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ABWA
AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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The American Business Women's Association

Whether you are starting a new business or looking to advancing your career, the American Business Women's Association is the place to be for working women and women business owners who want to connect, learn and grow.

As an ABWA member:

NETWORK face-to-face with accomplished women and men just like you from musicians to physicians by joining a Chapter or Express Network in your community.

CONNECT with members online in ABWA's Community Connections or members-only Facebook page.

REGISTER for courses or nationally sponsored conferences to acquire the knowledge and skills that will advance you and your career to the next level.

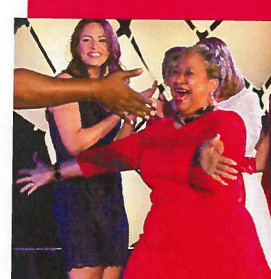
STAY INFORMED by reading ABWA's exclusive *WOMEN IN BUSINESS*® magazine and *ACHIEVE* newsletter.

SAVE MONEY on business products and services with ABWA's member-only discounts.

*To join, call toll free 1-800-228-0007 or visit **abwa.org***

OUR COMMITMENT TO WOMEN

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.



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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ONLINE

As a member of the American Business Women's Association, you can register for online learning courses from the Gemba Academy's School of Lean, to ABWA's *How to Be Heard Series*, and everything in-between! ABWA has sixty courses that will help you achieve your personal and professional best, offered to members at a significantly discounted rate.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FACE-TO-FACE

Nationally sponsored events are an excellent opportunity for you to connect, learn and grow on a grand scale. The National Women's Leadership Conference is ABWA's capstone event which includes an impressive line-up of keynotes and break-out sessions covering business concepts, fundamentals, and practical take-aways that will advance you in your personal and professional lives.

Two of the most popular programs are *Women as 21st Century Leaders* and the *ABWA-KU MBA Essentials*. These two programs are instructed by the professorial staff affiliated with Park University and the University of Kansas School of Business respectively. The curriculum for each program includes 12 courses valued at .4 continuing education credit hours per course.

With an annual investment of \$115, you can take flight as a national member in the American Business Women's Association!



STEPHEN BUFTON MEMORIAL EDUCATIONAL FUND

Assisting women to succeed in higher education, the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund (SBMEF) is considered one of the country's most highly respected scholarship programs for women. Since 1953, the fund's Board of Trustees has awarded more than \$17 million in scholarships to more than 17,000 women. To learn more about available scholarship opportunities, visit www.sbmef.org.

PARTNERSHIPS AND OUTREACH

ABWA partners with other organizations each and every year in promoting dates, events or initiatives that will have a positive impact on women's lives including:



SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY
NOV 29

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- The American Cities Business Journal in their annual Biz Mentoring Monday event.
- The Small Business Saturday Coalition for promoting Small Business Saturday.
- Global Ties KC in supporting international business women.
- The American Business Women's Foundation (ABWF) whose purpose is to inform and educate women about parity (equal pay and opportunities) in the workplace. In fact, ABWA's slogan, "21 Cents for Change" is used in conjunction with Equal Pay Day.



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TAKE FLIGHT IN ABWA!

Consider the butterfly. It begins life as a common caterpillar, which spends its entire existence consuming the sustenance that will nourish it for a long time. At the right moment it makes a chrysalis within which it will undergo one of the most miraculous transformations in nature. Eventually, it struggles to free itself from its self-made protection and emerges as one of the most beautiful creatures on earth—the butterfly.

The butterfly emerges from its chrysalis and soon takes flight into an entirely different life from its obscure beginnings. We call the process a “metamorphosis,” which is exactly what your ABWA experience is designed to engender.

Women are drawn to ABWA because they are seeking a change. Each desires a personal metamorphosis into a new phase of their careers by learning new skills, facing down personal fears, developing leadership abilities, learning to collaborate with peers and enjoying each others’ company. Each is seeking to be the best that they can be.

In many respects, ABWA is the protective chrysalis where members are safe to try new approaches in dealing with their jobs, their employers and co-workers. ABWA is a welcoming sisterhood where members are allowed to make mistakes, learn from them and build on the experience in a safe and secure environment.

Soon our members become inspired. They work to break out and take flight, showing the world their brilliant colors and the confidence necessary to face any challenging situation.

Join today, and take flight in ABWA!



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Changing women's lives...one woman at a time.

ABWA'S COMMITMENT TO WOMEN

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MEMBERSHIP

ABWA is a prestigious organization made up of thousands of professionals across the nation. The majority of members belong to one of hundreds of local ABWA communities across the country, providing additional opportunities for professional development and networking on a local level via monthly meetings.

National membership in the American Business Women's Association is open to everyone with an **annual investment of \$115**. Local dues may be required.



ASSOCIATION'S LEADERSHIP

The National Board of Directors represents the Association's membership, governing the policies of the Association on behalf of its members. The Board also serves as the Trustees to the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund (SBMEF).

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ABWA'S MISSION STATEMENT

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PROFESSIONAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

The Association provides members with opportunities to enhance their business acumen through online learning, national and regional conference events, and monthly meetings.

ATTEND nationally sponsored conferences to experience ABWA on a grand scale. Meet hundreds of women from across the country, hear inspiring keynotes and learn from business experts.

REGISTER for on-line courses ranging from the Gemba Academy's School of Lean to ABWA's Job Suite Series. Association members have access to a library of sixty courses in all.

STAY INFORMED about new opportunities by reading ABWA's exclusive *Women in Business*® magazine, and Achieve newsletters.

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APEX CAMPUS COURSES

There's a wealth of learning and knowledge available through our APEX Campus on the ABWA national website. Some of the courses are free or available at extremely reasonable cost. Ask one of our members if you are interested in learning more!



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Introductory Topics ▼	REGISTER ➡
Gemba Glossary ▼	REGISTER ➡
5S Workplace Productivity (2009) ▼	REGISTER ➡
The 7 Deadly Wastes (2016 refresh) ▼	REGISTER ➡
The Kaizen Way ▼	REGISTER ➡
Transforming Your Value Streams ▼	REGISTER ➡
Practical Problem Solving ▼	REGISTER ➡
Seven Quality Control Tools ▼	REGISTER ➡
A3 Thinking ▼	REGISTER ➡
Just in Time ▼	REGISTER ➡
Kanban Overview ▼	REGISTER ➡
Quick Changeover: The SMED System ▼	REGISTER ➡
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Culture of Kaizen ▼	REGISTER ➡
Kaizen Leadership ▼	REGISTER ➡
Leader Standard Work ▼	REGISTER ➡
Hoshin Planning ▼	REGISTER ➡
Jean Cunningham on Lean Accounting ▼	REGISTER ➡
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The Kaizen Way ▼	REGISTER ➡
Project Selection ▼	REGISTER ➡
Process Mapping & Selected Tools ▼	REGISTER ➡
Transforming Your Value Streams ▼	REGISTER ➡
Introduction to Statistics ▼	REGISTER ➡
Descriptive Statistics ▼	REGISTER ➡
Graphs ▼	REGISTER ➡
Inferential Statistics ▼	REGISTER ➡
Statistical Process Control ▼	REGISTER ➡
Process Capability ▼	REGISTER ➡
ANOVA ▼	REGISTER ➡
Regression ▼	REGISTER ➡
Measurement System Analysis ▼	REGISTER ➡
Design of Experiments ▼	REGISTER ➡
Continuous Improvement and Control Plans ▼	REGISTER ➡
Minitab Quick Hits ▼	REGISTER ➡

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FREE! Assertiveness and Direct Communication: Your wording is a critical productivity tool. ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! Email Best Practices: Fall in love with your inbox. ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! Email Stack Attack! ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! Organizing the Home Office: Setting up your space and systems for success ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! Organizing Your Office and Your Life: Survive information overload and clear the clutter. ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! Productive Travel: Tips for business travelers. ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! Tame Your Tweets, Focus Your Facebook and Lasso Your Linked-in Using Social Media to Maximize Profits and Save Time. ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! The Productive Entrepreneur ▼	REGISTER ➡
FREE! Your Life In Balance - Creating More Discretionary Time for Yourself ▼	REGISTER ➡

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HOW TO BE HEARD SERIES

How to Be Heard: A Powerful Conception Idea ▼	REGISTER ➡
How to Be Heard: A Survey of Influence ▼	REGISTER ➡
How to Be Heard: The Influential Power of Story ▼	REGISTER ➡
How to be Heard: Negotiation Skills ▼	REGISTER ➡

ABWA JOB SUITE SERIES

The Job Suite: Resumes That Get Interviews ▼	REGISTER ➡
The Job Suite: Interviews That Get Results ▼	REGISTER ➡
The Job Suite: Joy of Starting Over ▼	REGISTER ➡
The Job Suite: The Joy of Jumping In ▼	REGISTER ➡
The Job Suite: First Days Off the Job ▼	REGISTER ➡

SPECIAL OFFERS FROM ABWA CORPORATE SPONSORS!

ABWA offers members benefits beyond the Association's many programs, WIN, conferences and magazine. We have negotiated with companies that will offer ABWA members exclusive discounts on products and services you can use for both personal and professional use. Your savings will add value to your Association experience. Click on the company names below. You may find that these discounts go far beyond saving you the cost of your ABWA membership! And check back often - we regularly develop new programs.



GEICO Auto Insurance

ABWA's partnership with GEICO Auto Insurance gives you the benefit of great rates on high-quality car insurance. In addition to your membership discount -- which could shave as much as 8% more off GEICO's already low prices -- you'll also receive 24-hour service online or by phone, efficient and fair claim handling, and the peace of mind that comes with being protected by an auto insurance company rated A++ for financial stability. [Click here](#) or call 1-800-368-2734 for a free rate quote today.



THE BUSINESS SOURCE It's a proven fact that readers make more money—a lot more! (Even in tough economic times.) Why? One reason is they have a constant flow of new ideas and strategies they can use to help their careers, their teams and their companies. The problem is...who has time for all that reading? There is a solution: ABWA has teamed up with The Business Source to offer concise summaries of the latest business books. Each month you will learn best practices and powerful insights from leading-edge thinkers, industry experts and world renowned business gurus...and the summaries take just 15 minutes to read! Please watch your email in the spring for a special 70% off promotion (a savings of \$91) on this powerful new program exclusively for ABWA members.



Explore our new Member Savings Program!

NCSPlus, Inc., is an Accounts Receivable Management firm serving more than 25,000 businesses, healthcare practices, and educational institutions. NCSPlus is endorsed by numerous professional and trade associations. We offer a collection system that increases recovery rate, lowers collection costs, and improves your business' cash flow. We offer a full service collection system that increases recovery rate, lowers collection costs, and improves cash flow. **ABWA members will receive a special bonus upgrade valued at over \$300** when you fill out the online application. [Click here](#) to learn how the NCS Fixed-Fee Philosophy can increase your recoveries, reduce your internal expense and eliminate your need to ever use a collection agency again.



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Before you rent your next car, enroll in the Budget **Fastbreak** program so you can so you can *Get In, Get Out, Get GoingSM* on your way fast! Budget will keep all of your rental preferences on file so you can skip the lines and never have to fill out another rental agreement again! You will have a choice of vehicle in your reserved rental class (available at most major airports). Simply present your driver's license and hang tag at the exit booth and you're on your way. For reservations log on to [Budget.com](#). You will be provided the ABWA BCD code and discount code when you join the Association.



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Membership Application

Benefits of membership begin the date your application and payment are received and processed at ABWA National Headquarters. For renewal purposes, membership starts on the first day of the month following the date the application and payment are processed and renews annually. Dues payments are non-refundable and non-transferrable.

Date: _____

First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____

Affiliation Information:

Do you plan to join a local league? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, league name _____

Note: Participation in an ABWA local league is contingent upon timely payment of annual National dues.

Name of Member Sponsor (if applicable): _____

Address and Contact Information:

Home address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Primary phone contact: _____ Primary e-mail address: _____

Note: An e-mail address is required to access your membership information and conduct business online at www.abwa.org. By providing your e-mail address, you are authorizing ABWA to contact you by e-mail.

Personal Demographics (for statistical purposes only):

Birthday (MM/DD): _____ Birth Year (YYYY): _____ Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male

Business Owner, Employment and Education Level Demographics (for statistical purposes only):

Your Company's Name: _____ Your Title: _____

Are you a business owner? ☐ Yes ☐ No Description of products/services: _____

Highest Level of Education Completed:

☐ High School/GED ☐ Vo-Tech ☐ Associate's Degree ☐ Bachelor's Degree ☐ Master's Degree ☐ Doctorate Degree

Enclosed is my ABWA National dues payment of:

☐ \$115 ABWA National Membership

☐ \$ 50 ABWA National Student Membership

**To qualify for student membership, include a class schedule reflecting enrollment in 12+ credit hours per semester.*

Payment Information: ☐ Check: Mail check with application to **ABWA, 9820 Metcalf Ave, Suite 110, Overland Park, KS 66212**

☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover # _____ / _____ / _____

Expiration Date: ____ / ____ Security Code (3-digit code on back of card): _____

Name on Card

Signature

The American Business Women's Association is a non-profit organization which is serviced by ABWA Management, LLC, a company organized for profit. All ABWA income is received by ABWA Management, LLC and, in exchange, the company provides all necessary services and materials to the ABWA membership. All dues include a one-year subscription to *Women in Business*®, ABWA's official publication. Dues are not deductible as a charitable contribution for Federal income tax purposes; however, they may be deductible under other provision of the Internal Revenue Code.



The American Business Women's Association is a national association founded in Kansas City on September 22, 1949 as a support organization to help women be successful in their careers. It has since become a prestigious organization made up of thousands of professionals all across the nation.

As a member of ABWA, you are part of an Association with over 60 years of experience in leadership, diversity, education, and national recognition for businesswomen; an Association that is constantly evolving to meet the needs of today's changing business environment. Benefits of membership in ABWA include:

- Access to My Community Connections, an interactive online community delivering tools, resources, as well as professional development courses.
- Educational opportunities at National Conference including the ABWA-KU MBA Essentials program and "Women as 21st Century Leaders," presented by Park University.
- Educational grants and scholarships through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund.
- National recognition through programs like Top Ten Business Women of ABWA, Woman of the Year, ABWA Ambassadors, and more.
- Subscription to ABWA's award-winning magazine, Women In Business.®

After joining ABWA, members are eligible to join a local league to capitalize on the benefits of membership through networking and leadership opportunities which include:

- Developing professionally through informative programming at monthly meetings
- Gaining leadership skills while working on committees, managing projects, and speaking at league functions
- Running for a leadership position within a local league and/or the national association
- Increasing community visibility through the opportunities presented at monthly meetings of the local league
- Networking with local professionals, expanding both your personal and professional networks
- Becoming part of an inspiring team focused on education, experience, and enthusiasm!

We encourage you to join ABWA to connect, learn, and grow! Membership opens many professional growth opportunities while keeping you connected to the largest network of working women in the country. You'll benefit from leadership training, professional development, networking opportunities, and more.

Mo-Kan Chapter Vision Statement

To be the group of choice for women in the Kansas City area, as an empowering organization where we grow leaders, enhance our learning, and provide educational opportunities.

Mo-Kan Chapter Monthly Meetings

Date: 2nd Wednesday each month

Time: 5:45 – 6:30 pm: Networking

6:30 - 8:30 pm: Dinner, Program & Meeting

Cost: \$25 guests; \$22 members

RSVP: Contact our Hospitality line at 913-390-3466 or email ABWAMoKan@gmail.com

2016-2017 Mo-Kan Chapter Executive Board

President	Cheryl Scott
Vice President	Sandy Haner
Secretary	Dr. Lauren Hall
Treasurer	Jody Skelton

ABWA Membership Fees

National Dues. Annual membership fees are \$115, payable each year the month of your membership anniversary. ABWA's basic membership fee for students is \$50, with a valid class schedule.

Local Dues. The annual dues for the Mo-Kan Chapter are \$36. Chapter dues are payable every year on August 1st. These dues pay the administrative costs of the Chapter. For members who join after August, dues are pro-rated for the remainder of the chapter year at \$3 per month.