

**DACA Leagues
Monthly Meetings**

Charisma Charter Chapter

4th Tuesday - 6pm
Brookhaven Country Club, Dallas, TX
www.abwa-charisma.org

DeSoto Charter Chapter

2nd Tuesday - 6pm
Clarion Hotel, DeSoto, TX

Lakeside Leaders of ABWA

2nd Tuesday - 6:30pm
Amore Pasta & Pizza, The Colony, TX
www.abwathecolony.org

Navarro Chapter

2nd Monday - 12 noon
Kinsloe House, Corsicana, TX

**NDBW - North Dallas Business
Women's Express Network**

2nd Friday - 11:30am
Prestonwood Country Club, Dallas, TX
www.ndwabwa.org

**OPEN - Outlook Positive Express
Network**

3rd Monday - 5:30pm
1st Floor Conference Room, 7920 Belt
Line Rd. Dallas, TX
www.abwaopen.com

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DALLAS AREA COUNCIL OF ABWA

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Dallas Area Council
of ABWA





ABWA, the American Business Women's Association spans the nation as the world's most diverse professional organization for women. Tens of thousands of members gather throughout the country, united by a common goal – to support each other in professional development and career advancement.

ABWA has long been accepted as one of the leading business women's associations in the United States and its far-reaching influence has touched the lives and careers of so many. It's incredible to realize that it all began more than 50 years ago, when the term "business woman" was an oddity and an association dedicated to advancing women's careers was simply unheard of.

In 1953, Kansas City, Mo., businessman Hilary A. Bufton Jr. recognized the positive impact women had been having upon the economy. He also realized what a widespread loss it would be to let women fade quietly out of the workforce. But given the times, he knew that they couldn't go it alone.

"It was my feeling all women were seeking and deserved equal business opportunities," he later wrote. "They had gained tremendous business knowledge during World War II, through necessity, and I felt that a new organization for all business women was needed." On Sept. 22, 1949, Bufton and three Kansas City businesswomen incorporated the American Business Women's Association, and the American workforce was changed forever.

ABWA Mission

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.

The Dallas Area Council of the American Business Women's Association was founded by the original 1990 ABWA National Convention Officers: Emma Shelton, General Chair, Patricia Van Winkle, Secretary and Debbie Champion, Treasurer. These officers had such bundled up energy and enthusiasm, they released it by forming a Dallas Area Council. The actual birth of DACA was December 7, 1986 at a gathering at the Carrollton Library. Plans were formalized on January 31, 1987 and the first DACA meeting took place in February, 1987.

DACA was created to bring together the area-wide league working on the 1990 ABWA National Convention. Each league brings its own unique personality and talents to share with the council. The objective in forming DACA was a sincere effort to get to know and support one another, as well as pooling our diverse talents and resources for the common good of all.

Since its inception, it has undergone many changes and wonderful growth so that today it compliments the leagues, offering opportunities for knowledge and personal development.



www.abwa-daca.org

DACA meets quarterly on the 1st Saturday in February, May, August and November. Our meetings are held at 3010 LBJ Frwy #1200, Dallas, TX from 8:30-11:00am, Breakfast is served. Registration can be made at www.abwa-daca.org.

Our August meeting for 2016 will be August 13 from 9:30am-12pm and is a special celebration of ABWA Chapter's Women of the Year and Top Ten Nominees, location TBA.

ABWA Proud Code of Conduct

1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
2. Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission.
3. Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness, and in good faith.
4. Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express Network Bylaws.
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
6. Members will strive for excellence in their professions by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members.