



Your IWF Idaho News

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President's Message



Dear IWF of Idaho Friends and Colleagues:

As we begin 2023, I wish everyone a remarkable year filled with success. I look forward to celebrating IWF of Idaho's ten-year anniversary with you all this year as we applaud our visionary founders and engage with our remarkable members who make a significant

impact at the local, state, national and global levels. I hope that you enjoyed the recently shared ten-year report that summarizes our inspiring accomplishments.

In our milestone anniversary year, we are 69 members strong and are expanding our reach across the great state of Idaho. On that note, please join me in welcoming new members Angela Taylor, Lisa Grow, Mary Ann Arnold, and Shannon Erstad from the Boise area; Judy Meyer, Hayden Lake; Cheryl O'Brien, Idaho Falls; and Amanda Breen and Sally Gillespie, Wood River Valley. We are so excited to learn more about their achievements and spend time in their company.

Please review the upcoming Save-the-Date card and mark your calendars now for a most intriguing series of IWF of Idaho programs for 2023. And please note the Global Programs on the horizon in Helsinki, June 14th - 16th; Detroit, October 4th - 6th; and New York, May 15th - 17th 2024.

Thank you and please reach out, lead a program, support and promote each other, and make the most of our very special alliance.

Sincerely,
Janet L. Gallimore

Events

Women in Interesting Positions

What: Cocktails & Conversation Hosted by Bettina Murray

When: Monday, February 13th from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: Condo 4397, Fairway 9, Elkhorn, Sun Valley

Meet the scholars from the Irish National Police Force studying for their M.S. degrees at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY: Garda Helen McDermott and Sargeant Aoife Reilly. Please RSVP by February 9th. Significant others are invited - indicate the total number of people coming in your RSVP. Valet parking will be available. If you have any questions, please contact Bettina at betpmurray@aol.com or (646) 229-9640.

Report From the UN Climate Talks in Egypt—and Beyond

What: Report From the UN Climate Talks

When: Thursday, February 9th from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Where: 131 4th Street East, Suite 330, Ketchum (3rd floor above Gail Severn Gallery,

door is next to the alley by Java) or via Zoom [here](#)

Aimée Christensen and colleagues from her Ketchum-based global sustainability advisory firm attended the UN climate talks ("COP27") held in Sharm El Sheik, Egypt, in November. She will share her perspectives on the talks (informed by 30 years working on climate change), report on her clients' activities there to advance their innovations for our planet including cleaning up fashion, financing clean energy, and shaping the future of food. She is also happy to talk about what is happening locally and would love to share stories from her visit to New Zealand in October where she gave a keynote address on food and agricultural transformation for people and planet.

Save the Date!

Look out for a Save-the-Date for our upcoming events in the next week or two. Details will be forthcoming. Dates and events, so far, are as follows:

The Importance of Women in Politics on Tuesday, March 21st at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom with Beena Mannan. Specific details will follow in the upcoming Paperless Post.

Dine-A-Round on Thursday, March 30th at 6:00 p.m. hosted by Wendy Jaquet, Tricia Swartling, and Sarah Michael.

Thoughts on the Current State and Challenges of Estate Planning for You and Your Family in April (date and time to follow) on Zoom with Elizabeth Mathieu.

Roots of Wisdom Exhibit on Friday, April 21st from 11:30 - 1:15 p.m. in person at the Idaho State Museum with First Lady Teresa Little, Janet Gallimore, and Mary Ann Arnold.

Foote Park Field Trip on Saturday, May 20th from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in person with Mary Ann Arnold.

Powering Idaho's Future on Friday, June 9th from 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. in person at Idaho Power Headquarters and on Zoom with Lisa Grow. Following this event, there will be a **Wine-A-Round/New Member Meet-Up** at 4:30 p.m. hosted by Janet Gallimore.

2023 IWF Cornerstone Conference on Wednesday, June 14th - Friday, June 16th in Helsinki, Finland hosted by IWF Global. Details can be found [here](#).

IWFI Annual Meeting on Friday, August 4th - Sunday, August 6th in Sun Valley.

2023 IWF World Leadership Conference on Wednesday, October 4th - Friday, October 6th in Detroit hosted by IWF Global.

IWF Global Events

The IWF Program Passport is your source for upcoming events hosted by IWF on a global level. You can access these events via the [IWF Connect Portal](#). We encourage you to make the most of your IWF membership by taking full advantage of the insightful events available to you from across the globe.

Your membership of IWF also provides you with access to over 7,800 diverse and accomplished women through a network of 74 local forums. IWF has a presence in 33 nations across 6 continents. The IWF Connect Portal has the program passport and other resources.

[Watch the IWF video](#) and [join the IWF LinkedIn group](#).

To watch our chapter's previous virtual events, please visit the website [here](#).

2022 IWF Holiday Party

Thank you to Elizabeth Mathieu for hosting IWF's in-person holiday party this year!



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 [Kaley](#) and [Kendall](#) for review and upload.

IWF Idaho Committees Need Your Help!

Program Committee

Remember August 06, 2022, that lovely day in Sun Valley as we came together to attend our annual meeting?

It was amazing to observe our members as they arrived. Watching them greet and embrace each other validated how hard the past two Covid years have been and the toll it had taken on us.

At the end of our annual meeting, we asked you to send program suggestion and ideas to myself or our committee members.

As winter approaches, I am asking once again for each of you to submit your thoughts and ideas for the program committee to review as we plan the winter program agenda.

We would like to continue using Zoom to be more inclusive, so our in-person presentation would be hybrid.

Examples of programs/activities are:

- Dine-A-Rounds—members host up to ten members (social or specific subject)
- Presentations on Topics of Interest to Membership—by members or outside presenters
- Showcasing Members—getting to know you and your responsibilities
- Culture and Arts—events that members are involved in
- Pop-Up Events—with proper time for notice

I hope that you will help us as we work to plan a list of diverse activities that will be of interest to our entire membership.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Self

Program Committee Chair

Mentorship Opportunity

IWF is enlisting members who can give 2-3 hours per month for 4-5 months to provide mentoring to professional Ukrainian women who are currently displaced due to the war.

It is a program developed by a current Fellow, Iryna Rubis, who was a successful entrepreneur in Ukraine and fled with her small children after losing everything. IWF provided her a full scholarship to become a Fellow.

We know how very busy everyone is, especially this time of year, but wanted to offer this worthwhile opportunity.

[Here](#) is the detailed presentation about the mentees' requests, feedback from mentees whose request was satisfied, and the "profile" of the "typical" mentee for whom we are looking for mentors.

If you are interested in contributing to the project, [here](#) is the Google form to fill in and indicate your intent and willingness.

Member Spotlight



Dr. Lilian Wu

Dr. Lilian Wu is an Emeritus Researcher at IBM Research and a Trustee of the New School in NYC. She is an Emeritus Member of the President's Council of Olin College.

Lilian is a board member of the Muscular Dystrophy Association, EcoHealth Alliance, and Public Agenda in NYC. She is also a member of the County Executive of Westchester NY, George Latimer's, and the Asian American Advisory Board.

Lilian is Chair (Emeritus) of the US National Academies' Committee on Women in Science, Engineering, and Medicine. From 2009 – 2012, she was a Councilor of the Association for Women in Science (AWIS).

For many years, Lilian was a Trustee of Fordham University and the KECK Graduate Institute for Applied Life Sciences (a Claremont College.) She is a former council member of the Burke Neurological Institute (Weill Cornell Medicine) and was also a member of Tufts Medical Center's Quality of Care Committee and Tufts' Patient Family Advisory

Committee.

Lilian served on several NSF Advisory Committees, including the Directorate for Education and Human Resources and Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering. She also served on AAAS's Committee on Public Understanding of Science and Technology.

Lilian was a member of President Clinton's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) and also served on the Department of Energy's Secretary of Energy's Laboratory Operations Advisory Board.

At IBM from 2005 – 2018, she was Program Executive of Global University Programs. In this position, Lilian managed a portfolio of IBM-university-government research collaborations. Prior to this position, she was a researcher in Mathematical Sciences focused on business risk, and then a Technology Strategy Consultant for IBM's VP of Technology.

Lilian received her PhD in Applied Math from Cornell and an Honorary Doctor of H.L. from Marymount.

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 7,800 diverse and accomplished women from 33 nations on six continents. IWF is dedicated to building better leadership locally and globally.

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