

Your IWF Idaho News

August 2022

President's Message



Dear IWF members:

Thanks to all our members who gathered for an inspiring annual meeting in Ketchum! Together we held energizing discussions with special emphasis on future priorities, including programming, supporting the IWF Fellows Program, engaging young leaders, and recruiting new members. I am grateful for Peggy Goldwyn and Carol Nie for local

arrangements; for Evelyn Self and LeeAnne Linderman for their inspiring program; for Jennifer Wilson's report from Santiago; for committee chair reports, and for everyone who assisted. Special thanks to Senator Michelle Stennett, for hosting a beautiful evening of conversation and camaraderie.

This annual gathering would not be possible without our entire IWFI Board and Kaley Wright working in advance to ensure that our organization is grounded in good governance, communicates well, stewards our budget, and engages our members with inspiring opportunities to *Learn*, *Mentor*, *Support*, and *Connect*.

Congratulations to Gloria Totoricagüena for her new role as Vice-President and to Peggy Goldwyn and Cathy Silak, who will now serve as At-Large Board Members. I applaud Peggy Goldwyn's extraordinary service as Vice-President over the past two years.

I look forward to the year ahead and seeing you all again soon.

Janet L. Gallimore

Upcoming Events

Conversations with Exceptional Women

What: 8th Annual Conversations with Exceptional Women

When: Thursday, September 8 - Friday, September 9

Where: The Argyros in Ketchum

According to the website of The Alturas Institute, this event is "is the Alturas Institute's signature event for the promotion of gender equality. We gather women from across the nation, from various sectors, disciplines and industries to engage in relaxed, casual and stimulating conversations about issues confronting women and the world. Our speakers have included Supreme Court Justices, Nobel and Pulitzer prize-winning recipients, astronauts, award-winning journalists, writers and academics, and acclaimed film directors, producers and actors, as well as Olympic Gold Medalists, corporate leaders and government officials."

Two IWFI members, Barbara Morgan and Dr. Ellen Ochoa, will be featured as part of this event. This year's theme is "On the Shoulders of Giants." Tickets can be purchased here.

Women and Leadership Conference and Family of Woman Film Festival

What: 2022 Women and Leadership Conference and the Family of Woman Film

Festival

When: Tuesday, September 13 - Thursday, September 15

Where: Boise State University

The Andrus Center for Public Policy at Boise State University will hold its annual Women and Leadership Conference as an all-virtual event September 13th through 15th. As a bonus event, the Family of Woman Film Festival will show two feature films, followed by interviews. The Chair of the Board of the Andrus Center, Tracy Andrus, is a member of IWF Idaho, as are several Board members. IWF Idaho member Peggy Goldwyn is the Founder of the Family of Woman Film Festival and will be conducting the interviews following the films. All films can be watched on demand over a 72 hour period beginning September 13th. Conference events will also be available during the same time frame and will be archived to be available for all conference subscribers following the event. Friends of UNFPA subscribers can read about the films and purchase tickets to the films only at thefamilyofwomanfilmfestival.org. For more information about the Women and Leadership Conference and to purchase tickets, please visit the website here.

2022 World Leadership Conference

What: 2022 World Leadership Conference

When: Tuesday, November 1 - Thursday, November 3

Where: Las Vegas, Nevada

Las Vegas has always been renowned for its glitz, glamour and gambling — and the Las Vegas you will explore during the 2022 World Leadership Conference is all of that and much more. The City's leadership in renewable energy and water conservation, the research underway on the importance of behavioral and cognitive health, and the examples of success in innovation in a transitional time, provide an excellent context for cutting edge conversations about these and other issues facing global leaders today. This long-awaited return to IWF's in-person World Leadership Conference and Gala is an excellent opportunity to discuss setting priorities and finding solutions to some of the most critical challenges of our time as you experience the magic of IWF. See additional details and register here.

For more information about upcoming global programs, please visit the website here.

2022 IWFI Annual Meeting

What: 2022 IWFI Annual Meeting

When: Saturday, August 6th

Where: Sun Valley

If you missed this year's annual meeting, you can watch the recording of the event <u>here</u>.





























Thank you to Senator Michelle Stennett for hosting the social event!

Dine-A-Round

What: Dine-A-Round

When: Monday, August 22nd

Where: Sun Valley

Thank you to Bettina Murray for hosting a Dine-A-Round!











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.

To watch our chapter's previous virtual events, please visit the website <u>here</u>.

Member Directory Updates

With the new year, please make sure to take a look at your bio on the IWFI website's member directory to make sure that it is up-to-date. If you do want to make updates to your bio, send the edits or new blurb, under 300 words, to <u>Kaley</u> and <u>Kendall</u> for review and upload.

IWF Idaho Committees Need Your Help!

Program Committee

I am asking members of IWF-Idaho to share topics that you feel are important and can benefit our forum through discussions. Will you help us to expand our programs and develop events that are interesting and engaging?

- What topics do you want to learn more about?
- What speakers do you know that can captivate an audience?
- What matters to us as women and Idahoans?

We look forward to coming together and addressing issues of importance. As we do, we hope to continue to incorporate Zoom whenever possible to engage as many members as possible.

Please feel free to share your thoughts and suggestions with those of us on Program Committee:

- Peggy Goldwyn
- Marcia Liebich
- LeeAnne Linderman
- Elizabeth Mathieu
- Carol Nie
- Susan Passovoy
- Evelyn Self

• Clare Swanger

Sincerely, Evelyn Self Program Committee Chair

Program Committee Members

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.

Membership Committee

Recruitment of new IWF Idaho members is in full swing. Thank you to Odette Bolano and Marlene Tromp for their nomination. We are looking for at least three more candidates. We hope that the changes in the recruitment process will motivate several of you to make nominations. We need your help to make IWF Idaho grow and thrive. You all received the nomination form and information on the new transparent two-step process. We are extending the due date for nominations to September 15.

Members gave quality input at the Zoom Membership Recruitment Meeting. As a result, the Committee will ask the Board to consider a few changes to the new process. One proposed change is to have nominees approved by the Membership Committee and then the Board of Directors at the first step of the process. If approved, this change will ensure when nominees submit their application in the next step of the process there will not be any problems with approval. Another suggestion is to provide nominees the full list of current IWF Idaho Members, names only, not contact information. In the past this information was not provided until after they became members. Lastly, the final change requested to the membership policies is to allow IWF Leadership Foundation Fellows to be considered for membership prior to the completion of the Fellows Program. The Board will consider this change as well.

Lastly, the Membership Committee needs more participation. We are now a committee of two. Please consider helping IWF Idaho grow by volunteering your time on the committee.

If you need the membership process Information, nomination form or have any

questions please don't hesitate to contact Tricia at tricia st triciaswartlng@gmail.com. If you missed the Zoom about the membership recruitment process, you can watch it here.

Member Spotlight



Barbara Morgan

Barbara Morgan is an educator and retired NASA astronaut. Barbara is the public elementary school teacher who trained with the Challenger crew as the back-up for Teacher in Space Christa McAuliffe, then later served as a NASA astronaut for 10 years. She is now Distinguished Educator in Residence, Emeritus, at Boise State University.

Barbara graduated with honors and a Bachelor's degree in Human Biology from Stanford University. She earned her teaching credential at College of Notre Dame (Notre Dame de Namur University). She taught public school for 24 years in diverse locations including the Bay Area in California, the Flathead Indian Reservation in Montana, a small mountain town [McCall] in Idaho, and Colegio Americano in Quito, Ecuador. In 1985, Barbara (back-up) and Christa McAuliffe (Teacher in Space) were selected to train with the space shuttle Challenger crew. After that mission ended tragically shortly after lift-off with the loss of the crew, NASA asked Barbara to continue as Teacher in Space Designee. She returned to her teaching in Idaho and continued to work for NASA, part-time, where her duties included public speaking, educational consulting, curriculum design, and serving on the National Science Foundation's Task Force for Women and Minorities in Science and Engineering.

NASA selected Barbara to the 1998 astronaut class. She flew 5.3 million miles in space in 2007 on STS-118, a two-week mission to help construct the International Space Station. Her duties included operating the space shuttle and space station robotic arms, serving as loadmaster, assisting the pilots with re-entry and landing, and teaching lessons from orbit to schoolchildren on Earth. In addition to spaceflight, Barbara worked in Mission Control as prime communicator ("Capcom") with on-orbit crews, and she served in the Space Station Operations Branch and Robotics Branch of the Astronaut Office.

Barbara retired from NASA in 2008 to become Distinguished Educator in Residence at Boise State University, where she represented the university and provided vision and leadership to the State of Idaho, primarily in STEM education. Her work included policy and program development, advocacy, and mentoring. Currently, Barbara works with Boise State University as Emeritus, and continues to work with national and international education organizations, other non-profits, and NASA.

Barbara's many awards include, most recently, the Columbia University Teachers College Medal for Distinguished Service and the inaugural Idaho Medal of Achievement, the state's highest civilian honor for service. She has earned two honorary doctorates – in science and public service – and has two public schools named after her.

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!

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 Kendall for assistance. Thanks!

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IWF Idaho is the Idaho chapter of the International Women's Forum, an invitation-only, membership organization. In Idaho, we are 63 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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