

Urgent Matters:

- Please add our monthly meetings to your calendar – Generally **the 1st Wednesday** of the month.
- **Dues Increase 2019.** IWF Global increased annual dues for 2019, which required IWF-MI to increase dues, as well to \$450. Invoices were sent out in December. If you have not paid, please do so ASAP to avoid a penalty charge.
- **Member Photo Directory Coming Soon. But we can't do it without your help! PLEASE PROVIDE A HEAD SHOT ASAP to Pat Dalrick.**
- **Registration is Open for Barcelona IWF Global Conference, April 10-12.**

McCann, to volunteer to host a summer Dine-Around in your home or to serve as a Host Planner for one of our fall events. All members are asked to help plan one event every other year.

Holiday Head Shots

Thanks to Ellen Hill Zeringue for selecting an outstanding photographer to take pictures at our Holiday gathering. Photographer Montez Miller did an excellent job. You are welcome to use your photograph, as you wish, provided you credit her. [Click here](#) to view Holiday pictures. Let Pat Dalrick know which you want used in our Member Photo Directory.

President's Message:

Dear IWF MI Sisters/Friends,

One of the greatest benefits of IWF membership is the door it opens to the global Sisterhood of other accomplished women who share a commitment to advancing women's leadership.

Thanks to Butzel Long shareholder **Beth Gotthelf**,



who is a member of both IWF MI and the Florida Suncoast chapter, I attended an IWF meeting during a recent visit to Sarasota. The weather was chilly, but my welcome couldn't have been warmer. IWF Suncoast members in the photo with

Beth and me are Health Care executive Mary Ruiz; Stephanie Sonnabend, co-founder of *2020 Women on Boards*, and lawyer Janice Zarro.

The evening program, "*Can You Hear Me? Women's Voices on Contested Turf*," included short presentations by several members on important new books by women authors, followed by lively table discussions.

The books were, *Women and Power* by Mary Beard; *Doing Harm: The Truth About How Bad Medicine and Lazy Science Leave Women Dismissed*,

Member Events:

- **February 6 (Wed)**, 6 p.m. – We'll kick off our first 2019 gathering with a **Member "Speed Dating"** event to give current and new members a chance to get to know each other better. The evening will include a brief orientation about the history and mission of IWF. Host Planners: Tina Abbate Marzolf, Chris Derdarian, Tricia Keith, Ruth Holmes and Gale Colwell. Bloomfield Open Hunt Club, 405 East Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Township. Cost: **\$45.00** payable in advance.
- **March 6 (Wed)** – 6 p.m. **Mining Member Gold.** Host Planners: Beth Ardisana & Tonya Allen; lardisa@asgren.com.
- **April (Saturday TBD)** – **Traditional Spring Luncheon** hosted by Florine Mark at her home.
- **April 10-12** – **IWF Global Conference.** Barcelona, Spain. Who's going?
- **May 6 (Monday)** – **DAC Bowling Party.** This IWF-MI tradition is returning by popular demand! Host Planners: Rose Berberian & Glenda Price. rosebphd@aol.com; gprice@marygrove.edu
- **Summer Dine-Arounds.** Looking for hosts!
- **Sept 4 (Wednesday)** – TBD
- **October 2 (Wednesday)** – TBD
- **November 6 (Wednesday)** – TBD

PLEASE Contact Engagement Committee Co-Chairs Joanne Faycurry or Kathleen

Misdiagnosed and Sick, by Maya Dusenberg; Down Girl: The Logic of Misogyny by Kate Manne; and The Confidence Code for Girls: The Science and Art of Self-Assurance -- What Women Should Know by Katty Kay and Claire Shipman.

It was a great format that I would love to see us try for a future event. Not only did we learn about several important new books, we discovered more about each other through the personal stories we shared during table discussion on issues related to women's success and health.

Whenever you travel, I encourage you to reach out to other IWF members beforehand. Let them know you will be in town and would love to meet other IWF Sisters for coffee, lunch or a glass of wine. I have done that for years while travelling the U.S. and overseas as a keynote speaker and have met fantastic leaders and developed friendships with women I would never have encountered without our IWF connection.

Invitation From New Alabama IWF Chapter. A great opportunity to expand your network and experience the influential and inspiring women IWF brings together is coming up. IWF Global is hosting a launch event for the new IWF Alabama chapter on Thursday, March 14 in Huntsville. Alabama women leaders are looking forward to meeting other IWF members and have organized a full day of behind the scenes events for visiting IWF delegates. I'm planning to attend and would love several of you to come with me!

Getting to know the fantastic leaders in our own IWF chapter is just the beginning. Wherever you go, I hope you will take the time to mine the gold that awaits in the IWF Sisterhood.

Anne

News & Member Sharing:



After 30 plus years as an art dealer **Lois Cohn** is thrilled to become a consultant for **SOTHEBY'S** in Michigan.

“My role with Sotheby's is somewhat loosely defined. I will be

functioning as the Sotheby's presence in Michigan; locating potential sellers and buyers, explaining the advantages of selling artworks and jewelry through Sotheby's. In other words, a combination of discovery, clarification, education and hand holding!

“Many friends have asked how the opportunity came about. It was the result of a casual discussion with a colleague who is a vice president of Sotheby's and with whom I had worked in the past. He casually asked me, ‘Well, what are you up to, now?’ My

reply was, ‘Busy with several organizations and boards, but frankly, what I really would like is a part-time job in the arts.’”

Within a few days, Lois had an intriguing, new opportunity. “I am thrilled to be a part of the art world again and I hope my experience working with clients for 30+ years will make a useful asset to the company.” If any IWF members know of someone wishing to sell artwork or jewelry, please have them contact Lois at 248 766 0006.

Patricia Mooradian, president of The Henry Ford, hosted a sold-out (800!!) lecture event with Presidential historian and author Doris Kearns Goodwin at the Museum.



IWF members Anne Doyle, Ruth Holmes, Glenda Price and Journalist Laura Berman were thrilled to have the opportunity to meet Goodwin and receive copies of her new book, *Leadership in Turbulent Times*.

Linda Solomon

is thrilled to share news that her award-winning *Pictures of Hope* program has been nominated for a national award by *PR News*, **Communicator of the Year** in the Non-Profit category. Winners will be announced at the National Press Club in Washington DC on March 15.



Pamela Trotman Reid, PhD

was the keynote speaker for the Academic Feminist Leadership Academy held in Denver on January 15-16, 2019. The academy, sponsored by the Society of Psychology of Women, offered leadership workshops and networking opportunities for women in psychological institutions and universities. Participants ranged from doctoral students to experienced administrators, all seeking to enhance their leadership skills.



On Thursday, March 21, **Vernice Anthony** and **Glenda Price** will each be recognized by the Urban League of Detroit and Southeast Michigan as *Distinguished Warriors*. This recognition, which is one of the most prestigious given in the African



American community, results from their lifetime of work and contributions to the area of human rights and social justice. They join other IWF members Haifa Fakhouri, Irma Elder, and Florine Mark who are former recipients of the award.

Hospice of Michigan Board member **Nancy Philippart** would like to



invite forum members to join her for HOM's *Barley, BBQ and Beats* event on May 23 at Eastern Market. The event promises a fun-filled evening with some of the finest spirits, BBQ and music from



local sources. But more importantly, it raises critically needed funds for services and grief support for end-of-life patients and their families regardless of ability to pay. Nancy is hoping to get a group of forum members to meet at the event. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased at <https://www.hom.org/bbb2019/>. Click on Detroit event. There are also sponsorship opportunities at a variety of levels between \$1000 and \$75,000. Please contact Nancy at philippartn@gmail.com if you are interested in learning more.

New member **Linda Orlans** and her daughter Alison are expanding their real estate law practice and opening an office in Naples, FL to serve SW Florida.



“Many of our clients are buying homes and business in Florida and have asked us to bring a new level of service and dependability for these important transactions. We selected Naples for our new office because the need is great. Collier County land transactions are notoriously the most difficult in the State. People want someone they can trust. We are fortunate to

have local connected attorneys on our team now who share our values and commitment to give more, give back and give it your all,” said Linda.



Congratulations to **Congresswomen Brenda Lawrence and Debbie Dingell** for their re-election. Both were featured in the *New York Times* coverage of the



largest-ever class of women serving in Congress. Lawrence is now Co-Chair of the bipartisan Congressional Women’s Caucus.

Beth Ardisana, co-founder and CEO of ASG Renaissance, has joined the Board of the Grand Canyon Conservancy. Hiking anyone?



Friday, March 8, 2019

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
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Dr. Indra Onwuzurike will speak at this year's celebration about "The Passions of a Nigerian Woman." As a native of Nigeria, a wife, mother and pediatric ER doctor, and business executive, she brings a unique perspective on how to thrive in spite of life's challenges.

JOIN US AT CLUB VENETIAN 29310 JOHN R MADISON HEIGHTS, MI 48071 6 P.M. NETWORKING 7:00 P.M. DINNER	COST \$40 PER PERSON OR TABLE OF 10 FOR \$350 WITH SINGLE PAYMENT OR \$15 FOR CHILDREN AGES 6-12 OR \$70 MOTHER + DAUGHTER ONE DISCOUNT ONLY	RSVP TO SAMO'N LEVER 248.223.9883 sccl@petrellalaw.com FAMILY STYLE MENU Polenta, Chicken Marsala, Baked Cod, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Salad, Rolls, Dessert, Soft Drinks & Coffee PAYMENT DUE 2/28 CASH BAR AVAILABLE
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JOIN US FOR FRIENDSHIP, FUN AND INSPIRATION

October 2020 IWF World Leadership Conference - Co-Chairs Mary Kramer and Faye Nelson

Planning is in the very early stages for the moment our IWF-MI chapter will step into the IWF Global spotlight. Mark your calendars for the week of October 5th when hundreds of IWF leaders from six

continents will gather in Detroit – many for the first time ever.

Conference Committees and Co-Chairs are now in place. This month we're convening a planning session with the Committee Co-Chairs to create the work plan that will make a successful Global Conference in the city we love. We are counting on every IWF MI member to get involved by choosing the committee where your skills, networks and interests align with planning needs.

Below is a list of the 2020 Conference Committees and Co-Chairs. Please let one of us know how you'd like to be involved. It's going to be a lot of fun and a great way to deepen our friendships with some of the most accomplished and respected women in SE Michigan.



Mary & Faye

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2020 Conference Committees:

- Behind the Scenes, co-chairs **Ellen Hill** and **Vivian Pickard**;
- Communications/Marketing, co-chairs **Marla Drutz, Linda Solomon & Rochelle Riley**.
- Dine-Around co-chairs **Joanne Start** and **Saunteel Jenkins**;
- Entertainment/Music, co-chair **Tonya Allen**;
- Fundraising, co-chairs **Denise Ilitch** and **Sandy Pierce** (we have set a goal of \$500,000 raised in this state);
- Opening Reception, co-chairs **Patricia Mooradian** and **Lisa Payne**.
- Pop-Up Shops/Gift Bag co-chair: **Ruth Holmes**
- Closing Gala & Hall of Fame - TBD

Upcoming IWF Global Conferences:

There are two global conferences each year with *outstanding content and women leaders from all over the world* in attendance. Each Fall IWF global members gathering in North American (US or Canada); each spring on another continent.

We encourage all our members to attend a global conference. The experience will open incomparable opportunities to meet and build friendships with fantastic women leaders from all over the U.S. and over 30 countries.

- [Barcelona - April 10-12, 2019](#)
(Registration is now open)
- **Toronto - November 13-15, 2019**
- **London - May 13-15, 2020**
- **Detroit - October 7-9, 2020**
- **Santiago, Chile – May 2021 (new!)**

- **Seattle – Sept. 29 - Oct 1, 2021**

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 -- www.iwfmichigan.org](http://www.iwfmichigan.org)

IWF-Michigan Board Members:



Anne Doyle, president
Joan Young, vice president
Ki Hammer, treasurer
Tina Abbate-Marzolf, secretary (missing from group photo)
Vernice Anthony Davis
Dottie Deremo
Elaine Didier (missing from group photo)
Vern Green
Laurie Horiszny
Nancy Philippart
Linda Solomon



Elaine Didier



Tina Abbate Marzolf

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