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# Your IWF Idaho News

*September 2023*

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## President's Message



Dear International Women's Forum of Idaho Members,

In early September, Idaho played host to the 2023 annual conference of the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH), the largest association in the country dedicated to the history profession. The conference served as a platform for history professionals to engage in deep learning and discussions, sharing the stories of their communities through museums, historic sites, archives, and more. With the 250th anniversary of our nation approaching in 2026, the conference theme, "I too am America," urged our profession to open up the entirety of our shared history to people of all backgrounds and beliefs, as we continue our journey toward "a more perfect union."

Kay Hardy and her husband Gregory Kaslo graciously hosted the main keynote session at Boise's historic Egyptian Theatre, featuring thought-provoking presentations from three Idahoans, including our esteemed Cherie Buckner-Webb. The Foundation for Idaho History, under the leadership of Mary Ann Arnold, served as the conference's presenting sponsor. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to these members of IWFI for their contributions in making this one of the most well-attended and successful conferences ever hosted by AASLH in the western states.



Receiving the Award of Distinction from AASLH in Boise left me deeply humbled. Established in 1963, this award is bestowed infrequently and recognizes individuals with exceptionally long and distinguished service and national leadership in the field of state and local history. I am the fifth woman among the 23 recipients to have earned this esteemed national honor.

I am grateful for, and Idahoans should take pride in, the numerous cultural, historical, environmental, and arts organizations within our state that render Idaho the uniquely special place we call home. The dedication of these organizations to preserving and sharing our heritage is a gift not only to all Idahoans but also to those who visit our state. I am confident that the nearly 800 attendees returned to their homes as ambassadors for Idaho. During their time here, they witnessed the enduring diversity that has shaped our remarkable state. They departed with a vivid appreciation for the devoted efforts of Idaho professionals and volunteers, who tirelessly work every day to safeguard this historical legacy, a legacy that holds paramount importance in our nation's continuous pursuit of forming a more perfect union.

Sincerely,  
Janet L. Gallimore

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**Muffy Davis to be Honored with Statue along the Row  
of Champions**



A bronze sculpture of IWF-Idaho's Muffy Davis will be unveiled on Wednesday, Oct. 4, at Festival Meadows in Sun Valley. The unveiling will take place between 5:30 and 7 p.m. along the Row of Champions on Sun Valley Road followed by a reception. Speakers will include Brian Barsotti, who kickstarted the project honoring Sun Valley's female Olympic medalists; Sun Valley Mayor Peter Hendricks, sculptor Benjamin Victor and Muffy Davis.

The local publication "Eye on Sun Valley" reports [here](#) that Muffy, a seven-time Paralympic medalist in two sports, shared, "I am immensely honored to be recognized in such a way and hope that through these beautiful sculptures we inspire the future generation of courageous female athletes and leaders."

Muffy Davis was a fierce competitor on the Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation's alpine team when she was paralyzed in a downhill training accident at 16. A Stanford University graduate, she was inspired to begin racing competitively again after seeing the success of Picabo Street, whom she had raced against as a youngster. She went on to win three silver and one bronze ski medals in the 1998 and 2002 Winter Paralympics in Nagano, Japan, and Salt Lake City. And she dominated the London Paralympic Games Road Cycling

competitions in 2012, winning three gold medals which earned her a Guinness World Record for the most gold medals won in road cycling at a Paralympic Games.

She was the 2002 World Champion in Giant Slalom, a nine-time UCI Para-Cycling World Cup gold medalist and a three-time UCI Para-Cycling World Championships silver medalist. She was inducted into the 2022 class of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Hall of Fame.

She also is a member of the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame, a 2004 International Olympic Committee Presidents Disabled Athlete Award winner, and the 2002 Endurance Sports Disabled Athlete of the Year. Muffy has stayed involved with the Olympics and Paralympics movement as an elected member of the International Paralympic Committee's Governing Board, the United States Olympic Committee's Paralympic Advisory Committee and the Los Angeles 2028 board.

After serving in the Idaho legislature, she took her place as a Blaine County commissioner where she currently serves as chairperson.

—LeeAnne Linderman

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## Member Directory Updates

Please make sure to take a look at your bio on the IWF I 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.

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## IWF Idaho Committees Need Your Help!

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### Program Committee

#### **Programs and activities needed!**

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

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## Events

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### **2023 World Leadership Conference and Gala**

***October 4th-6th, 2023***

***Detroit, Michigan***

The excitement is building for the World Leadership Conference and Gala in Detroit! You don't want to miss the thought-provoking speakers, unique behind-the-scenes experiences, and the friendships made and renewed at the dine arounds. We will end this with a celebration of our Hall of Fame Honorees and Women Who Make a Difference, and dance the night away to the music that made Detroit famous.

IWFI Board members representing Idaho at the World Leadership Conference and Gala in Detroit include President, Janet L. Gallimore; Program Chair, Evelyn Self; At-Large, Peggy Goldwyn; and At-Large and Global Ambassador, LeeAnne Linderman. We look forward to sharing a report in the October newsletter.

You can find more information [here](#).

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### **27th Annual Trailing of the Sheep Festival**

***October 4th-8th, 2023***

***Wood River Valley***

Be a part of another year of stories as we meet our mission to gather, present, and preserve the history and culture of sheep ranching and herding in Idaho and the West. Founded by IWF-Idaho member Diane Peavey and her husband, John, this unique cultural festival is recognized as one of the best in the world. The Big Sheep Parade is taking place on Sunday, October 8th at noon on Main Street in Ketchum but the full schedule of events can be found [here](#). For more information on the festival, please visit the website [here](#). You can also watch our previous virtual event about the festival [here](#).

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## **IWF 50th Anniversary World Leadership Conference**

***May 15-17th, 2024***

***New York, NY***

In 2024, we'll celebrate an idea that's proved powerful enough to circle the globe.

At the World Leadership Conference and Gala, we'll highlight 50 years of women changing the world.

Over five decades, the International Women's Forum and our members have been in the forefront of change—breaking the glass ceiling across professions around the world, proving not only that women lead but women lead differently and gender balance at every level of leadership makes stronger business, stronger societies and a better world.

In recent years the velocity of change, especially driven by technology, has impacted every country and every sector. It's only fitting that our 50th Anniversary Conference address change and how women at the top are making change a force for good.

Our conference will focus on key sectors that—like IWF—have strong roots in New York but are global forces for change themselves...

- Technology
- Health
- Media

We will also examine how more women at the top are managing change in the workplace and the social agenda for gender equality

Finally, we will explore the business of fashion—how we have evolved from men telling women what to wear to women changing what we buy, how we buy and how we express our beliefs about ourselves and our world in how we present ourselves.

For more information on the conference and sessions, go to the event page [here](#). If you are planning on attending, please fill out the form [here](#).

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### **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](#).

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## **Past Events**

### **11th Annual Women and Leadership Conference**

The Andrus Center for Public Policy at Boise State University hosted its 11th annual Women and Leadership Conference on September 13 and 14 at the Grove Center in Boise.





Tracy Andrus, an IWF-Idaho Member, is Chair of the Board. Additionally, IWF-Idaho members Wendy Jaquet, Aimée Christensen, Peggy Goldwyn, Beth Oppenheimer, and Cathy Silak also serve on the Andrus Board.

IWF-Idaho Member and President of Boise State University, Marlene Tromp, delivered the welcoming address, followed by the Conference's first Keynote Speaker, Angela Taylor, also an IWF-Idaho member.



Our President, Janet Gallimore, and Evelyn Self, Chair of our Program Committee were also in attendance and found that two of the other Keynote Speakers had recently relocated to Idaho and identified them as excellent potential members of IWF.



Peggy Goldwyn sponsored the closing Keynote Speaker, Stephanie Sinclair, a Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist.



IWF-Idaho Members filled the stage during the breaks for a series of group photos. Together we formed an entire delegation on our own!

—Peggy Goldwyn

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

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## Featured Members

We continue to thank outgoing Governance Chair, Jane Conard; Secretary/Treasurer, Randi McDermott; and Treasurer, Carolyn Lister for their service, skill, and commitment to advancing the best practices of our organization. Read more about these incredible women below.

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## Jane Conard



Jane Conard is on the Sun Valley City Council, and is a health law consultant, mediator, and arbitrator. She worked with government healthcare agencies and with Intermountain Helathcare for 26 years before developing her own private practice, and she does volunteers arbitration in the Blaine County small claims court. She has lectured and provided courses for the American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA) and the American Bar Association. She served as chair of the AHLA In-House Counsel Section, as a member of the AHLA Board of Directors, and in 2016 was selected as a Fellow of the AHLA (a designation limited to about 150 lawyers). Jane was an adjunct professor at the University of Utah law school and the president of the Salt Lake County Bar Association and Women Lawyers of Utah (which selected her as the 2006 Utah Woman Lawyer of the Year). She is a member of the state bars of California, Utah, and Idaho. She received her a B.A. magna cum laude with honors from Macalester College, an M.A. with published thesis from the University of Iowa, and a J.D. from U.C., Davis, King Hall School of Law.

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## Randi McDermott



Randi has served public education in Idaho for nearly 30 years and counting. She began her career with the Idaho State Board of Education, where she ultimately oversaw their policy, planning and government relations efforts. She spent 19 years with Boise State, serving as Chief of Staff and Vice President for Operations, and is proud to have been a member of the leadership team that saw the University transform into a doctoral research university with a reputation for creativity, innovation and record-breaking enrollment, retention and graduates. She is currently splitting her time serving as Chief of Staff at the College of Western Idaho and as proprietor at Ellie Mental Health Northwest Boise, which aims to decrease the stigma and fill the gap in mental health services in the Treasure Valley community. She holds a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in public administration, both from Boise State University. She has enjoyed volunteer opportunities with the Boise City Club, Girl Scouts of the Silver Sage, North Boise Little League, YMCA, the Idaho Humane Society and Fuzzy Pawz Rescue. Randi is also a proud Mom, spouse, and a humble servant to three very spoiled pups. She enjoys live music, skiing, camping, reading, and especially, walking the trails of Idaho with any dog who wants to come along.

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**Carolyn Lister**



Carolyn grew up in L.A. and moved to Ketchum in the 1980s. Carolyn taught herself computer coding and developed the ambulance billing program for the City of Ketchum, became a firefighter and an advanced EMT when women were not welcome in these services, and obtained a 501(c)(3) status for the Ketchum Sun Valley Volunteer Firefighter Association. Carolyn served on the board of this charity and donated bookkeeping services. Carolyn began working for a private client handling large assets worldwide, and was eventually promoted into an Accounting position. The non-profits ERC and The Sawtooth Botanical Garden grew out of that organization while Carolyn was on staff. In the mid 90s, Carolyn became the Chief Financial Officer. In 2006, Carolyn created Sage Bookkeeping Inc. to provide the community with a consistent and standardized bookkeeping service. Carolyn grew this company from 1 employee and a handful of clients to 10 employees and over 200 clients across the nation, and is currently the largest service in Idaho. Carolyn teaches bookkeeping classes and provides continuing education and consulting for other bookkeepers.

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## **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!

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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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