

**ABWA League City Charter Chapter  
Federation of Houston Professional Women Delegate Report  
April 27, 2009**

The Federation of Houston Professional Women (FHPW) held their second quarterly meeting on Monday, April 27, 2009. Many turned out despite flooding rains. The meeting guest speaker Beverly Denver, Editor and Publisher of Houston Woman Magazine, talked about having *passion* in your life. Her personal story of how she became a journalist was inspiring and demonstrated the importance of having mentors or someone in life to help you realize your *calling*. Beverly emphasized individuals may realize their calling at a young age, while others may not discover their passion until later. Beverly's talking point centered on success is an outcome of loving what you do, letting others know your passion, and having community awareness. Five years ago the premiere issue of Houston Woman Magazine rolled off the press and into the hands of thousands women throughout Houston. Today, HWM is a successful magazine educating and empowering women. Be sure to visit Beverly on Facebook, read her blogs, and check out the HWM at [www.houstonwomanmagazine.com](http://www.houstonwomanmagazine.com).

Pat Davion, FHPW 2009 President conducted the formal business meeting. The theme this year is *Women Standing Strong and Working Together*. Pat challenged delegates to bring as many of their membership as possible to FHPW so everyone can get involved to share ideas, experiences, and best practices.

FHPW Awards Gala Director Bee Franks-Walker, discussed the Woman of Excellence Gala. Bee acknowledged the 2009 WOY recipients. Beth Caplan asked members to take the Scholarship Winner Ticket Challenge to help the Education Foundation to the Gala Committee. The Ticket Challenge gives every member a way to participate and help raise funds for worthy female students who want to further their education. The 2009 Woman of Excellence Gala will be held:

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2009  
5:30PM- RECEPTION/SILENT AUCTION  
6:30 PM DINNER/EVENTS  
HYATT REGENCY  
1200 LOUISIANA STREET  
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002  
(713) 654-1234**



Woman of Excellence Recipients in attendance at the April 2009 Quarterly Meeting.

To discover more information about the FHPW and members' organizations visit <http://www.fhpw.org>. The next meeting is Monday, July 27, 2009, at the H.E.S.S. Building, 5430 Westheimer, Houston, Texas 77056. 81 .501.4600. Networking begins at 5:30 PM; Dinner/Program starts at 6:15 PM. You do not have to be a delegate to attend this networking opportunity.