

## GUEST SPEAKERS & PROGRAMS

Do you enjoy learning? Meetings feature guest speakers and educational programs to enhance members' professional or personal skills and goals. Topics are business relevant, and every meeting includes networking.

### TWO OF OUR 2025 SPEAKERS:



Patricia Duncan  
Dress for Success



Kay Fittes  
High-Heeled Success

## MEMBER RECOGNITION

ABWA members can earn awards and are recognized by their peers. Carol Ann Donnelly and Janice Jones are our 2025 Women of the Year and Karen Kolc (pictured to the right) was our nominee for the ABWA 2026 Top Ten at the national level.



Carol Ann Donnelly



Janice Jones

## CONNECT, GROW, & LEARN



ABWA has an online ABWA community that contains chapter management tools, webinars, and a wealth of resources.

The ABWA Apex Campus offers online training courses in the School of Lean, Six Sigma, Resume Success Formula, and Marketing Tools for Your Business. The skills you develop in ABWA will enhance your career advancement and personal development. Costs, if any, are reasonable. Certificates are awarded upon completion.

## GIVE BACK

Novi Oaks Charter Chapter has provided scholarships for women every year since its founding in 1990. In 2026, we will provide two \$3,000 Impact Scholarships and sponsor one woman for the District V \$2,000 Outright Grant through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund. We will also fund the \$1,000 Bettie Archer Johnson Scholarship at Madonna University, in memory of our chapter's founder. Applications are open now.

On October 24, 2026 we will host our 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Autumn Brunch With Auction. In 2025, we raised \$11,000. Chapter members may also receive funds to attend regional and national ABWA conferences, or money for business skills tuition reimbursement.

## WORK HARD – HAVE FUN – BE SOCIAL!

Members and friends who hosted our October 18, 2026, scholarship fundraiser.



*Novi Oaks' 2026  
Top Ten Candidate*



KAREN WERNETTE KOLC

## PREMIER NATIONAL NETWORK

The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter is part of the national American Business Women's Association (ABWA).



At the National Women's Leadership Conference (NWLC), women from across the country attend seminars and enjoy excellent keynote speakers and entertainment.

In fulfillment of our mission to educate and empower women, Novi Oaks helps cover its members' conference registration!

## CHAPTER MEETINGS

*Meetings feature a program and dinner.*

**WHEN:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

**TIME:** 6:00 pm Networking, 6:30 pm Meeting

**WHERE:** Farmington Community Library  
23500 Liberty St, Farmington, MI 48335

**MEETING COST:** \$22 with dinner / \$10 without

**ABWA NATIONAL DUES:** \$125

**CHAPTER ANNUAL DUES:** \$ 24

## YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US

Learn and practice new skills in organization, delegation, team-building, and making presentations. Connect with others.

Meet friends and cultivate new, supportive, long-lasting relationships.



**VISION:** *Novi Oaks Charter Chapter educates and empowers women by supporting them to achieve their personal best.*

**INTERESTED?** Contact us for information at this e-mail, or attend our next meeting.

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American Business Women's Association

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# NOVI OAKS CHARTER CHAPTER

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