Sept. 8-10



AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION NATIONAL WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE September 8-10, 2022 *live!* in Westminster, Colorado in Westminster, Colorado

Summer Solstice Series

CONNECT TO YOUR BUSINESS with abwa's 2022 summer solstice series

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Dive into this year with more energy and focus than ever and let ABWA help brighten your business acumen by taking one, or all, of this year's valuable sessions in ABWA's 2022 SUMMER SOLSTICE SERIES.

Each engaging session will be led by accomplished professionals and subject matter experts.

- Sessions are hosted virtually on Zoom or GoTo webinar platform.
- A link will be posted to the event on the Summer Solstice Team Board.
- All Sessions are scheduled on a Tuesday from 6:00-7:00 PM Central Time.
- Session fees are non-refundable.
- Sessions may be purchased in the ABWA Online Store. Purchase each event to register.
- Per speaker contracts, sessions will not be recorded.

Sign Up in the ABWA online store! \$25 a session or \$100 for all 5 sessions*

A \$25 Savings!

*All five sessions must be purchased at the same time to receive the \$25 savings





Tuesday, June 28 6:00-7:00 PM (Central Time) Session Series 1 of 5 Session Series Title: Off Balance on Purpose Keynote Presenter and Author: Dan Thurmon



Tuesday, July 26 6:00-7:00 PM (Central Time) Session 4 of 5 Session Series Title: From Distracted to Productive: Finding Your Productivity in a Hyper-Interrupted, e-Distracted World Keynote Presenter and Author: Randy Dean, the E-mail Sanity Expert



Tuesday, July 12 6:00-7:00 PM (Central Time) Session Series 2 of 5 Session Series Title: Putting Your Exceptional Self Forward Keynote Presenter: Sherry Darden



Tuesday, August 9 6:00-7:00 PM (Central Time) Session 5 of 5 Session Series Title: Security Awareness for ABWA Members Keynote Presenter and Author: Robert Siciliano



Tuesday, July 19 6:00-7:00 PM (Central Time) Session Series 3 of 5 Session Series Title: Leadership-It Starts With You! Finding Significance in your Association Role Keynote Presenter and Author: Lauren Schieffer

2021-2022 Chapter Officers



Connie Kalish, President cjkalish@aol.com



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2021-2022 Committee Chairs

Auditing Committee TBDBest Practices Kathy GallagherProfessionCommunity Service TBDEducation TBDEducation TBDFundraising Lori MauerHospitality Kathy Gallagher (temp)Tri-County CoMembership Sherrie Gottesman, Stephanie Seberg

 Newsletter Kathy Gallagher

 Professional Development
 Lois Margolin (temp)

 Publicity Barbara Gobbi
 Recognition

 Recognition
 Stephanie Seberg

 Technology
 Lois Margolin

 Tri-County Council
 Gayle Bramson, Kathy Gallagher

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 Woman of the Year

The Connection JNEW! Core Values and Proud Code of Conduct

ABWA's Core Values

- 1. Selfless Leadership Be committed to doing the right thing, always. Be transparent in your actions even when no one is looking!
- 2. Building Community Be committed to creating sustainable ABWA communities where women can connect, learn, and grow together.
- 3. Value and Seek Diversity Be committed to recruiting new members from diverse cultures, ages, work industries and experiences.
- 4. Manage for Innovation and Excellence Be committed to original thinking and delivering excellence in everything you do.
- 5. Lifelong Learning Be committed to enhancing your own business knowledge, skills, and acumen. Be unafraid to make mistakes, iterate, err and try again.
- 6. Focus on Facts and Own Results Be committed to using "data" to drive your decisions and actions and be accountable for your performance, good and bad.
- 7. Choose to Make a Difference Be committed to unlocking a member's potential and inspiring/motivating her to become the best version of herself.
- 8. Celebrate Be committed to celebrating members' achievements.

ABWA's Proud Code of Conduct

- As an ABWA member, I will serve as a goodwill Ambassador for the American Business Women's Association.
- As an ABWA member, I will adhere to the Association's Bylaws and comply with the Association's Brand Guidelines.
- As an ABWA member, I will not use my personal power or influence to advance my own interests.
- As an ABWA member, I will not allow my personal beliefs or convictions to alienate other members, prospective members, and sponsors at any level of the ABWA organization (local, regional or national).
- As an ABWA member, I will always treat member colleagues, the ABWA National Team, guests, speakers, vendors and sponsors with dignity and respect.

JOIN US

Meetings are on the 1st Thursday of the month at

Woodmont Country Club 7801 NW 80th Ave Tamarac, FL

Networking 6:15pm Dinner & Program 6:30pm

> Can't attend in person? Join us via ZOOM!

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