

Your IWF Idaho News

October 2022

President's Message



Dear IWF members:

We are approaching a significant milestone for women in Idaho history. On November 3, 1896, via Senate Joint Resolution 2, by a vote of nearly two to one in favor (12,126 to 6,282), Idaho changed history by enfranchising its women with the right to vote. It was a

hard-fought effort, traversing 26 years after Representative Dr. Joseph William Morgan introduced the first such bill to the Idaho Territorial Legislature in 1870. It took an additional 24 years for the U.S. Congress to extend this right nationally. This struggle took 50 years.

The people who led the effort for women's suffrage in Idaho shared a deep sense of conviction. They focused on justice, assembled advisors, and built a large advocacy and information network, critical in such a huge rural state.

This is a reminder that our society and culture changes at the pace of those who are elected to public office to represent our collective interests. Now, more than ever, it is urgent that women's voices are heard and, with our ballot, we further the *IWF's mission of advancing women's leadership and championing equality*.

Janet L. Gallimore

Upcoming Events

2022 World Leadership Conference

What: 2022 World Leadership Conference

When: Tuesday, November 1 - Thursday, November 3

Where: Las Vegas, Nevada

We are excited that the 2022 World Leadership Conference is next week in Las Vegas. IWFI members attending include Janet L. Gallimore, Dr. Gloria Totoricagüena, LeeAnne Linderman, and Beena Mannan. We are inspired by 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, among other conversations facing global leaders today.

We are also using this opportunity to connect with our colleagues on matters pertinent to our IWFI strategic priorities including IFWI member placement on boards and commissions that advance policies supportive of women and sustainable support of a Fellows Program applicant from Idaho.

We look forward to sharing our experience and findings with you in our November newsletter.

Election Day

What: 2022 Election Day

When: Tuesday, November 8th

Where: Nationwide

Make sure to vote in the upcoming election!

Save the Date!

What: 2022 IWFI Holiday Party **When:** Wednesday, December 28th

Where: Hailey

Elizabeth Mathieu has volunteered to host IWFI's holiday party this year! Details will follow in an upcoming Paperless Post and future newsletters.

For more information about upcoming global programs, please visit the website <u>here</u>.

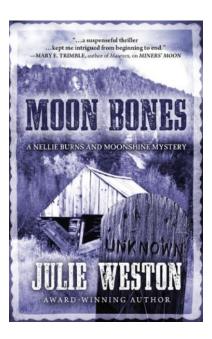
To watch our chapter's previous virtual events, please visit the website here.

Member News



Julie Weston's new book, *MOON BONES*, a Nellie Burns and Moonshine Mystery, was published on October 5, 2022, by Encircle Publications. A book launch is scheduled for the Community Library in Ketchum on November 3, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Chinese history in

1920s Idaho figures prominently in the book and Julie will present a PowerPoint as well as read excerpts from the book. More information is on Julie's website: www.julieweston.com



Member Directory Updates

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

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 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

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 triciaswartlng@gmail.com. If you missed the Zoom about the membership recruitment process, you can watch it here.

Member Spotlight



Muffy Davis

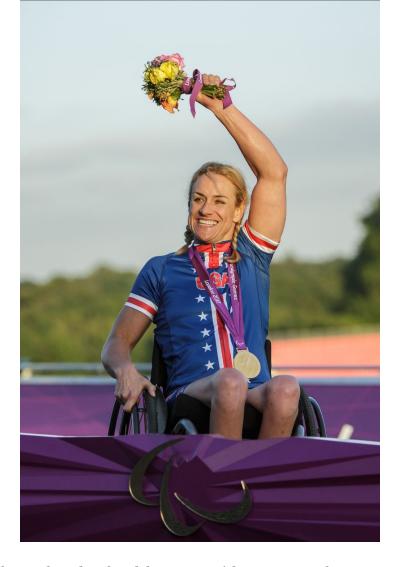
Muffy Davis was one of the top-ranked U.S. Junior Ski Racers in the late 1980s. She was poised to not only be named to the U.S. National Ski Team, but her racing ability would have allowed her the chance to attain her childhood dream of competing in the Winter Olympics. That all changed early one morning while training on her home mountain in Sun Valley, ID. Skiing at over 45 mph, Muffy went through a safety fence on a downhill training course and hit her head and back on a tree. Miraculously, although she survived the accident, she had crushed her back, leaving her paralyzed from the chest down.

Since then, Muffy has not only survived, but she has THRIVED further than she ever expected of herself before the accident. Muffy has gone on to graduate from Stanford University, compete and win four medals in both the 1998 and 2002 Winter Paralympic Games, be inducted into the US Ski and SnowBoard Hall of Fame, and volunteer on countless boards and committees serving the disability community.



In late 2011, Muffy suffered another setback, needing cervical spine surgery to relieve pressure on her nerves. This time, she not only recovered but came back stronger than ever. Winning back-to-back World Titles in Handcycling, she was also given the opportunity to compete in the 2012 London Paralympic Games for the United States. In true Muffy fashion, she succeeded in not only winning one gold medal but THREE. Her success in London earned Muffy a Guinness World Record for the most gold medals won in Road Cycling in a Paralympic Games as well as induction into the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Hall of Fame in 2022.

Muffy has served as an elected member of the International Paralympic Committee's Governing Board since 2018. Additionally, she serves on the USOPC's Board of Directors, the LA 2028 Executive Committee, and the IOC's Legacy and Sustainability Commission.



In 2018, Muffy was elected to the Idaho State Legislature House of Representatives. She served three years in that role and just last year, December of 2021, Muffy was appointed by Idaho's Governor Little to the Blaine County Board of Commissioners, where she is presently seeking election for a four-year term.

Muffy lives in Hailey, Idaho with her husband, 13-year-old daughter, and two dogs. She still skis and handcycles regularly, enjoying the great outdoors of Idaho.



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!

ABOUT IWF IDAHO

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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