

WTS

*Advancing Women in Transportation
SW Idaho Chapter*

The 2016 Annual Gala was a great success, with everyone enjoying the gorgeous view from the 17th Floor of the Zion's Bank Building and the Quartet Band playing lively Cajun-style music. In addition to seeing old friends, we gathered to honor and present awards to the following individuals and organizations.

Dyan Bevins, P.E. - Woman of the Year



Dyan's Bevins professional performance and exemplary personality brilliantly underscore the very high standards and principles of this award. Flawlessly professional, focused, stellar leadership credentials, rock solid integrity – Dyan masters it all with the heart of a servant. Dyan sets a very high bar but she also encourages other women to achieve their dreams and excel professionally. She has all the right qualities and has unquestionably earned the confidence, admiration and respect of her peers and leadership at ACHD and throughout the transportation community. Dyan has made an outstanding contribution to the transportation industry.

Kathleen Godfrey - Member of the Year



Kathleen Godfrey became a strong WTS proponent and Member of the Board just two years ago as a volunteer on the Awards Gala Committee. She has since taken on a much larger role by leading the Gala preparations and supporting two other critical WTS committees. Kathleen is a hard worker who embraces the WTS vision of closing the workforce gap by promoting lifelong careers for women in transportation. She has become an ambassador for WTS in all she does and is committed to lifting up others through the SW Idaho Chapter. Her enthusiasm, loyalty to WTS's vision and goals, and commitment to excellence are embodied in her dedication to

both *Transportation You* and our scholarship program.

ACHD - Employer of the Year



In 2016, ACHD has charted a course of excellence which no other organization has been able to replicate. ACHD has demonstrated leadership in enhancing and elevating women's professional opportunities by:

- Advancing women in leadership roles that historically have been filled by men. Women now represent 29 percent of ACHD's supervisory positions.
- Developing specific career and leadership training programs by partnering with Boise State University to enhance professional development.
- Establishing professional education opportunities for women (including tuition assistance) to lay the foundation for both professional and personal career advancement.
- Partnering with a myriad of professional organizations to open many doors for ACHD's women to enhance their professional development opportunities.
- Dramatically increasing our internship opportunities, again in areas historically filled by men – this has resulted in interns successfully gaining full time positions both within and outside ACHD.

ACHD leads the pack in supporting WTS by consistently increasing membership and leadership roles at the local level, and by supporting the highest levels for all of the WTS functions. ACHD is not only a member and sponsor; we are a partner and share WTS's vision. ACHD was recognized by the WTS Treasure Valley Chapter as the 2014 Sponsor of the Year; in 2015 as the first Secretary Ray LaHood Award winner; and as the 2015 Innovative Transportation Solutions Award winner.

Alan Frew - Ray LaHood Award



Alan Frew has served as the Administrator of the Idaho Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) for more than 25 years. He has guided the DMV through tremendous change due to advances in technology and workplace operations. Throughout his career, Alan has encouraged women and minorities to compete for leadership roles. Alan's current leadership team is made up of three women and one Hispanic man. He fosters the growth of his staff and takes personal interest in their training and career advancement. He empowers women to do great things and to take credit for their work. While the DMV has been recognized with dozens of awards over the years, Alan

always gives kudos to his staff. He is a man of integrity who is dedicated to advancing the reputation and credibility of women in transportation.

Main Street Station - Innovative Project



Main Street Station, a woman-led project, is well deserving of the WTS Innovative Solutions Award. The station, located at 777 W. Main Street, represents the successful culmination of years of planning and the development of strong public and private sector partnerships to achieve a common goal. It is a facility that improves the overall transportation infrastructure in downtown Boise, and positions Valley Regional Transit to accommodate the future. The Main Street Station project was led by VRT Development Director Rhonda Jalbert. Over the course of the project, a total of 12 women from the public and private sector worked in a variety of capacities to bring the project to completion. The station opened in October 2016.