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New Mexico Network for Women in Science & Engineering Honors Maggie Werner-Washburne with IMPACT! Award

Albuquerque, NM (October 6, 2021, 2021) – The New Mexico Network for Women in Science in Engineering (NMNWSE) honors Dr. Margaret (Maggie) Werner-Washburne with the 15th Annual IMPACT! Award.

The Award, given to a New Mexico woman for her extraordinary efforts in encouraging and helping women enter and succeed in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), as well as promoting networking and communication among women in these careers. Dr. Werner-Washburne will be honored at the NMNWSE Annual Meeting and Technical Symposium, October 22-24, 2021, in Albuquerque, NM.

Dr. Werner-Washburne is a Regent's Professor Emerita in Biology at UNM, Past-President of (Society for Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science, an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Lifetime Mentor (2017), AAAS Fellow, 2011 Harvard Foundation Distinguished Scientist, highly cited researcher, and a recipient of two US Presidential awards for research and excellence in science, engineering, and math mentoring.

Dr. Werner-Washburne is also widely recognized for her work in diversity in STEM. She has contributed to the careers of hundreds of students by providing them with mentor training, talks, and various tools for success. For the past 3.5 years, her project has been STEM Boomerang www.stemboomerang.org. The goal of STEM Boomerang is to connect highly educated, high tech STEM grads with careers in New Mexico and to seed top levels of leadership in the state with young leaders who can help New Mexico grow in ways that align with the valued cultures and traditions in the state.

The NMNWSE began in 1975 with a core group of faculty and staff from UNM wanting to reach out to women in science as a group. Since then, the Network has worked to encourage and help women enter and succeed in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math careers and promote networking and communication among members by providing regularly scheduled meetings, talks and other local activities.

For further information on NMNWSE or the IMPACT! Award, please visit www.nmnwse.org.

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