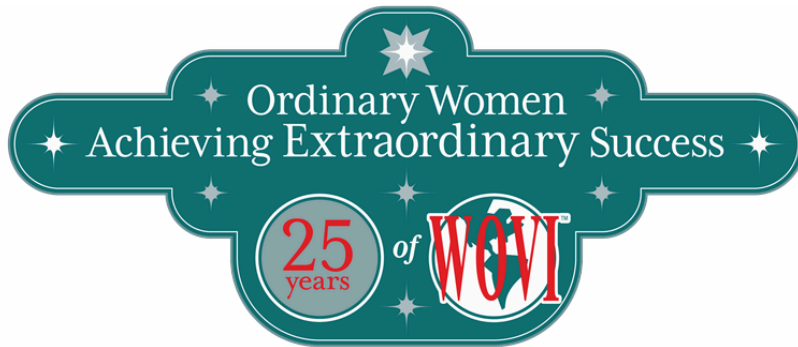
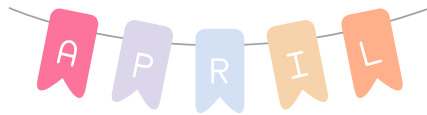


Spring 2Q Edition

April 2026



## Upcoming WOVI Events



### April

Chapter meetings

Sat Apr 11 – WOVI’s Annual Conference for Women –  
9-12 noon CT

### May

Chapter Meetings



### June

Chapter Meetings

WOVI Meet and Greet, 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
(Watch WOVI communications for details to come!)



*The WOVI Vision is the quarterly newsletter from Women of Visionary Influence, created for our members. Each issue features inspiring articles and updates, including messages from the Executive Team, highlights from recent and upcoming events, the Mentor Minute, Chapter Corner news, and updates on InterestRings activities.*



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### Update on InterestRings!

from Pauline Shirley

Hello WOVI Sisters;

WOVI is writing a book on mentoring.

- WHO? Members of WOVI
- WHY? To use by the Chapters as a gift to the speaker, at our meetings.
- WHAT KIND OF BOOK? An Anthology

What is an anthology? It is a book that contains multiple chapters, each written by a different person.

Do you want to be a part of the anthology? Simply write a short story, ten pages or fewer, on the topic of Mentoring.

Each contributor will write on the “how to” of Mentoring. What works, for you, on the process of mentoring or being mentored? And, why should you be a mentor? Two very important questions. How has Mentoring can changed your life?

Who will buy this book? Someone who is mentoring or will be mentored, at work or somewhere else. Also, someone who has been assigned a mentor, will learn how to be a good mentee. Reading this book will illustrate the how to of Mentoring.

The content of this book will not come from WOVI’s material; it will come from your own experiences in mentoring.

What will you be required to do?

- Provide approximately ten to twelve pages edited and ready to print.
- A black and white photo of yourself
- A short one-paragraph bio.

Next Step: email or call me of your intent to participate, or if you have any questions Email: [PaulineSchultetusShirley@gmail.com](mailto:PaulineSchultetusShirley@gmail.com)  
Call: 214-450-6075

We will have a ZOOM meeting once we have committed participants. In the meantime, contact me with any questions. I will also send out more details when I have received your interest in being a part of this special endeavor.

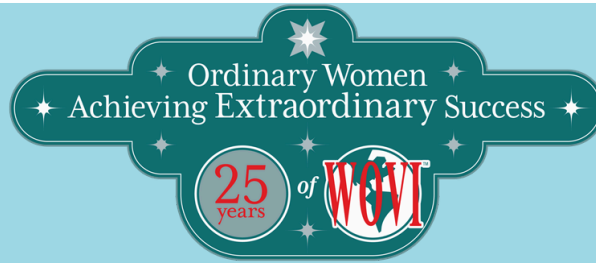
This special opportunity is unique to WOVI.

With love to all,  
Pauline Shirley  
WOVI Founder and  
Chairman of the Board

*Pauline Shirley*



# The Board President - Monnica Rose



Hello WOVI Women,

Our WOVI vision continues to center on a powerful truth: ordinary women, when equipped with the right environment, support, and opportunities, achieve extraordinary success. Through our collective efforts, we have seen this come to life across every chapter. Our Leadership Summit reinforces this vision, highlighting not only the importance of skill development and strategic thinking, but also the value of connection, mentorship, and stepping confidently into leadership roles. The energy and engagement demonstrated in this event is a clear indicator that our organization is not only growing in numbers, but in impact.

Our recent Women of Visionary Influence (WOVI) Membership Growth Contest stands as a tangible example of what is possible when we align around a shared goal. Every chapter rose to the challenge, each welcoming at least one new member into our community. This is more than a metric, it reflects intentional outreach, strengthened visibility, and a commitment to expanding opportunities for more women to grow and lead. Coupled with this momentum is the continued development of initiatives like the LeadersRing, which creates space for emerging and established leaders to collaborate, refine their voice, and elevate their influence.

As we look ahead, the opportunity before us is clear. WOVI is not just an organization, it is a leadership incubator. Whether through chapter roles, program facilitation, mentorship, or strategic initiatives, every member has a pathway to grow and lead. These opportunities are not reserved for a select few; they are available to every woman willing to step forward. When we embrace this, we bring our theme to life; demonstrating that extraordinary success is not defined by where we start, but by the courage to grow, contribute, and lead together.

With appreciation and confidence in all that we will accomplish together,

Sincerely,  
Monnica B. Rose  
WOVI Board President



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Monnica".

# The Pauline Shirley Mentor of the Year October



# WOVI Christmas 2025



WOVI Inc hosted a Virtual Christmas Talent Show



WOVI AMC Hosted a Grinchy Christmas lunch in Grapevine



## January LeadersRing



## January LeadersRing

Chapter leaders gathered on January 20, to train, collaborate, and chart a clear path for Chapter success in 2026. This annual leadership session brought together officers from across WOVI to strengthen skills, share best practices, and align on the standards that support thriving chapters.

By the end of the session, participants left with renewed energy, deeper insight into their office, and a shared commitment to creating extraordinary experiences for their members in 2026.

The next LeadersRing will be on July 25. All WOVI members are invited and encouraged to attend. Watch for future announcements. See you there!



**REGISTER NOW FOR THE CONFERENCE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026**



Ordinary Women  
Achieving Extraordinary Success

25 years of WOVI

WOMEN OF VISIONARY INFLUENCE

2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN

Women, Our Stories Are Extraordinary -  
Unleashing the Extraordinary in Every Woman's Story

WOVI Women of Visionary Influence  
www.wovi.com

09:00 AM - 12:00 NOON CT  
8 AM - 11:00 AM MT  
10 AM - 1:00 PM ET

SATURDAY  
11 APRIL, 2026

Step into a morning designed to ignite your spirit at the 2026 WOVI Annual Conference for Women — a celebration of the truth that ***Women, Our Stories Are Extraordinary***. On April 11, 2026, 9 am - 12 noon CT/ 8 am - 11am ET/ 10 am - 1 pm MT.

You'll hear from three inspiring speakers: Mary Ann Faremouth, guiding us toward ***Finding Your North Star***; Julie Chance, sharing ***The Extraordinary Leadership Mindset***; and, joining us from London, Dr. Bindu Bodanapu, leading us to ***Awaken the Goddess Within***. Together, they'll take you on a journey of clarity, courage, and possibility.

This uplifting event invites you to reconnect with your inner wisdom, honor the strength in your story, and unleash the extraordinary woman you already are. Our presenters will encourage you to step beyond your comfort zone, break free from limitations, and move confidently toward your goals.

Join us for our Annual Conference. We warmly welcome guests and encourage all women to register and attend. We look forward to seeing and meeting you on Zoom.

And Unleash your EXTRAORDINARY !





How do Mentors and Mentees ensure their relationship stays strong, vibrant and meaningful?

Three things are critical to the success of a strong Mentoring relationship:

- Honesty and open dialogue with each other.
- Time devoted to learning from each other. Regular, ongoing Mentor-Mentee conversations. It takes time to build a trusting relationship.
- Gratitude felt and expressed, for the value your Mentor or Mentee brings to your life

Make the most of your Mentor-Mentee learning and connecting opportunities!

**Jyo Pai**  
**Vice President of Mentoring**  
**WOVI Management Council**



Mentoring is the *heartbeat* of WOVI.



## WOVI AMC: A Powerful Start to 2026

WOVI AMC stepped boldly into the New Year with connection, inspiration, and a renewed commitment to extraordinary growth.

**January:** Rising into the New Year, we opened on January 9 with an energizing virtual meeting featuring guest speaker Conda Ross, who delivered a powerful message on “Rise, Extraordinary Women.” Her words set the tone for the year—encouraging us to elevate our voices, our confidence, and our belief in what’s possible.

Welcoming a familiar face, we were delighted returning member Heidi Giddan, rejoined AMC in January. Her presence adds even more strength and wisdom to our chapter.

**February:** We focused on love, creativity, and commitment on February 14. AMC met in person for a special combined meeting and ArtistRing event. Hosted in the warm and welcoming home of Carnita Burnett, the gathering blended creativity with heartfelt connection.



Our guest speaker, MeLissa Gayle Searles, shared an inspiring message that complemented the spirit of the day. Members exchanged valentines, created a valentine for themselves, and made meaningful Pinky Promises—commitments to wholeness, self-care, and trust. It was a beautiful reminder that love begins with how we honor ourselves. It was the perfect message for women who give so much and are learning to give themselves permission to slow down and choose with intention.

**Looking ahead:** As we move into spring, excitement is building for WOVI’s Annual Conference for Women on April 11, a morning dedicated to celebrating extraordinary stories and empowering every woman to unleash her brilliance. The conference will replace our regular meeting.

We will meet in May with another ArtistRing, in-person gathering: *Painting Lilly's*. We will continue the momentum of connection, creativity, and community. WOVI AMC ArtistRing activities are open to all WOVI members in the DFW area. Watch for the announcement and join us if you can!

Warmly submitted,  
Debra Sanford  
WOVI AMC President





### WOVI North Dallas Chapter - Winter/Spring 2026

#### Speaker Joins WOVI North Dallas!

We are delighted to announce that our January 2026 speaker, Rhonda Green, has joined WOVI North Dallas. Recruited by Monnica Rose to present *Have You Ever Asked?*, Rhonda relayed information on her past experiences and offered valuable insight, wisdom, and information about mental health issues, specifically about depression.

Of great significance, she informed us that 988 (not 911) is a nationwide Suicide & Crisis Hotline. Please put this in your phone and tell your friends about it. Professional counselors answer the phones 24/7. Indeed, it may be the first step in saving a life! Be prepared!

Our MentoRing on countering negativity produced some very good ideas and left us feeling rather positive! By the way, Rhonda is an author with a Sunrise/Sunset series and a new book coming out soon called *Behind the Smiles*. Check out [rhondagreenspeaks.com](http://rhondagreenspeaks.com) for details.

Our February 2026 meeting featured Nadya Tatsch teaching us about *Self-Care in the Vortex*. Her main points were 1) Self-care is not negotiable, and methods are flexible; 2) New information is part of the process of letting go of old, ineffective ways; and 3) Think of your goals as stepping stones not as the ultimate, final destination. It takes three months for new neuropaths to grow in our brains, so give yourself time!

We met IN-PERSON for our March 2026 meeting. Former member, Melissa Doan-Medina, guided us through *Who Do You Want To Be?* Tracking our thoughts and feelings, and subsequent actions is paramount to become our best self. We can't wait to see some transformations in the WOVI North Dallas Chapter! Stay tuned!

Janet Wilemon, President  
WOVI North Dallas





*VC Prime will always be virtual with members attending from all across the nation.  
From Canada to Texas, and Utah to New Jersey!*

## WOVI VC-Prime February/ March Chapter News

WOVI VC-Prime had an extraordinary guest speaker in February 2026. Susan Starr, the Associate VP of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, whose role it is to manage the annual Tunnel 2 Towers run started initially in memory of firefighter Stephen Siller, who died on 9/11 during rescue attempts. The annual run starts in Brooklyn and ends in the Towers in Manhattan with nearly 50,000 runners.

In March, our members and guests watched an impactful TEDx talk by Loretta LaRoche, a stress management expert. “*How to Humor Your Stress*” elicited laughter, sharing our personal coping strategies for stress, and many takeaways.

VC-Prime has added one new member, Misty Shepard, as a direct result of the new member discount campaign that was extended to February. With 11 active members in the Chapter, each member is working with their assigned mentor and mentee.

Submitted by Jyo Pai, President  
WOVI VC-Prime



## WOVI WritersRing



Inspiring writers with encouragement, resources, and tips

### Unleash your Story - Join the WritersRing! WHY?

Because writing isn't just about publishing a book. It's about healing. It's about truth-telling. It's about legacy.

So, grab your favorite notebook, bring your voice, and join us for the next WOVI WritersRing. Your words matter. Let's write them into the world — together.

For questions or to be added to our email list, please contact:  
Miste Anders-Clemons  
WOVI WritersRing and HealthRing Facilitator (682) 551-8243. Please use both of the following emails:  
mistemanders@gmail.com and miste.wovi@gmail.com (Thank you!)

## WOVI HealthRing



Dedicated to the Health of All Women

WOVI HealthRing is more than a wellness check-in — it's a life-giving space to pause, learn, and grow with women who believe in balance, joy, and thriving together.

Monthly: Join the WOVI HealthRing *Empowering Women's Well-Being*.

It is a supportive community dedicated to helping women improve their overall health and well-being. We understand the challenges of health journeys, and we're here to provide a safe space to share experiences and lift one another up.

Meeting ID: 830 8481 4867

Password: health (all lower case)

Join us and don't miss the fun, the WOVI HealthRing is on the 3rd Friday of every month, at 7pm CT / 8pm ET.

Come as you are — and leave feeling better than you arrived.

# Save the Date - May 9 Join AMC for another ArtistRing - Panting Lilly's!

## WOVI AMC - ArtistRing Activity

February 14 - An ArtistRing - GALENTINES Event - AMC met in person., with speaker, exchanged Galentines and made Valentine Cards to ourselves with a Pinky Promise.



# Save the Date - May 9, Join AMC for ArtistRing - Painting Lilly's!

That's a wrap for this edition— we're so glad you're part of WOVI. Together, we turn vision into something extraordinary. Until next time, Be bold, be brilliant, and be your own extraordinary!

*Thank you for reading!*

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