



The Rising Tide
August—October 2017

OCEANSIDE CHARTER CHAPTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Cindy Schmitt, President

How do we help women to tell their story? How do we help individuals understand that they are not alone in their struggles and that all of us have struggles? As women we have many roles throughout our lifetime. One example from this past year which stands out for me, was when Carol Craig shared her story. As a mom, business owner and community leader, she shared insights from her journey and the struggles she has gone through to get to where she is today. From stories like Carol's, we pick up those precious, golden nuggets of insights to help us on our journey. Each of you also has a compelling story of your journey that also contains those golden nuggets to help others on

their journey!

Take a moment. Grab a good cup of coffee or refreshing cup of tea, and sit down for a moment to think about your journey so far. What is your story? What knowledge and insight do you have to share with others that you have learned along the way in your journey? How can you use that knowledge and insight to support and lift up others who are facing similar challenges?

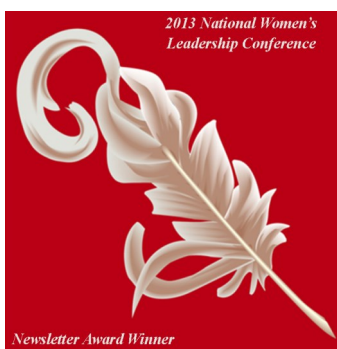
It is important to have a strong support network; one that is there in the good times and the bad, to help celebrate the successes, and lift us up when times are tough. The encouragement and support from our ABWA sisters gives us that nudge to over-

come that obstacle and take the next step.

Over the next year, I would really like to focus on helping members of the chapter tell their stories, and share the knowledge and wisdom from lessons learned, celebrate the successes, and be there for each other in the challenging times. Now there are some who will not want to share their stories. Please understand this too is okay. It is okay to agree to disagree.

Remember, we can climb those mountains together. You are not alone on this journey! And, while we're at it, let's have some fun!

~ Cindy Schmitt



AUGUST FEATURED SPEAKER



Sheriff Wayne Ivey

Sheriff Wayne Ivey has been a Law Enforcement Officer for over 35 years. He is a

Self Defense through Mental Preparedness

graduate of the FBI National Academy 237th Session and has a Bachelor's Degree in Supervision and Management from Daytona State College. His background in law enforcement includes Management, Criminal Investigations, Narcotics, Patrol Services, Public Integrity Investigations, and Corrections.

Prior to being elected in 2012, Sheriff Ivey served the citizens of the State of Florida as the Resident Agent-in-Charge for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. As a member of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Sheriff Ivey developed numerous programs that were not only nationally recognized for their innovation, but were identified as national models to investigate crime.

Sheriff Ivey has testified before the United States Congress on law enforcement related matters and has extensive experience in the area of crime prevention innovation. He

speaks regularly on topics such as Identity Theft, Crime in America, Human Trafficking, Domestic Violence, and Self Defense through Mental Preparedness. He firmly believes that crime prevention and education are vital to reduce our crime rate and protect our community.

Sheriff Ivey was appointed to the Florida Model Jail Standards Committee in 2015 and serves as the Vice Chair of the FSA Cold Case Review Team Program.

He is the recipient of the President's Award for efforts in crime prevention and community awareness from the Florida Crime Prevention Association (FCPA).

Please join us on Tuesday, August 22 as Sheriff Ivey presents his insights on self defense through mental preparedness. As women, we all need a reminder on being aware of our surroundings and how to protect ourselves!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Maria Sulick was born and raised on the Space Coast, where she graduated from Titusville High School, attended Eastern Florida State College (at the time Brevard Community College) and the University of Central Florida, where she studied Business Administration. Maria moved to St. Paul, Minnesota where she started a family and lived for approximately six years. She returned to Brevard County in 1998, moving to Indian Harbour Beach where both her son and daughter attended the local public schools.

Maria was, and still is today, very involved with the Brevard Public school system, where she served in various positions on the Parent and Teachers Organization at Ocean Breeze Elementary, as well as volunteering regularly in the classroom and participating in the mentoring program. During this time, Maria and her sisters acquired a small business in which Maria held the position of Chief Financial Officer. This opportunity led to involvement with the Women's Business Center at FIT, where their company was one of the first

to participate in the business mentor program, now known as IGNITE 360.

After the sale of their family business, Maria began her career in the financial services industry. She also returned to school at Eastern Florida State College and completed her Bachelor's Degree in General Business Management. Maria holds several Financial Service licenses including the FINRA Series 7 and 66, as well as the Florida State Life and Annuity License.

In her free time, Maria enjoys Bikram yoga, tennis, and spending time with her husband, Bill and Springer Spaniel, Molly, as well as the rest of her family, scattered throughout Brevard County and Orlando.

Maria joined ABWA Oceanside in January 2017, and looks forward to serving on the 2017/2018 Executive Board as Vice President and participating in an organization that nurtures the professional and personal growth of our local women.



CHAPTER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership

Please welcome new members, Christina Glore and Catherine Goonen!

Congratulations to Anita Carbone on receiving her 25 year pin from ABWA National!

Newsletter

The Oceanside Charter Chapter Newsletter, *The Rising Tide* is published quarterly at www.abwaoceanside.com and is posted to the online team library at www.abwa.org. Please send newsletter submissions to acarbone@cfl.rr.com. Submission deadlines are published in the Chapter Standing Rules.

Notice to Members

The Chapter will vote to adopt the ABWA Proud Code of Conduct, and approve the 2017/2018 Standing Rules and 2017/2018 Budget at the August 22, 2017 meeting.



August, September & October Birthdays

Carol Hudgens—8/5
 Laura Chiesman—8/21
 Carmen Glasser—9/9
 Sheryl Glore—9/15
 Renee Hahn—9/21
 Madeline Fielding—10/23
 Mary Rach—10/23



Publicity

Chapter monthly meeting information is published in Florida Today as well as the online Community Calendar of the Cocoa Beach Regional Chamber of Commerce and Melbourne Regional Chamber of Commerce websites. Please email Laura Chiesman at laurachiesman@gmail.com, if you have photos or information for our Facebook page.



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ABWA EVENT CALENDAR

August 8

Oceanside Charter Chapter Executive Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

August 22

Oceanside Charter Chapter Dinner Meeting
Networking at 6:00 p.m. & Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
Eau Gallie Yacht Club, Indian Harbour Beach
Guest Speaker: Sheriff Wayne Ivey

September 9

Tri-County Council **29th Annual ABW Day Celebration**
Embassy Suites, 17th Street Causeway, Ft. Lauderdale.
For more information or to register, please visit <http://www.abwatricounty.org>.

September 12

Oceanside Charter Chapter Executive Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

September 12

Space Coast Women Express Network Meeting
Networking & Lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Eau Gallie Yacht Club, Indian Harbour Beach

September 26

Women of Many Hats!

Networking at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
Eau Gallie Yacht Club, Indian Harbour Beach

October 10

Oceanside Charter Chapter Executive Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

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Eau Gallie Yacht Club, Indian Harbour Beach

October 11-14



October 24

Oceanside Charter Chapter Dinner Meeting
Networking at 6:00 p.m. & Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
Eau Gallie Yacht Club, Indian Harbour Beach

COMMUNITY EVENTS

August 24

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\$75.00
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BUSINESS & LEADERSHIP SUMMIT
August 24, 2017 - 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. - The Henegar

Interesting Stories from Interesting Women

OVER 300 ATTENDEES
WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Corporate C-Level Business Executives
Small-Medium Sized Business Owners
Business Professionals
Early Career Professionals

FEATURING
MEDIA ENTREPRENEUR
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Alecia Blattler
Nonprofit and Social Justice Ninja, Director of Workplace Giving at United Way of Brevard

Carol Craig
Serial Entrepreneur, Founder and CEO at Craig Technologies

MELBOURNE MAIN STREET

Support our local small businesses!
Eat, Shop and Play

Join us after IMPACT as we take an evening stroll to historic downtown Melbourne where you will find quality shopping, dining and entertainment following the event.

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August 26

Save the Date!

Swanky SOLE

3rd Anniversary Party
ART & SOLE
One Night Only at
DEREK GORE'S GALLERY

Saturday August 26th, 2017, 6:30-9:30 pm
Benefiting Friends of Sally's House

For tickets and to RSVP, call Veronica Weiss: 321-317-0821
General admission \$25 | Runway Seats \$100



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American Business Women's Association

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.

**OCEANSIDE CHARTER CHAPTER
MEETING INFORMATION**

Location:

Eau Gallie Yacht Club
100 Datura Drive
Indian Harbour Beach, FL

Date & Time:

Fourth Tuesday of the month
6:00 p.m. Networking
6:30 p.m. Dinner & Meeting

Cost:

\$30 for Members & \$35 for Guests

Reservations are required. Please contact:

reservations@abwaoceanside.com

or

Online at www.abwaoceanside.com

Vision Statement

ABWA Oceanside Charter Chapter is dedicated to enhancing the personal and professional lives of local women. Building strong personal relationships between Chapter members provides a safe, supportive environment for members to grow and develop. The focus on leadership, continuing education and community involvement positions our Chapter as the premier women's business organization in Brevard County.

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 By-laws.
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
6. Members will strive for excellence in their profession by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members.