

President's Message

Hello from sunny Ankeny,

As we roll into August and start gearing up for fall, I've been reflecting on what a successful year it's been for our WTS Iowa Chapter. We've been busy, and it shows!

- Our partnership with the Iowa DOT helped grow our membership (welcome to all our new members!).
- We hosted an inspiring webinar with speaker Rachel Eslick. Shoutout to the events team for putting this great webinar together.
- Our sponsorship committee created a new sponsor structure with even more benefits.
- And we launched our annual chapter student scholarships.

There's even more to look forward to:

- Find us at STEM Day at the Iowa State Fair on **Sunday, August 17**. We'll be sharing our love for transportation and STEM careers.
- We're launching a new peer-to-peer mentoring program called **Growth Partners**. More details soon.
- Don't miss our **Fall Membership Event, Leadership at All Levels**, on Sept. 4.
- Our Executive Board is starting to plan for the next term. Now's a great time to start thinking about joining our leadership team.
- And of course... **Gala season** is right around the corner!

Serving as your chapter President has been such a rewarding experience. I've learned so much and had the pleasure of working alongside some truly inspiring people. If you're curious about board roles or just want to get more involved, don't hesitate to reach out to any of us on the Executive Board, and be sure to follow us on LinkedIn to stay in the loop.

Hope to see you soon!

- *Jacqui DiGiacinto*

President, WTS Iowa

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Stop by the WTS Iowa booth on **STEM Day at the Iowa State Fair** on Sunday, August 17. This family-friendly event at the State Fair's Grand Concourse provides kids with opportunities to learn about how STEM touches our lives daily and to experience hands-on activities from organizations across the state. **We're looking for volunteers to inspire kids to love STEM!** [SIGN UP HERE.](#)

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Join WTS Iowa at the 2025 Fall Membership Event "**Leadership at All Levels**" on Thursday, September 4, 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the Cellar Winery, Madrid, Iowa. Come network, ask questions and gain insight from a panel of WTS Members that are leading at all levels of their organizations. **SAVE the DATE** and we hope you can join us! Cost: \$10

NEW SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES NOW INCLUDE GALA TICKETS

We're pleased to announce an exciting update to our sponsorship program. Beginning this fall, WTS Iowa sponsorship levels will include tickets to our highly anticipated Annual Gala.

This change reflects our commitment to offering even greater value and visibility for our partners, while ensuring they are part of the evening that celebrates the best in transportation.

If you would like to become a Corporate Sponsor, click here or contact the Sponsorship Committee Chair, Blake Walter at BLAKE.WALTER@FHUENG.COM.

Thank you to our 2025 sponsors! Your support has made a meaningful impact on our events, scholarship program, and professional development efforts. We look forward to growing with you in 2026.

Looking Ahead: 2026 BOARD OPPORTUNITIES

WTS Iowa is looking for passionate, committed members to step into leadership roles next year. Serving on our Board of Directors is a rewarding way to shape the future of the chapter, build connections, and elevate your professional journey.

Several positions will be open for the 2026 term. If you're interested (or know someone who'd be a great fit) stay tuned for our official call for nominations this fall.

Never served on a board before? No worries. We'll support you every step of the way. It's a great way to meet awesome people, grow your leadership skills, and have a voice in shaping events and programs.

Together, let's continue advancing women in the transportation industry.

WTS ON THE Move

WTS Iowa was thrilled to join other WTS chapter members at the ITE/WTS Central Region Annual Conference.



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