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▶ **Chapter Meetings**

Second Monday each month

5:30 p.m. — Networking  
6:00 p.m. — Dinner & Program

Gamber Center  
4 SE Independence Avenue  
Lee's Summit, MO 64063

Members — \$20.00  
Guests — \$20.00

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▶ **Membership Dues**

Annual Chapter Dues \$30.00  
Annual National Dues \$90.00

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

The Lee's Summit chapter of



## Are You Driven?

Do you have what it takes to be a leader in our community? Do you seek opportunities for professional and personal growth? Do you want to associate with women who inspire? If so, then we invite you to take our ABWA chapter for a test drive. Meet our members and see for yourself what benefits an ABWA membership has to offer.

### Chapter Benefits

- ◆ Great networking
- ◆ Opportunities to promote your business
- ◆ Educational opportunities
- ◆ Community service involvement
- ◆ *The Driving Force* bimonthly newsletter

### National Benefits

- ◆ Professional development
  - ◆ ABWA-KU MBA Essentials
  - ◆ ABWA-KU Mngmt Certificate Series
- ◆ Women's Instruction Network (WIN) online learning program
- ◆ *Women in Business*® award-winning bimonthly magazine
- ◆ Scholarship opportunities
- ◆ Special offers and discounts from corporate sponsors

### ABWA Mission

To bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.



### ABWA History

In the 1940s, working women were making new inroads to the business world. Women were changing the face of industry and having a positive economic impact. Hilary A. Bufton Jr., a Kansas City businessman, recognized women's potential, and saw the need for an organization to support and empower them to reach their career goals. As a result, in 1949, Bufton founded the American Business Women's Association. ABWA has dedicated 60 years to women's education and provided workplace skills and career-development training. Professional development remains the cornerstone of ABWA today.

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## *Driven to Succeed*

The Driven to Succeed chapter of ABWA provides opportunities for professional women from Lee's Summit and surrounding areas to make connections. Our monthly dinner meetings consist of a networking period followed by an informative program focused on enhancing professional and personal development.

Annual activities include:

- ◆ A business expo that provides members the opportunity to promote their business.
- ◆ Adoption of a local charitable organization during the holiday season.
- ◆ Participation in Jackson County's Christmas in the Park.
- ◆ Awarding of scholarships to women pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees.
- ◆ Participation in the Emerald Isle Parade to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Events

For information regarding upcoming events, please visit our Web site:

[www.abwadriven2succeed.com](http://www.abwadriven2succeed.com)



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