



Your IWF Idaho News

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President's Message



My dear friends:

In anticipation of our 2023, 10th Anniversary Wood River Valley annual meeting, I am pleased to recognize our past presidents during this time. I have asked Elizabeth Matthieu and Sarah Michael to share thoughts on their service, vision, and what

was most important to them as they led our organization toward 10 fabulous years. I look forward to seeing those of you who are engaging in this milestone event in the Wood River Valley in August and thank all our members, near and far for your membership in this impressive and inspiring organization.

From Elizabeth Matthieu, Founding President:

Thank you, everyone, for making my dream come true! When I first came to Idaho, I missed the intellectual stimulation and emotional support I had in the NY IWF.

So, I thought I would take a chance and reach out to accomplished women to see if I could be part of a similar group here. I think there had been another IWF Idaho in 1992, that included just 13 members and ultimately folded. My early efforts to begin again were met with skepticism, but we brought together 20 prospective members within a year.

With the help of mover and shaker members of the IWF in other forums, with the support of the then-IFW Global President Deedee Corridini who visited with prospective members, and members of IWF NY and DC who also visited, we bucked the system and were accepted into the IWF family on October 16, 2013. I am happy to say that not only are most of the original “gang of 20” (18 I believe) still members of IWF Idaho, but we have now grown to 65 members thanks to the efforts of two next Presidents of IWF Idaho, Sarah Michael and Janet Gallimore, and the successive boards of directors and nominating committees.

When I look at our members' list, I am struck not only by our diversity, but also by the multiple ways in which you all have promoted women's leadership and support each other and others, not only just once, but in many ways, both here and abroad, in multiple sectors, and over long periods of time.

The members of IWF Idaho are game-changers. You embody the IWF Global mission of bringing together “women leaders across every professional sector in support of each other and the common mission of advancing women's leadership and championing equality worldwide.” I urge each of you to review the bios of our members [here](#) to see for yourself the rich diversity of our group, and the serious possibilities to connect and support each other—and other women—in the future. Thank you all for making my decision to move to Idaho the best decision ever!

From Sarah Michael, President, 2017-2019:

I was privileged to follow the inspirational and enthusiastic leadership of Elizabeth Matthieu with whom I served on the Board since its inception in 2013/2014 and before becoming its second president from August 2017 – December 2019. As President, I focused on formalizing IWF Idaho's governance structure, including

committees and communication efforts by hiring a communication assistant and creating an IWF Idaho website and a monthly newsletter. We also spent time growing the organization by recruiting more members from Boise, growing to 60 members, 22 of whom were from Boise and 38 from the Wood River Valley.

I was lucky to be President before Covid and to be able to organize and attend many IWF events in Idaho in person. It was so rewarding to be able to travel with other IWF Idaho members to represent Idaho at three regional IWF forums (2 in Oregon, 1 in New Mexico, and 4 Global IWF forums (Stockholm, St Petersburg, Melbourne and Barcelona.) Please travel to these events if you can. You will be inspired.

IWF membership has allowed me to meet other outstanding women leaders in Idaho and around the World whom I would never have met. Every day, I appreciate that Janet Gallimore followed me as President because she has brought such great leadership to the position.

From Janet Gallimore, President, January 2020-Present

I was nominated to IWF of Idaho by Carol MacGregor and interviewed by Marcia Liebich. I served in the roles of Program Chair and then Vice-President and was truly honored to transition to President after Elizabeth's and Sarah's brilliant service. Little did we all realize what lay lurking in March of 2020. Our IWF leadership adapted quickly, and we created the expertise to go virtual. This was a good thing in many ways, considering our great state's size and geographic diversity. At our 2020 virtual meeting, we created our first IWFI strategic plan with breakout rooms, facilitating an inclusive and robust vision for future action. As it was the 100th anniversary of the national right for women's suffrage, I was pleased to present an overview on women and the right to vote in our nation and in Idaho. Our Program Committee led the way with a year full of amazing virtual programming featuring our members and colleagues from across the country.

I am proud of many things about this era in IWFI's history: adapting to change during a most challenging time, strategic focus and a shift in priorities to elevate leadership opportunities for our members, expanding our statewide engagement beyond Boise and the Wood River Valley to include women in Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Mountain Home, and Coeur d'Alene, retooling our programming for a new era and changing interest, enhancing our operating procedures and practices to ensure best practices and fiscal sustainability. We engaged our First Lady Teresa Little as a presenter in two learning opportunities for us including the *Trailblazing Women of Idaho* and *Roots of Wisdom: Native Knowledge Western Science* exhibits at the Idaho State Museum.

I am honored to work with such a magnificent IWFI Board whose collaboration, teamwork, and decision-making are truly inspiring and who embody our

organizational mission.

And I will speak on behalf of our entire board, wholeheartedly applauding both Mackenzie Moss and Kaley Wright, two amazing young leaders, as they have professionally advanced our communications, website, graphics, and administrative support to ensure our success.

Thanks to our Presidents, our Board Members, our Committee Members, and to all our astounding members for 10 years of the International Women's Forum of Idaho.

Sincerely,
Janet L. Gallimore

Annual Meeting

FRIDAY AUGUST 4th, 2023

Arrive at Sun Valley Music Festival at 6:00 pm
6:30 pm Sun Valley Music Festival Mozart and Ginatera
7:45 pm Reception, Rhea Schwartz, 103 Saddle Lane, Sun Valley

SATURDAY AUGUST 5th, 2023

ANNUAL MEETING

The Valley Club
100 Club View Drive North
Hailey, Idaho 83333
Board members arrive 9:45 am
Members arrive 10:30 am
Meeting, Lunch, and Program 11:00 am-2:30 pm

AGENDA

10-Year Anniversary Annual Meeting call to order 11:00 am: Janet Gallimore,
President

Annual Meeting Committee Welcome: Evelyn Self, Peggy Goldwyn, and Carol Nie

August 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes: Motion to Approve, Randi McDermott,
Secretary/Treasurer

Financials: Janet Gallimore, President and Randi McDermott, Secretary/Treasurer

ACTION: Approve 2024 Proposed IWFI Budget

Governance Committee: Cathy Silak, Chair

ACTION: Election of Board Members

Board Slate of Candidates

Nominations from the Floor

Vote

Results of Tabulation

ACTION: Approve Bylaws amendment

Member Q and A until 11:35 pm

PROGRAM AND LUNCHEON

11:45 am-1:55 pm

Aimée Christensen, CEO of Christensen Global 11:45 am-12:15 pm

Plated lunch served 12:20 pm-1:10 pm

Dr. Anthea Hartig, the Elizabeth MacMillan Director of the Smithsonian's National

Museum of American History, 1:15 pm-1:45 pm

Member conversation with speakers 1:45 pm-1:55 pm

Brief Reflections on 2023 Helsinki, Finland Cornerstone Conference

Acknowledge past and present IWF of Idaho Presidents

In memory of Margery Friedlander, presentation by Elizabeth Mathieu

Toast for 10 years

Member social opportunity and information sharing

Photos of the group

Adjourn 2:30 pm

Dr. Gloria Totoricaguena and Tricia Swartling will lead an informal planning discussion for any members interested in appointment to Idaho statewide public commissions and/or to paid corporate board positions.

EVENING PROGRAM AND SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

No host dinner at the Ketchum Grill by advance RSVP 6:00 pm

Speakers



Aimée Christensen is CEO of Christensen Global where she advises clients ranging from climate innovators to global businesses, from multilateral institutions to investors including Aleph Farms, Duke Energy, Ford Motor Company, the Global Ocean Commission, Microsoft and the Virgin Group.

Over her 30-year career, she has worked as a policymaker at the White House and U.S. Department of Energy, as a carbon, climate and clean energy lawyer at the World Bank and Baker & McKenzie and as Climate Maven at Google where she guided Google's earliest action on climate change. She negotiated the first U.S. climate change agreements (US-Costa Rica 1994, et al). She successfully advocated for the adoption of the first climate investment responsibility policy which was adopted by Stanford University's Board of Trustees in 1999 and gained Google's 2007 commitment to carbon neutrality.

She served as Senior Adviser to the United Nations Secretary General's High-level Group on Sustainable Energy For All (2012) and founded and led the Sun Valley Institute for Resilience (2015-2020) and Sun Valley Forum (2015-present). She is an Aspen Institute Catto Fellow (2010), a Leadership Laureate of the Hillary Institute (New Zealand, 2011) and an Idaho Business Review Woman of the Year (2020). She has a JD from Stanford Law School and a BA from Smith College.



Anthea M. Hartig is the Elizabeth MacMillan Director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History and the first woman to hold the position since the museum opened in 1964. Hartig oversees 231 employees, a budget of over \$54.5 million and a collection that includes 1.8 million objects and more than three shelf-miles of archives. She officially began her tenure on Feb. 18, 2019.

Through its incomparable collections, rigorous research and dynamic public outreach, the National Museum of American History seeks to empower people to create a just and compassionate future by exploring, preserving and sharing the complexity of the nation's past. Hartig is currently leading a vibrant new strategic plan to take the museum through the 250th anniversary of the United States in 2026 and beyond. It challenges the museum to be the most accessible, inclusive, relevant and sustainable public history institution.

An award-winning public historian and cultural heritage expert, Hartig is the president-elect of the Organization of American Historians. Prior to joining the Smithsonian, she served as the executive director and CEO of the California Historical Society in San Francisco. Hartig is a third-generation native of Southern California where she grew up in the greater Pomona Valley. She earned her doctorate and master's degrees in history at the University of California, Riverside, her bachelor's degree at the University of California, Los Angeles and studied as an undergraduate and graduate student at the College of William and Mary.

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

2023 is a big year for IWF of Idaho! We look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting as we celebrate our accomplishments of the past ten years and look ahead at an exciting future.

A huge thanks to our program committee and IWFI members who continue to provide great programs and events throughout the year for your growth and enjoyment.

Take a moment to checkout the list of activities that are confirmed to date on our website [here](#). We hope this list will help you plan your schedule to include us. Our committee, speakers and hosts have put a lot of time and effort into creating this list. These activities are an opportunity for us to tune in and learn from and about each other.

This working list is for your planning. We do our best to send out Paperless Post invitations with all the details for our events two to four weeks prior to the scheduled date. We value each of our members and we hope that you can join us as a presenter, host, or guest, but we also realize that as a member of IWF of Idaho, you are very busy and schedules change.

Our programs are member driven. We rely on you to share and inform us of things that you are engaged in: your work, boards that you serve on, as well as social and civic activities, to name a few. This is one of the ways we get to know each other.

Should you decide to host or present, please be mindful that we have limited resources and time to promote events. It is our hope that we have a good turnout for all activities. Therefore, we ask that you allow us time to publish your event by submitting all the relevant details at least a month in advance of your selected date. This allows for time to produce the Paperless Post and do a follow-up reminder so that our members are informed should they wish to attend.

The check list for submitting an event includes:

- Name of speaker or host

- Title/activity and a brief description
- Type: in person or virtual
- Date, time and location
- Technical needs
- Number of participants you can accommodate (for in person events)

Thank you and we are excited to see you soon!

Evelyn Self
Program Committee Chair

Events

Save the Date!

If you missed our Save-the-Date for upcoming events, you can find it on the website [here](#). Dates and events, so far, are as follows:

IWFI Annual Meeting on Friday, August 4th-Saturday, August 5th in Sun Valley.
Refer to the recent invitation email or look for additional details above.

11th Annual Women and Leadership Conference on September 13th-14th.
See the section below for details.

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

11th Annual Women and Leadership Conference

September 13th-14th, 2023

Boise Centre on the Grove

Registration is now available for in-person or virtual attendance of this annual event held by the Andrus Center for Public Policy at Boise State University.

Over the two conference days, attendees can participate in 12+ skill-builder breakout sessions (choose from three options each time). Nearly all of the conference content will be recorded and accessible for a full year following the event to all registrants. This will allow for registrants to engage in as many of the skill-builder session recordings as they chose and continue to revisit presentations on

demand.

This year's conference once again hosts an impressive lineup of six distinguished women keynote speakers who have broken barriers and improved gender balance in their field and beyond. Be it elected office, corporate c-suites, small business launches or grassroots movements, these women are transforming the world we live in. The speaker lineup will be posted soon!

Along with standard ticket pricing of \$255, discounted volume, student and non-profit/small business pricing will be available. You can find more information or register [here](#).

IWFI member Tracy Andrus is the Andrus Center's Chair, while Aimée Christensen, Cherie Buckner-Webb, Cathy Silak, Peggy Elliott Goldwyn, Wendy Jaquet, and Beth Oppenheimer are also members of the Andrus Center's Board of Governors.

2023 World Leadership Conference and Gala

October 4th-6th, 2023

Detroit, Michigan

Registration is now open for IWF's 2023 World Leadership Conference and Gala, October 4th-6th in Detroit, Michigan – *What's Going On?*

Our world-class speakers will examine artificial intelligence and what it means for the future of humanity; explore the transformation of transportation and its implications for the climate; and explain how our environment shapes our brains and bodies even before birth and much more. As always, the program is designed to engage, inform and inspire. You can find more information or register [here](#).

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 IWFI 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](#).

Past Events

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

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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