

Urgent Matters:

- [New Member Nominations](#) All documents for nominating a candidate are available on our website: www.iwfmichigan.org
- The IWF Miami World Leadership conference is sold out. However, don't give up on attending! A waiting list has just been started, and there are ALWAYS cancellations. They will be filled on a first-come basis, so get your name on the list ASAP. Contact IWF's Registration team at iwfexecutiveevents.com or 866.216.8040.

2018 Member Events:

- **Dine-Arounds** These popular, smaller gatherings require reservations.
 - **July 9, (Mon) at 6:30 pm - Christine Derdarian** cordially invites you to come to the [Mandaloun Bistro](#), 30100 Telegraph Road, Bingham Farms. Topic: "Now That Women Are Acquiring Power, How Will They Wield It?" Enjoy Mediterranean fare and share your thoughts. **RSVP's due Saturday, July 7. Cost \$45.00.** Mail check to Chris Derdarian at 6952 Sandalwood Drive, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301, or bring the evening of the event. RSVPs may be called in to Chris' home phone: (248) 737-2251 or email: cderdarian@core.com
 - **July 19, (Thurs) 6:30 pm - Join Laurie Horiszny** and about 10 IWF sisters in her home to discuss how IWF turbocharges and nurtures our power as leaders in a diverse local and international organization. **Cost is \$45.00** payable in advance to Laurie or bring the evening of the event. **RSVP's required by July 15.** ph: 247-642-7065 or email Laurie directly at: lhoriszny@borgwarner.com Note: Seating is limited to 10. Mail check to Laurie at her home: 1041 Greentree Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304.



- **August 1, (Wed) 6:00 pm** after work drop-in with **Anne Mervenne**. Enjoy cocktails and catch up with a few of your IWF sisters at the Detroit Athletic Club, Suite 515. **Cost is \$45/person** includes drinks, heavy Hors d'oeuvres and parking. **Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, July 25 at 5:00pm.** RSVP to Anne@Mervenne.com with checks to be made out to Anne. Note that the DAC dress code does not permit denim clothing of any color or style. Call Anne at 248.797.0763 with any questions.



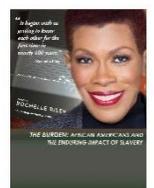
- **August 11 (Sat) 6:30 pm – Ki Hammer** invites members and a guest to her home for a summer party. The evening will include beer and wine along with a meal/heavy finger foods. **Cost: \$35/pp or \$60/couple.** Payable in advance. RSVP to khammer@ghafari.com



- **August 21, (Tues) 6:30 pm - Join Gilda Jacobs** and about 10 IWF sisters in her Huntington Woods home to discuss how the potential outcomes of the state and national elections will affect our lives, businesses, families and politics moving forward. **Cost is \$45.00** payable to Gilda. **RSVP's required by August 17.** ph: 248-227-6228 or email Gilda directly at: [gjacobson@mlpp.org](mailto:gjacobs@mlpp.org). Seating is limited to 10. Mail check to Gilda at her home: 8353 Hendrie Blvd., Huntington Woods, MI 48070 or bring evening of the event.



- **September 26, (Wednesday) 5:30 pm - The Burden: African Americans and the Enduring Impact of Slavery.** IWF-MI member **Rochelle Riley** will speak about the themes of her new book, followed by facilitated dialogue and discussion on the topic of race. Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History. Host committee **Carol Goss, Shirley Stancato, Juanita Moore** and **Saunteel Jenkins** worked with Rochelle to develop plans for what is certain to be a memorable evening. We hope that you will try to read, *The Burden*, in advance, which will enrich the conversation for everyone who attends.



President's Message:

Dear IWF-MI Sisters/Friends,

I just celebrated a life milestone – marked with a BIRTHDAY BONFIRE!!! A few new developments about our chapter.



First: The six-week window for nominating candidates for IWF is open until July 27. We're able to bring in up to 16 preeminent SE MI leaders, with targeted interest in candidates from automotive, defense and the business community, as well as news media and marketing/communications. Candidates who were nominated last year will be automatically re-considered; you're encouraged to update their applications.

Second: It's Dine-Around time! Five of our members are hosting dine-arounds this summer, including a Summer Party at Ki Hammer's home, with spouses/partners invited. I hope every member will make the effort to attend at least one of these great chances to get to know one another! Come to at least one – or all!

Third: After significant discussion and many informal conversations with members, the Board has decided to combine the separate Program and Engagement Committees into ONE – to be called Engagement Committee (unless members come up

with a better name!). Long-time members **Joanne Faycurry** and **Kathleen McCann** have generously accepted to serve as co-chairs and lead the important committee work of defining, “**What is IWF – Michigan's value proposition today?**” and identifying ways to enhance opportunities for us to get to know one another and build trust across our diverse backgrounds, experiences and passions.



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Our deepest thanks to **Tina Abbate-Marzolf**, who chaired the Engagement Committee for over two years, and to **Blanca Fauble**, who chaired the Program Committee this year, for the energy and time they both invested. Their contributions are deeply appreciated.



Fourth: The Miami conference is officially SOLD OUT at 900 attendees. However, your chances of attending are still very good if you get on the waiting list IMMEDIATELY. IWF-MI members who have will host IWF women from all over the world in Detroit. But don't delay. IWF-MI members who

have registered include: **Fay Beydoun, Dottie Dermo, Anne Doyle, Sue Ellen Eisenberg, Haifa Fakhouri, Beth Gotthelf, Ruth Holmes, Denise Ilitch, Kathleen McCann, Leslie Murphy, Sandy Pierce, Verna Green and Joanne Start.**

Hope to see you at a Dine-Around,

Anne

Did You Know???



The Honorable Brenda

Lawrence just celebrated the graduation of her pride and joy, granddaughter Asya Lawrence. What a difference a few years make. From mayor and



baby to Congresswoman and college-bound!

Congratulations to **Rochelle Riley**, author of *The Burden*, who has been named a 2018 WONder Women by the Women Officials Network Foundation. She is currently traveling the country with her book tour.



The award honors women who have improved the quality of life in Michigan through their civic, philanthropic and professional accomplishments. This year marks the 33rd celebration of WONder Women event. It will be held on Thursday, September 27th at the San Marino Club in Troy. Let's celebrate with her at our own IWF table.



The Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History will bid farewell to its long-time President & CEO **Juanita More** with a tribute at the Wright Museum on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, from 5 -7 pm. Online registration for the free event is sold out. Call 313-494-5851 to try to talk your way in as an IWF Sister!

IWF-MI Administrator Pat Dalrick is the proud “Mama” of a beautiful new bay colt, Chip. Horsemwomen Ruth



Holmes and Chris Derdarian, both former IWF-MI presidents, had the privilege of meeting the three-month-old purebred quarter horse at Pat's farm.

News & Member Sharing:



Florine Mark, President and CEO of The Weight Watchers Group, Inc., held a special event for members who have lost 50 pounds or more on June 4, 2018. About 125 honorees were recognized for having lost a total of

10,200 pounds with Weight Watchers. “This celebration wasn’t only about losing the weight,” says Mark. “It’s about gaining self-respect, building self-esteem and overcoming challenges never thought possible.”

OpTech's President & CEO, **Ronia Kruse**, was a panelist at MichAuto’s Automotive Roundtable during this year’s Mackinaw Policy Conference. Ronia spoke about Digitization of the Workforce, specifically, the critical talent shortage we are facing in Michigan and our state’s answer to filling the 811,000 vacant jobs we will see by 2024. The plan known as “Michigan’s Marshall Plan for Talent” calls for investing \$100 million in innovative programs to revolutionize Michigan’s talent and education system. OpTech is working with the Governor’s office and various partners to identify ways to retool, reskill, and train workers in a more digital world.



Karen Ebben has been elected to the Board of Directors of FAR Therapeutic Arts and Recreation, effective July 1, 2018. FAR promotes understanding and provides education for children and adults with special needs through therapeutic opportunities in the arts, recreation and leisure that enrich its clients, their families and the greater community. Founded in 1951, FAR is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization providing creative arts and recreational therapies to 1,300 members of our community with special needs.



Patricia Mooradian, President & CEO of The Henry Ford in Dearborn, was appointed to the board of directors of Amerisure Mutual Insurance Company in Farmington Hills on May 10, 2018. In her 18 years at The Henry Ford, Ms. Mooradian has led its transformation from a locally known attraction to an acclaimed world-class destination. Amerisure provides comprehensive insurance products in the construction, manufacturing and healthcare industries in 50 states.



Rabbi Tamara Kolton Ph.D. would like to invite you to sign up for the Women's Spiritual Circle: a powerful new workshop that will take you on a journey to the heart of the feminine Divine! This is a small circle for you to receive comfort, nourishment and Divine energy. Limited to 12 people



Saturday, July 14, 21, 28
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
74 W Long Lake Rd Suite 100
Bloomfield Hills, Mi 48304
[Click To Register](#)

IWF Conferences:

We encourage all our members to attend a global conference. It will open your eyes to the tremendous richness of the IWF network and membership. There are two global conferences each year with outstanding content and women leaders from all over the world attending both; each fall in North American (US or Canada); each spring on another continent.

Upcoming IWF Conferences:

- [Miami, October 24-26, 2018](#)
- [Barcelona - April 10-12, 2019](#)
- [Toronto - November 13-15, 2019](#)
- [London - May 2020](#)
- [Detroit - October 7-9, 2020](#)

IWF Global Member Portal

Have you tried the new IWF Member Portal? members.iwforum.org. We encourage you to use this platform to reach out to IWF members.

To take part, begin by logging into the portal and creating your profile. For any assistance with logging in or any questions, please contact iwf@iwforum.org.

[Video tutorial \(portal summary\)](#)

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If you have not done so, please update your member profile on the [IWF Michigan Website](#)

IWF-Michigan Board Members:

Anne Doyle, president
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Reminders:

Newsletter items are due by the 15th of the month prior to publication.

Please keep submissions to no more than two short paragraphs. Email: pdalrick@comcast.net