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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.



Celebrating Black History Month

ABWA is proud to honor Black History Month by celebrating the contributions of **Gladys Delancey-Bolding Ph.D.**

Gladys Delancey-Bolding Ph.D. is an Award Winning Scientist, International STEM Educator and the Founding CEO at BioLogue Laborarim. Gladys instructs a spectrum of young minds from



kindergarten through Pre-Med college students and K-12 educators on Anatomy & Physiology, Botany, Cell Biology & Genetics, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Forensics, and Integrated Science on a continuous basis as well as provide professional development for k-12 educators. Her Curriculum Design client lists includes: Youth

Leadership Academy, TGI TECH program at YWCA of Greater Atlanta, Boy Scouts of America, COG, Inc. and Atlanta Cares Mentoring. She has a Bachelor's of Science in Kinesiology & Exercise Science/Biology, Master's of Science in Molecular Cell and Physiology and a Ph.D. in Curriculum Development/Instruction. Her academic passion for science occurred serendipitously while taking science courses in college. During her rigorous study, Gladys served as a Lead Graduate Assistant at a university and received the coveted Biology Instruction Award. Prior to receiving that honor, she acquired an award for Outstanding Achievement in Biology at another institution and mentored international physicians.

Gladys won the 2020 WIT Women of the Year in Science also served as a judge for the International Science & Engineering Fair and National Society for Black Engineers, a Research Assistant for Emory University, Science Presenter "Cow Eye Dissection" and "Kidney Dissection" on YouTube, a Science Textbook/Lab Manual Revision Reviewer for Wiley & Sons and McGraw Hill, Racial Justice Facilitator for "It's Time to Talk Atlanta", STEM panelist for the Pink Power Conference, Georgia

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Explore

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Excel

The *InspireHer* Chapter vision is to lead through service to inspire motivate and empower every person to be their **BEST SELF.**



Looking Back, Moving Forward

Celnah Colbert, President

Just a short year and a half ago, ABWA InspireHer began its journey. From ideation to reality, we continue to grow and thrive in our vision to, "Lead through service to Inspire, Motivate and Empower every person to be their BEST SELF".

Looking back, together, we have accomplished a roadmap of many successes since chartering in a pandemic. InspireHer success includes providing education at every monthly meeting with incredibly talented guest speakers who share pertinent information that can be leveraged immediately and hosting chapter activities that support networking and building relationships with FUN and SUPPORT being our foundation. We have found ways to give back to the community by volunteering with organizations focused on uplifting and aiding women to provide better for themselves and their families. From Chapter meetings to community events, we have consistently defined our purpose and put our passion in motion to not only improve individually, but also be that support every woman wants and needs to succeed.

Moving forward, and half way through our second year, the momentum to further demonstrate and establish our Chapter is still ever so present, we are excited to share our Chapter direction for 2022. While COVID-19 continues to affect our lives, we are making great strides to host meetings and activities to connect and come together. In 2022, we want to increase opportunities to participate, network, and be social. With exciting new events coming around the corner, like *InspireHer Taste Tour*, a networking opportunity for our members to share a meal and connect at local and neighboring restaurants, *Virtual Pop-Up Shop*, a virtual forum to showcase and support our member business owners, and *InspireHer Business Directory* which will reside on our Chapter website.

We need your help to STAY CONNECTED. Specifically, we need you to attend, volunteer and support Chapter sponsored activities and invite guests. Bring everyone you know! Volunteering is a great way to engage. It strengthens your ties to the community and broadens your support network, exposing you to people with common interests, neighborhood resources, and fun and fulfilling activities. We need help — this is no small undertaking—and it is going to require all of us to SUCCEED.

Coming Soon...

Membership Orientation Program

Membership Monday—Learn about ABWA and InspireHer membership benefits.

When: Mondays (once or twice monthly based on enrollment) / **Attendees:** All members



Membership Mixer

Spring Membership Campaign - Network with existing and prospective InspireHer Chapter members.

When: April 23, 2022 / **Location:** TBD

BRING ALL YOUR FRIENDS!!



Virtual Pop-up Market

InspireHer Chapter entrepreneurs will have the opportunity to connect and market their services and products.

- 2-3 Business Owners per session
- Each presenter is allowed 10 minutes to present
- Breakout Rooms will be setup to allow the presenters to meet privately with attendees to answer questions.

Frequency: Once a month

Target Audience: *Business Participants*-InspireHer Members only

Attendees—Everyone

Target Launch: March 2022

Hosted by:
Community Awareness/Business Owner and
Publicity & Promotions Committees



Tyra Gore named 2022 ABWA InspireHer Chapter Woman of the Year



Tyra Gore, Secretary, InspireHer Chapter of the ABWA was named the first Woman of the Year for the Chapter. This award is a honor and highly respected by ABWA. It is presented to a member who has made notable contributions and outstanding achievements.

Tyra is a charter member and serves on the Executive Board and Fundraising Committee. In her first year of membership, she immediately became involved, completing Apex courses and attending all InspireHer Leadership and Chapter meetings. Tyra has been instrumental in planning and executing successful Chapter annual fundraising events. Tyra has a solid and dedicated work ethic and has demonstrated a commitment to achieving high standards and developing and maintaining positive partnerships.

Tyra Gore currently is the Assistant Emergency Disaster Services Coordinator for The Salvation Army USA, Southern Territory; she manages corporate partnerships, fundraising, and logistics for Emergency Disaster Services. Prior to this role, she served in several emergency management positions with state and local governments. Her experience includes disaster response and special events planning and coordinating Emergency Operations Center activities.

Tyra Spends time serving in the community and works to promote community involvement in neighborhood awareness. She enjoys mentoring youth on making healthy lifestyle choices. She is a native of North Carolina and enjoys visiting the coastal Carolinas as often as possible to spend time with family.

Tyra is the epitome of a well-educated, service minded, and caring professional woman who want to be the best she can be.

Congratulations Tyra!



2023 TOP TEN BUSINESS WOMEN OF ABWA AWARD CRITERIA

Member Requirements

To be considered for this award, the member must:

- ◆ Be a female and currently employed (part or full-time).
- ◆ Have been a member in good standing for at least two consecutive years as of May 15, 2022.
- ◆ Have a primary affiliation with the qualifying league for at least one year as of May 15, 2022.
- ◆ Have served as a league officer and/or committee chair since 2019.
- ◆ Have sponsored at least three members since 2019.
- ◆ Have completed at least one course, earning at least one Apex Certificate in ABWA's Apex Campus from August 1, 2021—May 15, 2022.
- ◆ Have attended at least two nationally sponsored ABWA events (Regional Conference and/or the National Women's Leadership Conference) since 2019.

League Requirements

To sponsor an applicant for this award, the league must:

- ◆ Be chartered and in good standing for a minimum of one year with the American Business Women's Association by May 15, 2022.
- ◆ Ensure applicant selected has a primary affiliation with their league.
- ◆ Submit a copy of the league's meeting minutes reflecting their majority vote/selection of the nominee.

Application must be signed by the league's President and the Top Ten Nominating Committee Chair. If the President is the nominee, a member of the League's Executive Board must sign the application.

Application must be postmarked and submitted by **March 15, 2022**, and mailed to:

**ABWA National
Top Ten Submission
P. O. Box 4757
Overland Park, Kansas 66204-0757**

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Council for International Visitors Delegate, American Business Woman Association (ABWA) 2013-2014 Hidden Hills Chapter Education Chair and 2015 ABWA woman of the year and 2015 Georgia Department of Education Science Reviewer, Spelman PhD Panelist, Girls 2 Women Leadership Symposium Presenter and Black Girls CODE Women of Color STEM Panelist, speaker for 2019 CEISMIC at Georgia Tech STEAM Leadership Conference and Women in Physics Conference at Georgia State University. Her publications include: State of STEM Education, Impacting Girls through Authentic STEM Opportunities, and Bioscience Research Addressing Genetic Diseases like Sickle Cell Anemia.

Training Opportunity

"Unplanned process improvement is wishful thinking."

Sign up for February course from ABWA Campus! **Register by the deadline and have 45 days to complete complimentary course (a \$25 value).**

Process Confirmation - February 1st - 28th, 2022

Process Confirmation is a systematic way to check that standards and control points for critical processes are being followed. It's a simple, visual and time-based activity, which involves going to where the work is actually being done and confirming that it's being done according to the agreed standard. During the 7 modules, learn how the brief, structured and informal audit of our operational standards leads to productive discussions about maintaining and improving.

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

InspireHer Chapter Meeting

February
Saturday, February 19th
10:30AM -12:30PM
10:30 -11:00AM Networking

Guest Speaker:
Barbara Proctor

Topic:
"You Can Get There: 3 Secrets to Advancing your Career"

For More Information
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Upcoming Events

February
ABWA Eastern Regional Conference (Virtual)
February 25-26, 2022

March
ABWA Spring Membership Campaign
March 1-May 31, 2022

Around Town...

Virtual Book Club

Gwinnet County Public Library www.gwinnettp.org>virtual-book-club

Books of the Month

Bewilderment

A novel by Richard Powers, chronicles the tenderly beautiful relationship between Theo, an astrobiologist, and his nine year old son, Robin, following the tragic loss of Alyssa, Theo's wife and Robin's mother.

It's Not All downhill From Here

New York Times bestselling author Terry McMillan has done it again with this lively, perceptive story of the power of women and

the inspiring lives they lead. This novel follows the life of Loretha Curry. On the eve of her sixty-eighth birthday, she has a booming beauty-supply empire, a gaggle of lifelong friends, and a husband whose moves still surprise True, she's carrying a few pounds than she should be, but Loretha is not a woman who thinks her best days are behind her—and she's determined to prove wrong her mother, her twin sister, and everyone else with that outdated view of aging. It's not all downhill from here.



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