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Your IWF Idaho News

July 2021

Hello IWF Idaho!

It is July and our annual meeting is just around the corner on August 7th in Sun Valley. Many of our members have been working on this event and we are looking forward to seeing you in person. We have had forty (40) members respond to the invite so far. Thirty three (33) will attend the annual meeting; eighteen (18) will attend the concert and twenty-two (22) will join us for dinner. Thank you for all for your responses. If you are planning to attend the meeting, please let me know by July 27th at the latest. I need to know if you are joining the luncheon meeting, attending the concert, and doing dinner at Wendy Jaquet's home. The total cost of the all meals is \$50. Details for the all activities

related to the meeting are outlined under upcoming events. Boise members in need of lodging, please reach out to [Susan Passovoy](#) to coordinate. We are looking forward to another year of in-person memories!

Thanks!
Program Chair,
[Evelyn Self](#)



Memories from our last in-person Annual Meeting in 2019.

See you all soon!

IWF Idaho Events

Keep track of IWF Idaho Events using our [2021 Program Calendar](#).

Events in Review

A Cocktail Salute to Our IWF Authors

by Peggy Goldwyn and Muffy Davis



22 members and 4 guests attended a Sun Valley cocktail salute to IWF-Idaho authors, Sarah Sentilles and Julie Weston on June 23rd. Co-hosted by Muffy Davis and Peggy Goldwyn on Peggy's deck overlooking Trail Creek, Sarah and Julie spoke about their recent books and autographed copies for members. Julie was joined in her presentation by her co-author and husband, Gerry Morrison.



Upcoming Events

IWF Idaho Annual Meeting

When: Saturday, August 7th

Where: Sun Valley, ID

INCLUDING:

- 11:30am Annual Meeting and buffet lunch on the outdoor patio at Ketchum Grill
- 6pm at the Pavilion Lawn in Sun Valley: The Sun Valley Music Festival performs the **world premiere of Jessie Montgomery's *Freedom Songs***, featuring soprano Julia Bullock. As the lead commissioner of this new work, the Festival is proud to count among its co-commissioners the San Francisco Symphony, Boston Symphony, New Haven Symphony, Grand Teton Music Festival, Kansas City Symphony and Virginia Arts Festival. After concert gathering with supper and wine at Wendy Jaquet's house. 510 Mesquite Lane, Ketchum, Hulen Meadows - Further Details TBD.

RSVPs are requested via email as soon as possible to [Evelyn Self](#).

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IWF Idaho Committees Need Your Help!

Communications Committee

Our organization is in need of members for our Communications Committee. Are you good at writing and/or are you computer savvy? We promise that no large commitment is necessary, but we cannot continue to have a one-person committee. Involvement would include curating content for our monthly newsletters and helping to facilitate virtual programming. You might be asked to write a member profile, help with editing material if Committee Chair Kendall Nelson is not available, or to summarize an event you attended. We are in special need of members who know how, or would be willing, to occasionally manage some of our Zoom events if the person speaking is inexperienced. If you are available, please reach out to [Kendall](#).

Thanks in advance,
Kendall Nelson
Communications Committee Chair

Governance Committee

You should have received an email regarding the 2021 ballot and bylaw revisions. Please reach out to [Jane Conard](#) with any questions.

Look out for an email after the Annual Meeting as well regarding our Conflict of Interest Policy! The Board of Directors of IWF Idaho approved a Conflict of Interest Policy at the Board Meeting on May 20, 2021. This policy is in accordance with IWF Idaho's legal requirements as a non-profit corporation under Idaho law, and is in keeping with the governance practices of non-profit corporations. The email will ask you to review the policy, sign an attached form, and return it to Secretary of the Board, [Randi McDermott](#) by August 31, 2021. Thank you in advance!

Program Committee

Dine-A-Rounds

As we begin to think of "normal," it is time to think "Dine-A-Round!" Who wants to host a Dine-A-Round event? Our dine-a-rounds are member hosted gatherings in homes or location of their choice, consisting of a small number of members (up to 10). The host selects the topic for discussion, or they can host a social event. If you would like to host an event, please complete the [events form](#) and submit to the program committee for review.

Program Committee Member

We need Boise area members to join the program committee to help us plan and organize interesting program and events. This includes soliciting new program ideas, collecting information to communicate to members, drafting invitations, summarizing programs for the newsletter, and helping with events planning as needed.

Technical skills: If you have technical skill with Zoom and meeting set up, we need help to deliver programs and expand our reach so that members can participate regardless of locale. We also need to record our programs when topics allow so that members can experience them when they have conflict and cannot join us live.

Thank you,
Evelyn Self
Program Committee Chair

Member Spotlight

Beth Oppenheimer



Beth is featured here with her daughter at the 2019 Andrus Center Women and Leadership Conference where she spoke.

Beth Oppenheimer has spent many years advocating for the needs of young children and is committed to advancing opportunities for all Idaho families. As a working mother of two children, she understands the challenges facing working families and their abilities to support their children's care and learning. Beth has served as the Executive Director of the Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children (Idaho AEYC) since 2010. In her role at Idaho AEYC, she works tirelessly to ensure that all children have access to healthy, safe and quality child care and early childhood programs. She has led many initiatives which include strengthening child care licensing at both the city and state level, Let's Move Child Care and is currently the lead advocate for state investments for preschool in Idaho. Previously, Beth served as the Associate Director for the Student Union Building at Boise State University where she gained valuable experiences in business while at the same time provided on-the-job training opportunities for college students. As a member of the Department of Student Affairs, she enjoyed working with student employees and realized

the challenges many Idaho college students face trying to balance work, family and schooling. She has also worked on education, policy, and development issues for the University of Idaho, the Junior Achievement of the National Capital Area (DC) and the Institute for Women's Policy Research in Washington, DC. Beth is very involved in her community and serves on several boards and committees which include the Treasure Valley YMCA, Andrus Center for Public Policy and in 2016 was elected to serve on the Boise School District Board of Trustees. Beth and her husband, Jonathan reside in Boise and have two young daughters, Maddie and Annabelle.

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!

In Search of a New Communications and Management Associate

Dear Friends,

I so look forward to seeing our members at our annual meeting on August 7. I thank Peggy Goldwyn, Carol Nie, and Wendy Jaquet for superb local arrangements!

Please share your best wishes to Mackenzie Moss for her new career direction with the State of Idaho Office of Performance Evaluation, which promotes confidence and accountability in State Government. Mackenzie has been an invaluable partner in the operations of IWF for nearly four years. She has contributed her skills to all aspects of our work and created compelling newsletters, a beautiful website, and helped support our board leadership in fulfilling our mission. Mackenzie, I am ever so grateful for your

partnership. Please help IWF in its search! If you know anyone interested in this 20-25 hour per month position, please forward the following [position description and task list](#). Thank you so much.

IWF Idaho President,
Janet L. Gallimore

Thank you so very much IWF Idaho for almost four years of wonderful experience and mentorship. We are currently in search of a new Communications and Management Associate. I am sad to be leaving my position at IWF Idaho, but excited for the future and continued relationships with each of you. You have each had a profound impact on myself, my growth, and my outlooks on professionalism, community and leadership.



Thank you all,
Mackenzie Moss

Send your news on awards, career changes, board appointments and events to [Kendall Nelson](#) for inclusion in upcoming newsletters. Don't forget to use our IWF Idaho Website at <https://iwfidaho.org> for details on [upcoming events](#), [newsletter archives](#), and [contact information](#) for each of our members. If you have any questions or trouble accessing the site, contact [Mackenzie](#) for assistance. Thanks!

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