

## Cindy D. Higgins

From a young age, I was taught the importance of being part of a team and that shaped who I am today.

My first job in 1971 was at the Honda Store, where I participated in all aspects of owning a motorcycle – except for riding them. What an exciting place for a young lady to establish her foothold in a maledominated world! I was a cocktail waitress in restaurants and bars for 3-4 years – my numeric skills remain sharp and accurate to this day.

I joined the U.S. Dept. of Energy/Bonneville Power Administration in 1989 and currently hold a position as Budget Analyst on the Transmission Finance Team. I review actual charges and balance organizational budgets; adjusting charges from one organization to another, as needed.

I joined FEW in 2001 and was immediately asked to be the Chapter Secretary, followed by the Chapter Treasurer/Membership Chair position, 2002-2005. I was elected as the Regional Secretary in 2004, followed by my appointment as Regional Representative from 2006-2010. I was elected as Regional Manager in 2010 and will end my 2-term tenure in July 2014.