

Urgent Matters:

- **November 6-15:** Election of new Board Members and Officers by full Membership.
- IWF MI gatherings are normally the first Wednesday of the month. Mark your calendars!

Virtual Member Gatherings – Mark Your Calendars!

- **November 18 – Motown, the Museum, and the Women that made it Great** – 6:00-7:30 pm.



Join us for a unique virtual opportunity. Our speaker is IWF MI member **Robin Terry**, Chairwoman & CEO, Motown

Museum. Joining Robin will be **Claudette Robinson, of The Miracles**. **RSVP to Zoom invite.**



- **December 2 – Virtual Holiday Wine Around Gathering.** 6:30-8:00 p.m. Let's dress in our holiday best as we celebrate the end of a challenging year, deepen our friendships and thank our outgoing Board members.
- **January 2021 – No IWF gathering**
- **February 2 and March 3, 2021 – Topics TBD**

President's Message:

Dear IWF Michigan Sisters/Friends,

Well, the October 2020 IWF World Leadership Conference wasn't the gathering that we had been imagining for the last three years and working so hard to host here in Motown. The best is yet to come in October 2023!



Despite all of the obstacles created by the global pandemic, *Leading in a Disrupted World*, IWF's first virtual leadership conference, brought together over 1,000 change agents and change makers from all over the globe to agents and thought leaders to

hear outstanding speakers and connect with one another around important, global issues.

Thirty-four IWF MI members (and one guest, hosted by Linda Schlesinger-Wagner) participated in the three-day event, which included discussions of "The Impact of the Pandemic on Women" and Pulitzer prize-winning author Isabel Wilkerson, talking about her newest book, *CASTE*.

One of the highlights was Mary Barra's induction into IWF's prestigious Hall of Fame, with our own Deborah Wahl leading a fascinating "Fireside Chat" with Mary about leadership.



Here's the good news: all of the recorded content is available to IWF members On Demand.

If you already registered for the conference but missed some of the sessions or fascinating "Behind the Scenes" experiences, you can access it in the On-Demand library. If you did not register before the Virtual Conference began, it's not too late.

To register and view in the On-Demand library, click the below link. Make sure you use the same email that IWF has on file when you registered.

<https://www.iwfconference.org/2020conference/begin>

I encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to discover the access to outstanding global thinkers and leaders that IWF membership and its high-quality conferences offers. .

The price has never been better, and you can enjoy it all from your own home. I encourage you to find out why so many of our members have attended multiple IWF global conferences. But be careful, they can be very addicting!

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Election of New Board Members & Officers, Nov. 6-15

It's time to say good-bye to five long-serving board members and elect a new slate of members who have answered our call to serve on our IWF MI Board. By the time you read this, you may have already received your ballot by email. Please vote and return your ballot by Sunday evening, Nov. 15. Our Board Development Committee (**Laurie Horiszny**, chair; **Donna Inch** and **Kathleen Ligocki**) ask for your support for the following slate:



Carolyn Cassin, a current board member, to serve as our new president.



Shirley Stancato, to be elected as a new board member and vice-president.



Dr. Betty Chu to be elected to join the board.



Denise Lewis, who was named to the Board several months ago, Saunteel Jenkins resigned for health reasons, to be elected to a new board term.



Kim Pittel, current co-chair of the Membership Committee, to be elected to join the board.

The board terms of **Anne Doyle**, **Vern Davis Anthony**, **Elaine Didier**, **Laurie Horiszny** and **Linda Solomon** are expiring. Because five members are leaving the board and only three new members are joining, the number of board members will be reduced from 11 to nine.

All terms are for two-years, with the option to be re-elected for another two years.

PLEASE VOTE!!

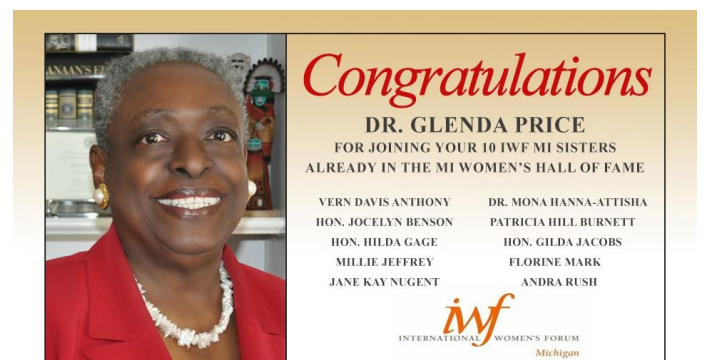
News & Member Sharing:

In celebration of 35 years of warming, stabilizing and empowering Michigan families, **Saunteel Jenkins** is proud to announce that THAW (The Heat & Warmth Fund) is partnering with DTE Energy for a **Week of Warmth, November 1-6**. The week of signature fundraising events will culminate Nov. 6 with a virtual **Night of Warm Hearts Gala – Warming Homes Together While Apart**. Events include moving client stories, fabulous entertainment, and silent auction.



Congratulations Dr. Glenda Price for your induction into the Michigan Women's Historic Hall of Fame!

Glenda is the 11th IWF Michigan member to be inducted into the prestigious HOF. The Hall and the annual induction event have now been taken under the protective wing of Michigan Women Forward, which hosted the virtual evening.



IWF MI members **Blanca Fauble**, **Anne Doyle**, **Dr. Glenda Price**, and **Carolyn Cassin**, CEO of Michigan Women Forward.

Carol Goss shares the news that her daughter, Fatima Goss Graves, President and CEO of the National Women’s Law Center, recently received the John Gardner Leadership Award from Independent Sector.



The prestigious award honored Graves for her “leadership, advocacy, service and activism on behalf of women and girls.” The National Women’s Law Center is one of the founders of the Time’s Up Legal Defense Fund, providing legal services to low income women who are victims of sexual harassment and sexual assault.

Linda Orlans has been selected to serve on the State of Michigan’s Attorney Discipline Board. She is one of six lawyers appointed by the MI Supreme Court for a three-year term. The board is responsible for reviewing allegations of misconduct of lawyers. “It is a huge privilege, honor great responsibility,” said Linda.



Olga Stella was recently named the inaugural vice president of Strategy and Communications at the College for Creative Studies. She is charged with strengthening CCS’s public presence, relevance and external partnerships in the face of changing social and economic conditions. Olga will continue to lead Design Core Detroit, an economic development entity part of the college which works to position Detroit as a global source of creative talent. Olga would love to hear from you if you are interested in learning more about the role of artists and designers in Detroit's revitalization.



Nancy Philippart, president of the MI Women Officials Network, hopes you will wrap yourself in their 100% silk, commemorative scarf. It’s a great way to honor the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th amendment and support WON’s important work.



The Women Officials Network is a SE MI nonprofit working to promote and support women’s leadership in the public sector. Produced by women fair trade market co-op, the price for non-members is \$110, (includes shipping and handling). The price for the 36”x 36” square scarf drops to \$60 with purchase of a \$35 WON [annual membership](#). To learn more about WON or pre-order scarves, Nancy would love to hear from you at philippartn@gmail.com.



Carhartt President & CEO **Linda Hubbard** will share her perspective on leadership at the Detroit Regional Chamber’s upcoming “Inside the CEO Mind” virtual event.



Participants are invited to join an open discussion following the presentation. [Click Here](#) to register.

For more information, please contact [Marianne Bogard](#) at 313.596.0479.



Oakland University President **Ora Pescovitz**, describing herself as OU’s “Mother Grizzly Bear,” wrote a *Detroit Free Press* commentary warning, “Don’t mess with my cubs; herd immunity is not for my students!” To read more on the steps she and her leadership

team are taking to provide a safe and healthy environment for OU’s 22,000 students, faculty and staff, while also protecting the financial stability and academic quality of the university, [click here](#).

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 gather in North American (US or Canada), and each spring on another continent.

We encourage all our members to attend a global conference. Because this year's global conference is virtual, it is easier (and more cost-effective!) than ever to experience the richness of this Global Sisterhood you are now part of.

- **Seattle – Sept. 29 - Oct 1, 2021**
- **Santiago, Chile – May 18-20, 2022**
- **Detroit, MI – Fall 2023**

IWF-Michigan 2020 Board Members:



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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

IWF Global Member Portal

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