

## Women of Excellence Chapter

Bryan, Texas

*A Chapter of the  
American Business  
Women's Association*



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## President's Letter

I am excited and honored to have been elected president of our wonderful ABWA group. This is our third year, and we need to reach new heights. To do this we will need to share all of our wonderful and positive experiences of ABWA with friends, family and business acquaintances - all can learn and grow with ABWA and what it has to offer.

The best way to build a strong foundation for our group is through friendship. Friendship is the strong building block that allows us to support each other, promote our businesses and mentor our fellow ABWA members and our friends. Building friendships with each other makes our group stronger and more united.

When we become a mentor and friend to our newest ABWA members, we pass along the experiences of ABWA and the knowledge we have gained to them. Show them the great opportunities that are available and they will see the rewards. They need to know the first step is get up, dream a dream, see the stars and then get out of that box and reach for it!!

*Welcome to the new 2011-2012 WE Team!*  
*Back row (left to right): Rhondia Doan, Rachel Dohmann, Kristy Cordova, Patricia Rae, Lisa Lash, Emily Dykes, Sara Alvarez. Middle row (left to right): Lynda Scroggins, Tina Cornelius, Denise Pineda, Beverly Turek, Shelley Turek, Teri Adamson. Front row (left to right): Aimee Woolard, Terri Gonzales, Liz Galvan.*

My goal for this year is that we use the ABWA annual theme, Share the Past, Build the Future, as a building block to apply to our group for its new members.

I personally see this year as a challenge to each and every one of you to increase our membership and to enhance the value of ABWA and WE.

I can say the WE Team looks forward to working and sharing with each one of you in this new and exciting year.

**Beverly Turek**  
 2011-2012 President

*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.*



# Meet the 2011-2012 WE Executive Board



**Beverly Turek**  
*President*

Beverly Turek is the founder and CEO of four growing businesses in the Brazos Valley, including Turek's Computer DR and Computer Training Access.

Beverly is the president of the Women of Excellence Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA). She also has served as the vice president and chair-elect on the ABWA Houston Area Council.

She has been named Mentor of the Year by the Stevie Awards for Women in Business three years running. She has also won the ABWA Woman of the Year Award with both the area's Leading Express Network and Women of Excellence Chapter.



**Tina Cornelius**  
*Vice President*

Tina M. Cornelius has been an office manager for Turek's Computer DR for the last year and a half.

She joined the Women of Excellence Chapter of the American Business Women's Association in July 2009 and is a charter member of the group.

Tina served as the 2010-2011 WE membership chair and was the recipient of the 2011 ABWA WE Mentor of the Year Award.



**Shelley Turek**  
*Secretary*

Shelley Turek has worked for Brazos County for 24 years, and she has been the administrative assistant at the Brazos Center for 14 years.

Prior to her position with the Brazos Center, Shelley was the assistant county treasurer for the Brazos County Treasurer's Office for nine years. She has also been an AVON representative since 2008.

In addition to serving as the WE secretary, Shelley co-chairs the Masque & Mingle event. In 2011, Shelley was nominated for the WE Protégé Award.



**Denise Pineda**  
*Treasurer*

Denise Pineda retired from the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) in 2011 where she was a senior research services administrator for the past 28 years. She now provides billing and office assistance for Pineda Remodeling Services.

TTI awarded Denise the Jack Keese Career Achievement Administrative/Technical Support Award in 2000.

She has been an ABWA member for the past nine years, and since 2008, she has served WE as the formation co chair, treasurer and president.

Denise received the 2003 LINC Protégé Award, 2007 LWEN Woman of the Year, 2010 WE Woman of the Year, 2010 President's Choice Award and the 2011 WE Chapter Top Ten Business Woman.



**Women of Excellence Chapter Vision**  
The vision of the Women of Excellence Chapter is to provide leadership opportunities, professional development, reciprocal business opportunities, and assistance to the community through member service.

*The Doctor's In!*



## September Business Highlight

Turek's Computer DR is a small but growing computer company. This business specializes in custom-built computers, repairs and parts for your every computer need.

You can also find an array of Dallas Cowboys football memorabilia in the store! The FUN side to Turek's continues with Dublin Dr. Pepper. The beverage and accessories are sold from the store's location.

### Turek's Computer DR

Tina Cornelius, Office Manager

1702A S. Texas Avenue  
Bryan, TX 77802-1019

(979) 822-7305

[www.turekscomputerdr.com](http://www.turekscomputerdr.com)

## Women of Excellence 'New You' Membership Challenge

Share the Past, Build the Future is ABWA's theme this year, and what a wonderful one it is! Share your past experiences in ABWA with those around you. Let them in on the wonderful things that you have seen, and embrace the future with them.

In the spirit of this year's ABWA theme, I challenge you all to do this: enhance your experience, help our membership grow and share all ABWA has to offer.

The WE member who recruits the most new members this year will be in for a special prize, a 'New You' makeover and shopping spree!

### Eligibility

All current WE members, with the exception of the executive board, are eligible for the grand prize.

***Aimee Woolard is in the lead!***

### Grand Prize

*Boardwalk Hair Salon  
Hair Cut and Blow Dry (\$100 value)*

*Galleria Day Spa  
Royalty Spa Package (\$220 value)*

*Coach Cliff & Elements Massage  
3 Training Sessions  
1 hour massage (\$350 value)*

*Dermataloge  
Facial Gift Basket (\$300 value)*

**AND MORE!**



## ABWA 2011-2012 Theme

Hummingbirds can fly forward or backward with ease. Let's use this as a reminder that we can "fly backward" and appreciate our past, as women and as members of ABWA. We can also "fly forward," carrying the lessons and experience of our past as we seek to define our future together. Hummingbirds are known to wing their way as far as 2,000 miles to reach their destination. This reminds us to be persistent in the pursuit of our dreams and to adopt the tenacity of the hummingbird.

Hummingbirds are tireless, always seeking out the sweetest nectar. In some Native American cultures, hummingbirds are emblems of timeless joy and the nectar of life. They remind us to forever seek out the good in life and the beauty in each day. Let the hummingbird remind us all that this year's theme is to "Share the Past, Build the Future" of ABWA.



# September Member Highlight

**Brittany Hardin**

*Waitress, Cheddars*

Brittany Hardin is a new member this year to ABWA, and we are excited to have her join the group! She attends Blinn College and works at Cheddars.

Please pay her a visit at Cheddars and welcome her to WE!

When you see her, wish her a happy belated birthday – she celebrated her special day on September 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Land Your Dream Job Part I: Write a Killer Resume

Looking to land your dream job? Consider these tips from G-Con Human Relations Coordinator and WE Member Liz Galvan to write a killer resume that will stand out among your competition.

1. Always include a cover letter with your resume. The cover letter should be customized to each job you apply for.
2. Tailor your resume to each open position for which you apply. The employer will be looking to see how your experience relates to the open position.
3. Use quality, white or cream-colored paper.
4. Your resume should be no longer than two pages.
5. Use a professional font such as Arial or Times New Roman and sized no smaller than 11pt.
6. Create an email account just for your job hunt with a professional address. This could be just your first and last name, ex: LizGalvan@gmail.com.
7. Use a chronological resume unless you have no work experience. Use this format for a chronological resume:
  - Header: Include your name, mailing address, phone number and email address.
  - Career summary.
  - Employment history: Emphasize your achievements and start with your current or most recent position and work backwards.
  - Education: No need to list your high school information if you have attended college, a technical school, or pursued other advanced education.
8. Use action verbs. For example, managed, researched, facilitated or administered.
9. Skip the phrase, "References available upon request." This is a given.
10. Do not include any personal information such as your marital status, a picture, your political affiliation, your social security number or your age.
11. Do not include any false information such as being bi-lingual if you are not.
12. Proofread your resume carefully! Have several people look for typos, spelling mistakes, grammatical errors and consistent formatting.

## TUREK'S COMPUTER DR



1702 Texas Ave., Ste. A  
Bryan (979) 822-7305





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10% discount for ABWA, military,  
students, 55+ and Facebook fans  
[turekscomputerdr.com](http://turekscomputerdr.com)

## Pay Up – Online!

WE now accept online credit card payments for ABWA WE events!

To pay by credit card online, visit our website at [abwawe.org](http://abwawe.org) and select the Pay Now button for the event you have registered for.

You can even pay for multiple people at once by increasing the quantity on the payment screen.

A big thanks goes out to our treasurer, Denise Pineda, for setting up this new system!

If you have questions about making your online payment, please contact Denise Pineda or Beverly Turek.

**Beverly Turek**  
President  
[president@abwawe.org](mailto:president@abwawe.org)

**Denise Pineda**  
Treasurer  
[treasurer@abwawe.org](mailto:treasurer@abwawe.org)



ABWAVE is thrilled to welcome the following new members. Please introduce yourself and get to know them at the next meeting.

- **Anna Cordero**
- **Julia Anne Criddle**  
*Shamrock C Ranch*
- **Dora DeJesus**  
*Charles & Sue's*
- **Rhondia Doan**  
*All American Embroidery*
- **Emily Dykes**  
*Texas A&M University*
- **Rachel Dohmann**  
*Pro Social Media & Marketing*
- **Casey Galvan**  
*Catwalk Hair Studio*
- **Brittany Hardin**  
*Cheddars*
- **Amy Payne**  
*The Bank & Trust*
- **Cathy Phillips**  
*The Bank & Trust*
- **Tammy Prieto**  
*Avon*
- **Jonathan Vierus**



## Happy Birthday!

Help us celebrate the August and September birthdays with these very special members.

### August

Elizabeth Archer, 8/7  
Michael Baker, 8/11

### September

David Seaton, 9/7  
Brittany Hardin, 9/13  
Anna Cordero, 9/20  
Addie Russell, 9/22



## Business of the Year Requirements

The Business of the Year is the one that makes the most significant contributions to WE as determined by the Executive Board. The recipient is chosen by quorum vote of the WE Executive Board.

- Significant contributions are defined as both monetary and in-kind donations.
- The business must have contributed door prizes, valued at a minimum of \$10, to at least four monthly meetings
- The business must have sponsored an event or donated silent auction items to the Masque and Mingle event, Awards Gala, or other special events totaling a minimum of \$200.
- The business must advertise in the WE News Flash newsletter.
- The award recipient is not required to be a WE member's business, but it is preferred.
- Contributions will be verified by the Executive Board

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Newsletter Sponsors



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[fundraising@abwawe.org](mailto:fundraising@abwawe.org)

# Meeting Minutes: August

- Denise Pineda, 2010-2011 president, opened the meeting with handing over the gavel to current President, Beverly Turek.
- Liz Galvan gave the ABWA Mission Statement.
- Shelley Turek gave the WE Mission Statement.
- Membership Chair Lisa Lash introduced herself and had members and guests introduce themselves.
- Denise Pineda, treasurer, introduced the guest speaker for the evening, Tina Gandy. Tina is co-owner of Twinzco Marketing & Design in Bryan. Tina holds ABWA National Vice President and is running for National President which will be announced at the National Conference in Irving, Texas, at the end of September.
- Tina Gandy installed the current officers:
- Beverly Turek – President; Tina Cornelius – Vice President; Denise Pineda – Treasurer; Shelley Turek – Secretary;
- Beverly Turek recognized Denise Pineda with an award for her hard work from the past year as president.
- Tina talked about the theme for this year, the hummingbird. The hummingbird can fly forward and backward, up, down and side to side. She talked about ABWA has helped her grow in confidence, leadership and to move forward in her career.
- It was discovered that there are over 380 ABWA members in the B/CS area (Women of Excellence, Leading Women's Express, B/CS Charter Chapter and TAMU Student Chapter). These four chapters are growing faster than any other chapters.

- Beverly Turek introduced the new board and committee members and their co-chairs.
- All present new members were introduced and given an ABWA business card holder.
- There were some changes made to the standing rules for the 2011-
- 2012 year and Beverly Turek asked if anyone had any questions on the revisions. There were no questions, and Patricia Rae made the motion to accept the standing rules as is and Tina Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion passed and the new standing rules were adopted.
- ABWA national by-laws were adopted for the 2011-2012 year.

## Team Reports:

- Tina Cornelius asked the group about the "Flaunt Your Pursesnality" for the National Conference.
- Ann Cordero announced the September speaker, Neil McNeil with The Bank and Trust.
- Patricia Rae said she will be working with all events on getting sponsorships. This is something that we work with her and it is not solely up to her to get all of this done.
- Denise Pineda also reminded the group that if you give at least a \$50 sponsorship of door prizes throughout the year, your business can be nominated for Business of the Year.
- Name Tags – If you would like to purchase a WE name tag, they are \$10.

## August Birthdays - none

## Prizes

- Rose Mesecher, picture tray (drawn from names of those who renewed membership that night or before)
- Most July recruits: Mariette Henley, gift card
- 50/50 winner, Sara Alvarez

## Door Prizes

American Classified, 2 Schlitterbaun tickets, Randy Turek; Women of Excellence, fruity liscious body lotion, Rhonda Dunn; DeCore Fitness, 1 hr fitness of choice, Taylor Vestal with TAMU student chapter; 2 Sisters Gone Crazy, Avon umbrella, Patricia Rae; Computer Access, picture frame, Linda Scroggins; Kesco Supply, set of wine glasses, Brittany Hardin; Cat Walk Salon, gift card \$100 hair consultation, Julia Crittle; Turek's Computer DR, Dublin Dr. Pepper six pack, Casy Galvan; Women of Excellence, ABWA playing cards, Emily Dykes.

## Cupcake Winners

Several members won cupcakes brought for birthday celebrations.

- Computers were available for members to sign up for WIN or the Yahoo group after the meeting.
- Meeting Adjourned.

## [Your Ad Here]

You can advertise your business in the WE newsletter for \$50.

To learn more about advertising with WE, contact Patricia Rae:

[fundraising@abwawe.org](mailto:fundraising@abwawe.org)

## [Your Ad Here]

# WE Build

Join us as WE help build a home for a deserving family with Habitat for Humanity – Circle of Women Build.

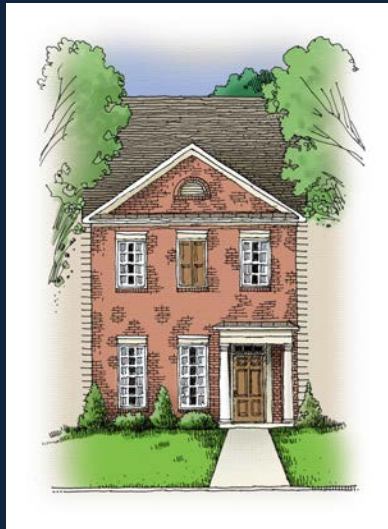
**Location:**  
1493 Cassib, Angel's Gate Subdivision, Bryan, TX DATE &

**Date/Time:**  
Saturday, October 29  
8:00 a.m. - Noon

**What WE are doing:**  
Landscaping

Contact Teri Adamson if you would like to get your hands dirty and join in on the fun!

hospitality@abwawe.org



Women of Excellence CHAPTER

## 3rd Annual Fall Social Masque & Mingle

**La Riviera Restaurant**

**Saturday, October 22, 2011**  
6:00PM TO 9:00PM  
COME AND GO SOCIAL

Get your wristbands now !!  
\$ 27 per person

**Come one and all begins at 6 p.m.**

Contact Terri Gonzales @ 979-571-5364  
or Shelley Turek @ 979-229-5808  
Email: maskandmingle@abwawe.org



**Chuck Konderla**  
*Council Member—Single Member District 3*  
*Owner of Fifth C Fine Jewelry*  
ABWA Women of Excellence Chapter  
5:30 -7:30 pm on October 13, 2011  
Hilton College Station & Conference Center  
801 University Drive East, College Station, Texas  
**RSVP to:** [hospitality@abwawe.org](mailto:hospitality@abwawe.org)

**Presentation Topic:**  
*Effective Public Speaking*

**A little information about our speaker:**

Chuck is the owner of Fifth C Fine Jewelry, a recent winner of a Newman 10 Award and the Single Member District 3 representative on the Bryan City Council.

In service to his community, Chuck is a member of the B/CS Chamber of Commerce, The Better Business Bureau and he works with fund-raising for several non-profit organizations, including St. Joseph School, Brazos Valley Coalition for Life, 40 Days for Life, and the Good Samaritan Pregnancy Center. He has also worked to raise money for children afflicted with cancer, and TREPAC, an organization that protects the real estate economy and works to keep home ownership affordable.



For more information please visit our website at [www.abwawe.org](http://www.abwawe.org)



## Angela Stauder

*Thrive Agility*  
ABWA Women of Excellence Chapter  
5:30 -7:30 pm on November 10, 2011  
Hilton College Station & Conference Center  
801 University Drive East, College Station, Texas  
**RSVP to:** [hospitality@abwawe.org](mailto:hospitality@abwawe.org)

**Presentation Topic:** *Personal Motivation*

**A little information about our speaker:**

Angela Stauder is a coach, speaker, trainer and writer on a mission to help people discover their unique genius and learn to thrive. She believes that we each have genius within us – a unique combination of passions, aspirations, aptitudes and values that make us who we are. When we embrace and learn to dance with our genius – when we show up and be ourselves and stop trying to ‘fit’ in – we have an amazing opportunity to connect, contribute and do work that matters. Because work and life are not two separate things and success is never a solo act.

For the first twenty years of her professional career, she worked in human resources and organizational development leadership roles in a variety of industries in global corporations. She had the good fortune of working with wonderful people in different cities, countries and cultures around the US and across the world. But she decided that to make more dents in the universe, she needed to follow her heart and blaze her own trail.

Since 2009, she has been dedicated to helping people thrive. She supports life-long learners accomplish their goals by aligning their actions with their aspirations and develop more clarity, creativity and confidence. She inspires people to rediscover and embrace their unique genius, to shift their perspective and open to new possibilities, and to deepen their capacity for resilience and contribution to live fuller, more authentic and meaningful lives.

A life-long learner, she has received numerous certifications in training and development programs and tools, including Achieve Global, DDI, Lominger, MBTI and Birkman. Most recently, she completed the rigorous Newfield Network coaching program and the Passion Mapping practitioner programs and is pursuing certification in both.

Originally from the Midwest, she now calls Spring, Texas home, where she and her husband Ralph live with their furry family. In her spare time, she enjoys making earrings, yoga, gardening and learning how to help others thrive.

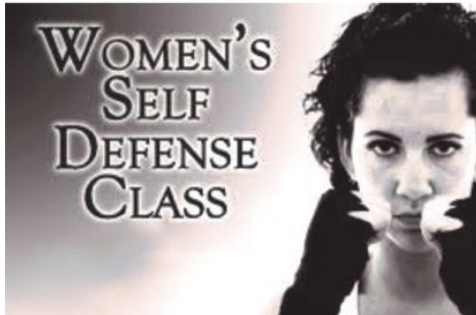


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# WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE CHAPTER 1st Annual Women's Everyday Awareness Seminar



**SAVE THE DATE  
NOVEMBER 12, 2011**

## SPEAKERS & TOPICS

### PERSONAL HEALTH

**Charlie Lima, Owner Boom Fit**

Stress Level, Anxiety, Moods can all have a negative impact on the body and mind. How to be at peace with yourself.

### NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY

**CSPD**

Watch, Listen, Report.

Neighborhood Safety Watch

### INTERNET AND COMPUTER SAFETY

**Aneya Elbert C.O.B. and**

**Kristen Kubenka, TAMU Information Security**

You have to use "common sense"

### SELF DEFENSE

**Regina Rowley, Owner—KUTA Empowered Women**

How to defend yourself against an attacker. Learn the key elements in protecting yourself.

Where: Holiday Inn & Hotel Suites  
2500 Earl Rudder Freeway  
College Station, TX 77840

Time: 8:00 am — 8:50 am Check In / Breakfast  
9:00 am — 5:00 pm Seminar

Cost \$45.00 (includes seminar/materials, breakfast, lunch, and goody bag). **Deadline to register is 11/01/11.**

Please consider **DRESSING COMFORTABLY** since we will be having a hand-on self defense session.

For more information, contact **Liz Galvan, Event Chair** at 979-229-3707 or e-mail [womensdayseminar@abwawe.org](mailto:womensdayseminar@abwawe.org). Please visit our website for a registration form or to pay online, [www.abwawe.org](http://www.abwawe.org).

8:00 am — 8:50 am	Check-in / Breakfast
8:50 am — 9:00 am	Welcome Address & Introduction
9:00 am — 10:10 am	Personal Health
10:10 am — 10:20 am	Break
10:20 am — 11:30 am	Neighborhood Safety
11:30 am — 12:30 pm	Lunch
12:30 pm — 1:40 pm	Internet & Computer Safety
1:40 pm — 1:50 pm	Break
1:50 pm — 3:00 pm	Self Defense (Lecture Session)
3:00 pm — 3:15 pm	Break
3:15 pm — 5:00 pm	Self Defense (Hands-On Session)



Women of Excellence, PO Box 2772, Bryan, TX 77805-2772

## Meeting Minutes: September

- President Beverly Turek called the meeting to order.
- Lisa Lash, membership chair and Aimee Woolard, membership co-chair introduced attending guests for the evening and then all members introduced themselves.
- New members Amy Payne and Rachel Dohmann were given their new ABWA business card holders.
- Guest Speaker, Cal McNeill with The Bank & Trust was introduced. His presentation was on leadership. Whether at work, home or in organizations, leadership is a must for success.
- There were a few changes to the standing rules. A copy was placed on each table. Rose Mesecher made motion to approve the changes, and Aimee Woolard seconded the motion. Changes were approved.
- The 2011-2012 budgets were handed out and were discussed. Aimee Woolard made motion to approve budget as is, Tina Cornelius seconded the motion. The new budget was approved.
- Minutes were not brought from the August meeting. They were not approved at the meeting. It was suggested to email out the minutes and have members “approve” or “not approve” them through email at [vote@abwawe.org](mailto:vote@abwawe.org).
- Kristy Cardova, networking chair, introduced the member of the month, Brittany Hardin.
- Rhondia Doan, networking co-chair, introduced the business of the month, Tina Cornelius with Turek’s Computer DR.
- The following committee members gave updates:

- Fundraising / Sponsorship, Patricia Rae; Membership, Lisa Lash; Hospitality, Teri Adamson; Newsletter, Rachel Dohmann; Awards Gala, Lynda Scroggins.
- Beverly Turek spoke about the November Women’s Awareness Seminar.

### Door Prizes:

Shelley Turek, Avon, foot spa gift set; Kristi Cardova, All American Embroidery, \$25 gift certificate; Lisa Lash, Kesko Supply, whisk set; Rose Mesecher, Dunham Engineering, cammo cap; Teri Adamson, Helms Briscoe, gift basket; Shelley Turek, Avon, hair frizz control; Shelley Turek, Avon, hair frizz control; Terri Gonzales, DeCore Fitness gift certificate.

### Cookie Winners:

Cal McNeill; Renee Roccaforte; Abbie Krolczyk; Rhondia Doan; Aimee Woolard; Denise Pineda.

### Additional Giveaway Winners:

Tina Cornelius, body spray; Amy Payne, Texas A&M mug; Mike Baker, note pad; Beverly Turek, candle.

## Give Grab Bag Goodies

WE will be hosting the 1st Annual Women’s Everyday Awareness Seminar on Nov. 12, 2011.

Networking Chair Kristy Cordova with All-American Embroidery has generously donated 70 totes for the event! WE members are encouraged to contribute business logo items to fill these event grab bags.

There is no cost for WE members to contribute promotional items to the bags. Drop off enough items for 70 totes by 5 p.m. on Nov. 1. This deadline will give the committee enough time to stuff the totes.

Drop off locations:

**Turek’s Computer DR**, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
1702A S. Texas Avenue  
Bryan, TX 77802

**Liz Galvan’s house**, 5 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
3906 Old Oaks Drive  
Bryan, TX 77802

## Thank You, Friendship Sponsors

Thank you to the following businesses for their continued support as Friendship Level sponsors of the ABWA Women of Excellence Chapter.

- All American Embroidery
- American Classifieds
- Catwalk Hair Studio
- Decore Fitness
- Dunham Engineering
- Helms Briscoe
- Kesco Supply, Inc.
- Shelley Turek, Avon
- 2 Sisters Gone Crazy

If your business would like be a friendship sponsor to the Women of Excellence Chapter, advertise in the newsletter or on the website, please contact Fundraising/Sponsorship Chair Patricia Rae [fundraising@abwawe.org](mailto:fundraising@abwawe.org).



## WE Executive Board

### Beverly Turek

*President*

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### Tina Cornelius

*Vice President*

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### Shelley Turek

*Secretary*

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### Denise Pineda

*Treasurer*

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## WE Committee Chairs

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### Robin Neal

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## Calendar of Events

ABWA WE meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month and cost \$21.

Hilton College Station Conference Center

801 University Dr. East

College Station, TX 77840

### October 2011

**13:** WE Membership Meeting, Chuck Konderla - Effective Public Speaking

**22:** WE Masque and Mingle, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., La Riviera Restaurant

**27:** Houston Area Council Quarterly Meeting, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.,  
Sheraton Four Points, Houston

**29:** WE Habitat for Humanity Women Build

### November 2011

**10:** WE Membership Meeting, Angela Stauder - Personal Motivation

**12:** WE Women's Everyday Awareness Seminar, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.,  
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, College Station

**December 8, 2011:** WE Christmas Party, Time & Location TBD

### January 2012

**12:** WE Membership Meeting, Sally Jurica

**26:** Houston Area Council Quarterly Meeting, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.,  
Sheraton Four Points, Houston

### February 2012

**9:** WE Membership Meeting, Rachel Dohmann & Brad Dressler

**TBD:** WE Breakfast Fundraiser

### March 2012

**8:** WE Membership Meeting & Chapter Woman of the Year Presentation,  
Catherine Jewell, Topic TBD

**30-31:** 2012 ABWA Western Regional Conference (Dist. II & VI),  
Oklahoma City, OK

### April 2012

**12:** WE Membership Meeting, Lisa Boesen - How to Engage When the "In"  
Gauge is Low

**26:** Houston Area Council Quarterly Meeting & Chapter Top Ten Presentation,  
5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Sheraton Four Points, Houston

**May 10, 2012:** WE Membership Meeting & Officer Elections

**June 14, 2012:** WE Membership Meeting, Speaker TBD, Topic TBD

### July 2012

**13:** WE Membership Awards Gala

**26:** Houston Area Council Quarterly Meeting, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.,  
Sheraton Four Points, Houston

**August 23, 2012:** WE Membership Meeting & Officer Installation

## ABWA's 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.

## Tell Me Something Good

Have something to share with the ABWA WE membership? Have a business tip, hint or piece of advice? Contribute an article to the newsletter and you could be featured in the next issue!

Don't be intimidated by the writing process! Our newsletter team can help you craft the message you're looking to get across to our members.

So let us in on what we need to know to further our businesses and careers.

Contact Newsletter Chair Rachel Dohmann at [newsletter@abwawe.org](mailto:newsletter@abwawe.org) for more information on how you can be featured in the next newsletter, for article ideas or to submit an article.

## Women of Excellence Chapter Milestones

The Women of Excellence Chapter was formed December 18, 2008. It chartered with over 50 members on July 20, 2009.

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