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# Your IWF Idaho News

February 2021

### **IWF Idaho Events**

We closed 2020 in December with a virtual Happy Hour. It was the perfect way to celebrate the joy of technology that made our IWF programs possible, and kicked off 2021 programming with Peggy Grove sharing her research on the indigenous women of Australia with Women Inscribed and Dr. Evelyn Johnson's work to improve Arabic literacy. Both programs are available in our online archives, as are all our programs.

We have received wonderful comments from members regarding the quality and diversity of our programs in 2020. It is all due to the willingness of our members to share their knowledge and experiences. We invite our new members, as well as all members, to please

explore the archives and let the Program Committee know if you would share part of what makes you very special as an IWF-Idaho member with the rest of us.

Follow our <u>annual calendar of events</u> for news on upcoming events.

Thanks to all, Evelyn Self, Program Chair

### **Events in Review**

## **Women Inscribed**

by Dr. Peggy Grove



Thank you, Dr. Peggy Grove!

On Thursday January 14th, Dr. Peggy Grove presented on her research involving the artistic history of Ancient Aboriginal People. The images recorded on the rock faces on this private Aboriginal land were photographed by the author over ten years of living with the Aboriginal people in the stone country of northern Australia. These images, plus songs, dances, and rituals of ancient Australians have been found to give the world a completely

new understanding of the cultural history of women and their importance in discovering and populating new lands.

## **Global Collaboration to Improve Arabic Literacy**

by Dr. Evelyn Johnson



Thank you, Dr. Evelyn Johnson!

On Wednesday January 27th, Dr. Evelyn Johnson discussed her research working on improving Arabic Literacy with several IWF Idaho members. Thank you for sharing with us!

## **Upcoming Virtual Events**

<u>Water Wisdom - How water can guide us towards deeper self-awareness and enhanced agility, balance, and clarity</u>

When: Wednesday, February 17th from 4:45pm to 6:00pm

**Hosted By:** Wendy Pabich

**Zoom Link:** https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/83142940985?

pwd=elYoeUZ6QXA3WTNncopiNopDMk5EZzo9

Meeting ID: 831 4294 0985

**Password:** 024042

Please use the Paperless Post Invitation to RSVP to this event.

#### **Legislative Update**

When: Friday, March 5th from 5:15pm to 6:30pm

Hosted By: Senator Michelle Stennett and Representative Muffy Davis

**Zoom Link:** https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/85031873237? pwd=eHNkVmtmQVAoZXkwVHNURnpWNzhBQTo9

**Meeting ID:** 850 3187 3237

Password: 777578

Please use the Paperless Post Invitation to RSVP to this event.

#### **Resilient Boise**

When: March 11th

Hosted By: Mayor Lauren McLean

Please watch for the Paperless Post Invitation with more detail, Zoom information, and to RSVP to this event.

#### The Pandemic and Beyond

When: Thursday, March 18th from 5:45pm to 7:00pm

Hosted By: Odette Bolano, President and CEO of St. Alphonsus

**Zoom Link:** https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89128882190?

pwd=NUVGVkRibow1NlJPalBmZFZZay8rQTo9

Meeting ID: 891 2888 2190

Password: 248507

#### Please use the Paperless Post Invitation to RSVP to this event.

#### **Virtual Cocktail**

When: Friday, April 2nd from 5:30pm to 7:00pm

**Zoom Link:** https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/85177136570?

pwd=T3BhaTk2OUdmNHU2SHBVNohSbldiQTo9

**Meeting ID:** 851 7713 6570

**Password:** 766243

Please use the Paperless Post Invitation to RSVP to this event.

#### Join Our New IWF Idaho Book Club

The Book Club will meet on February 18th at 7pm to discuss "A Promised Land," by former President Barack Obama. This promises to be a great discussion. We encourage those who might be interested to join our group. Please RSVP to <u>Jennifer Wilson</u>.

When: Thursday, February 18th at 7:00pm

Zoom Link: <a href="https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86273071413?">https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86273071413?</a>

pwd=Y1UwTXFqektlMlFUWjFlOVdYTVRFZzo9

Meeting ID: 862 7307 1413

Passcode: 232582

## Collecting Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion Resources

The IWF Idaho Board is in the process of developing and collecting resources to discuss and share regarding diversity, equity, accessibility, and inclusion in our community and chapter. This may include engaging with experiences as well as resources. If you have any ideas to share, please reach out to one of the board members. We would love to hear from you!

## Don't Forget to Pay Your 2021 Membership Dues!

Every member should have received a 2021 Membership Dues Invoice to their email. Please use the link attached to pay your dues if you have not already, as they were due by December 31st. If you have any questions, please reach out to <a href="Mackenzie">Mackenzie</a> or <a href="Randi">Randi</a>. Thanks!

## **Member Spotlight**

### New 2021 IWF Idaho Members

IWF Idaho is lucky to be welcoming a number of new members to our chapter this year, including Lisa Cooper, Alicia Estey, Odette C. Bolano, Linda Trout, Beena Mannan, Sarah Sentilles, and Suzanne Stone. Profiles on each of our new members will be featured over the coming months.

**Lisa Cooper** 



Lisa Cooper is Founder and President of Figure 8 Investment Strategies, a Boise-based investment advisory firm dedicated to sustainable, responsible, and impact investing. Figure 8 provides financial planning, advice, and investment management to valuesaligned clients across the U.S. Figure 8 operates as a Certified B Corporation, is independent and employee-owned, and brings a uniquely inclusive multicultural perspective to its work. With 25+ years of leadership at the intersection of investing and social impact - including key roles at Smith Barney Asset Management in New York (now Clearbridge Investments) and Trillium Asset Management in Boston - Lisa is a deep believer in the power of business to influence social change. Lisa is also co-founder of Global Talent, a nonprofit program enabling skilled refugees and immigrants to reclaim professional careers in the US. In addition, she has served on multiple local and national non-profit boards, including those of the Ecological Development Fund, The Forum for Sustainable & Responsible Investment, Verite' and Radio Boise. Lisa currently serves on the board of MoFi, a Community Development Financial Institution that provides financing and consulting to transform lives and communities across underserved areas of the Rocky Mountain West. Lisa holds an MBA from the Wharton School at the University

of Pennsylvania, a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from California State Polytechnic University, and is a Certified Financial Planner® and Chartered Financial Analyst®.

#### **Suzanne Stone**



Suzanne Asha Stone is the Founding Director of the International Wildlife Coexistence Network working to provide expert interdisciplinary assistance, training, collaboration, and shared research to enable communities around the globe to coexist with wildlife. From caring for and releasing the first wolves of the Yellowstone Idaho reintroduction, to working side by side with ranchers to test nonlethal alternatives and create the Wood River Wolf Project, to standing on the Israeli Syrian Border in the Golan Heights howling across a mine field to a wolf standing on the other side, Suzanne has been on the front lines of wildlife protection since 1988. Often her work placed her at the heart of the sociopolitical war over the return of the wolf where she recognized that wolves would never escape human persecution without viable coexistence alternatives. As a researcher, she aided in developing coexistence strategies for wolves that have been adopted globally and is cofounder of the Wood River Wolf Project in Idaho. The Wood River Wolf Project is one of

the first landscape level coexistence demonstration projects in the world and has documented the effectiveness of nonlethal proactive methods to protect livestock in forested ecosystems without traditional lethal control of wolves and other predators.



#### **Linda Trout**

The Honorable Linda Copple Trout is a retired Chief Justice of the Idaho Supreme Court who continues to serve the Idaho courts in the capacity of Senior Judge. Justice Trout graduated in 1973 from the University of Idaho with a Bachelor of Arts degree, and in 1977 received a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Idaho College of Law. Upon graduation from law school, Justice Trout joined a Lewiston, Idaho law firm where she was engaged in the private practice of law for six years. In 1983, Justice Trout was appointed to the position of Magistrate Judge and in 1990, she was elected to the position of District Judge in Idaho's Second Judicial District. In 1992, she was appointed by Governor Cecil

Andrus to be the first woman justice on the Idaho Supreme Court. She was elected by the Supreme Court to the position of Chief Justice and served two consecutive terms from 1997 to 2004. She retired in 2007 and, thereafter, was appointed by the Supreme Court to serve as the Interim Administrative Director of the Courts, a position she held from 2014-2016. Past board service includes the Boards of Directors of Crane Creek Country Club, the Lewiston City Library, Northwest Children's Home, the Lewiston YWCA, the Conference of Chief Justices and the National Association of Women Judges. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for Blue Cross of Idaho and for the University of Idaho Foundation and is a commissioner on the Idaho Public Defense Commission and the Governor's Medal of Achievement Commission.

## **Current Member Spotlight**

### IWF Idaho Board Member, Gloria Totoricagüena



Dr. Gloria Totoricagüena (PhD London School of Economics), is a native Idahoan, a Rotary International Graduate Fellow to Uruguay, and a public policy, project management and political consultant living in Boise. She is a world renowned and awarded Basque diaspora and identity expert. During her academic career at Stanford University and University of Nevada, Reno, she won separate awards for her teaching, her research and her numerous publications. The most comprehensive quantitative database on the Basque diaspora is a result of Totoricagüena's fieldwork conducted in 43 Basque communities, in six countries. She transferred to the private sector and was selected by the Office of the Presidency of the Basque Government in Spain to design and direct an international think tank on socioeconomic policy issues. She has also coordinated two international trade missions between Idaho and the Basque Country. Gloria is the President of two woman-owned smallbusiness consulting firms, Transnational Initiatives, focusing on international politics and trade, and Idaho Policy and Consulting, where she specializes in both public and private sector project design and management related to Idaho. She is the Idaho Coordinator of the Pacific NorthWest Economic Region's Idaho Council and its issues groups including cybersecurity resilience, public safety communications, workforce development, water rights, rural healthcare, forest sustainability, advanced manufacturing, regional transportation, international border issues, and agribusiness in ten U.S. and Canadian member states, provinces and territories. Gloria's most treasured relationships are with her Mother, six siblings, and the extended family of the Totoricagüena Egurrola tribe.

Thank you, Gloria! Especially for your excellent help in making IWF Idaho a data-driven organization!

### **Book Recommendations**

Alongside efforts to keep our IWF Idaho community together via Virtual Events, Vice President Peggy Goldwyn had the wonderful idea of sharing book reviews and recommendations in our monthly newsletters. Please send your one-paragraph reviews of the books you love or are currently reading to <a href="Mackenzie">Mackenzie</a> to keep this connection going.

## Don't Forget to Use Our IWF Idaho Website

Visit our website at <a href="https://iwfidaho.org">https://iwfidaho.org</a> for information on our Idaho chapter, upcoming events, newsletter archives, and contact information for each of our members. If you have any questions or trouble accessing the site, contact <a href="Mackenzie">Mackenzie</a> for assistance.

IWF Global has also released guidelines and updates for IWF branding. Log-in <a href="here">here</a> to take a look.

Send your news on awards, career changes, board appointments and events to Kendall Nelson and Mackenzie Moss for inclusion in upcoming newsletters. Thanks!

#### **ABOUT IWF IDAHO**

IWF Idaho is the Idaho chapter of the International Women's Forum, an invitation-only, membership organization. In Idaho, we are 69 members strong, and globally, there are more than 7,000 diverse and accomplished women from 33 nations on six continents. IWF is dedicated to building better leadership locally and globally.

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