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## Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch

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**PLEASE NOTE:** In case of inclement weather, if Parkway or Rockwood School Districts are closed, Ballwin-Chesterfield meetings will be cancelled.

### December Branch Meeting

Thursday, December 9

(Snow Date: December 10)

**9:30 AM- 1:30 PM\***

Trinity Lutheran Church

14088 Clayton Road (at Woods Mill Road)

Members and Guests are Invited to the

### Annual Holiday Auction and Luncheon

**“AAUW: Making a Difference”**



**Boxed Lunch from Hearth  
Room Café, Silent and Oral  
Auctions, 50/50, “Loop It Up  
In University City” Raffle**

**\*Bring your Silent and Oral Auction Donations  
to the church at 9:00 AM**

Tickets (\$15) must be purchased before  
December 1

For information and details, see page 3

### PRESIDENTS’ CORNER

As we enter the holiday season with the frenzy of shopping, cooking, baking (yes, some of us still enjoy cooking and baking), cleaning (well, maybe some enjoy cleaning), and socializing (now there we all agree!), let’s take a few minutes to reflect on all our blessings.

First, of course, comes family. For many of us, that “family” has come to include our AAUW “sisters.” For them we are grateful. We can also be grateful for what AAUW and the Ballwin-Chesterfield branch do to enrich our lives: for the opportunity to work for equity for girls and women, for our fellowship and local scholarship women, for interesting Dollars for Scholars events that broaden our horizons, for interest groups that keep us active and growing, and for the opportunity to meet compatible women and develop friendships.

On December 9 we will celebrate “Making a Difference” at our Holiday Auction. Members have donated exciting gifts for the oral auction, and it’s always a treat to see what great things are available on the silent auction tables. If you haven’t bought your raffle tickets for the fabulous “Loop it Up in University City,” featuring a night at the beautiful Moonrise Hotel, these are available now and at the auction.

Remember that the auction is our major fundraiser for the branch, with proceeds helping to pay for things such as meeting expenses, speakers, insurance, and the leadership fund. And it is always such a festive event, too! Be there ready to visit with friends, to bid, and to cheer on others. This branch depends on the involvement of everyone.

We wish you a wonderful season, full of family and friends. Enjoy Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and all the other events that keep us so busy and joyous at this time

- Marcia and Bette

**BOARD MEETING – No Board Meeting in  
December or January**

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# AAUW, IBC & BRANCH NEWS

## AAUW BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD OFFICERS AND CHAIRS

### ELECTED OFFICERS:

**Presidents:** Bette Bude & Marcia Block

**Vice Presidents-Program:** Suzanne Couch & Erlaine Eltomi

**Vice Presidents-Membership:** Yvonne Morrison & Joan Lunt

**Secretary:** Judy Stagoski

**Treasurer:** Carol Thomas

### APPOINTED OFFICERS:

**Bylaws/Parliamentarian:** Doris Nistler

**Directory:** Dodie Barnes & Rosemary Manley

**Dollars for Scholars:** Barbara Tackitt & Judy Green

**Educational Foundation (EOF):** Jan Horner & Mary Kay Wolfe

**Fall Brunch:** Jayne Kasten & Phyllis Oakes

**Historian:** Carol Derington

**Holiday Auction:** Pat Shores & Harriett Hirschfeld

**Hospitality:** Diane Correll & Carol LeBegue

**International Relations:** Marian Bauer

**Legal Advocacy Fund:** Barbara Butchart & Ruth Griffin

**Newsletter Editors:** Joyce Katz & Mary Jermak

**Public Policy:** Sandy Camillo & Teri Miller

**Publicity:** Pat Shores

**Recognition:** Julia Triplett

**Spring Luncheon:** Gloria Campion, Jane Miller & Diane Siegel

**Technology:** Joyce Katz

### APPOINTED CHAIRS:

**Advisor:** Mary Jermak

**Care Notes:** Yvonne Blair

**IBC:** Leslie Wier

**STEM:** Sandra Murdock

**Summer Picnic:** Susie Teicher & Jane Clendenin

For membership information, call Yvonne Morrison (636-391-6026) or Joan Lunt (636-527-7488).

The Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch Newsletter is published 10 times a year (each month except June and August) and mailed or e-mailed to each member. Your newsletter co-chairs are Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, [joyka234@aol.com](mailto:joyka234@aol.com)), and Mary Jermak (636-532-3040, [marygjermak@att.net](mailto:marygjermak@att.net)). Please e-mail articles if possible. You may phone articles in, or mail to Mary Jermak, 15231 Brightfield Manor Dr., Chesterfield, MO 63017. The deadline for articles for the January newsletter is Dec. 9 (the 2nd Thursday).

Meeting Agendas and the Branch E-mail list are reserved for AAUW & branch business only!

**AAUW (IBC) DOWNTOWN LUNCH (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 11:45 AM). Dec. 21: Peppe's Apartment 2, 808 S. Geyer, Kirkwood.** Contact Jean Shull (314-822-7821, [jshull2@mindspring.com](mailto:jshull2@mindspring.com)) for reservations.

**ADELANTE (IBC Book-of-the Month Club) 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 1:30 PM, Borders Books on Olive St. Rd., Creve Coeur.** No meeting in December.

## SAVE THESE 2011 DATES:

**1. Jan. 7-8: WHAT'S UP FOR WOMEN IN THE 2011 LEGISLATIVE SESSION?**

Join women from around the state and from other AAUW branches for Workshops/Special Presentations at the **Women's Issues Legislative Retreat, 2011 Rickman Center, Jefferson City, MO**

Find a flyer in your AAUW-MO newsletter, *Missouri in Motion*, or download one (by Jan. 5, please) with complete registration information from the branch website, [www.aauwballwin-chesterfield.org](http://www.aauwballwin-chesterfield.org),

**2. April 30-May 1: AAUWMO Conference at Tan-Tar-A** in Lake Ozark. Join with AAUW members from all over Missouri to attend interesting sessions, gain information, vote on issues and get involved! More details to follow.

**3. June 16-19: AAUW National Convention in Washington DC.** Early registration opens December

1. See [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) for details.

## BRANCH DIRECTORY NEWS

The December Directory Supplement, listing new members who have joined and updates gathered since the 2010-2011 directory was published, is included with this issue. Members who receive their newsletters by postal mail have the new directory pages folded inside their newsletters. Members who receive their newsletters by e-mail can find their directory supplement pages in a special e-mail, separate from the newsletter.

If you are a new member (since November) or would like a picture retake, please be sure to have your picture taken at a branch meeting or send a print or a digital photo to Joyce Katz. Joyce will return the print to you.

- *Dodie Barnes and Rosemary Manley, Co-Chairs*

## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – Jan. thru April

You are invited to join with AAUW members, the Ethical Society's Tuesday Women's Association and interested members of the community to attend four lectures on current events about international relations.

Our 2011 season will begin Tuesday, January 11, with a presentation on the European Union. Topics for February, March and April include China--Race for Resources, International Women's Day and the Red Cross World Wide.

These lectures are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:45 AM at the Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd. They are open and free to all. Hope to see many of you there. - *Marian Bauer, Chair*

*By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women have a fair chance.*

# AAUW, IBC & Branch News (Continued)



**“AAUW: MAKING A DIFFERENCE” HOLIDAY AUCTION,  
DECEMBER 9, 9:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. (Snow date  
December 10), Cost: \$15.00**

Sometimes with our personal finances we have to ask ourselves, “Why is there so much month left at the end of the money?” That is the same question we ask in our Branch about this time of year. Our \$22.00 Ballwin-Chesterfield dues do not cover all the ways we want to make a difference for women and girls, so we hold our Annual Holiday Auction to supplement the dues. Since this is the only fundraiser we have for the Branch’s Operating and Leadership Development Funds, we encourage each of our members to participate. Here are the ways you can help:

1. **BUY A TICKET FOR YOURSELF AND ASK A FRIEND TO BUY ONE, TOO.** Send a check for \$15.00 made out to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield, with Holiday Auction in the memo line, and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Pat Jennings, 515 Summit Cove Court, Ballwin, MO 63011. The deadline for buying a ticket is Wednesday, December 1.
2. **BRING A NEW, HIGH QUALITY ITEM THAT CAN BE USED ANY TIME OF THE YEAR FOR THE SILENT AUCTION.** When you bring your Silent Auction items in at 9:00 AM be ready to give the Runner a suggested value which will expedite the process of pricing and getting the pieces on a table. This year we will display the Silent Auction items differently. Baked goods will be on one table, single piece Silent Auction items will be on a second table, Silent Auction items with multiple pieces will be on a third table and small baskets will be displayed on a fourth table. Hopefully, this will make it easier to revisit the thing you liked during the hectic bidding time.
3. **PLAN AN ORAL AUCTION ITEM BY YOURSELF OR GET TOGETHER WITH YOUR AAUW FRIENDS TO CREATE A PACKAGE THAT EVERYONE WILL WANT TO BID ON.** Check out the list of our wonderful Oral Auction items on the next two pages. And, remember that individuals or groups can bid on an Oral Auction item or package. Get together with your friends and family to plan what you will “go for”.
4. **BUY 50/50 TICKETS ON THE DAY OF THE AUCTION.** Half the money will go to the Branch and the other half will be shared by three lucky winners. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00.
5. **BUY OR SELL YOUR FIVE AUCTION TICKETS FOR LOOP IT UP IN UNIVERSITY CITY AND GET IN THE BONUS DRAWING FOR A BEAUTIFUL WINTER WREATH.** Check your emailed or postal mailed directions that were sent to you on October 26 for details of the Raffle. The bonus Winter Wreath that is on display is a sample. The winner can order a wreath to coordinate with her colors or ask for changes in the display. Raffle tickets are one for \$5.00 or five for \$20.00.
6. **IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND OR SEND AN AUCTION ITEM, MAKE A CASH DONATION TO THE OPERATING AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FUND.** Make your check out to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield, with Holiday Auction in the memo, and send it to Carol Thomas, 18208 Ashford Oaks Drive, Glencoe, MO 63038.
7. **KEEP WORKING TO MAKE IT HAPPEN FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS.** Ballwin-Chesterfield members have already donated exciting auction items that everyone will admire and want to bid on. See the next pages for individual item descriptions so you can prepare to bid! Ballwin-Chesterfield members who are making a difference are Anna Bradley, who is donating an antique Boudoir Chair for the Oral Auction, and Marsha Weppelman, who is giving a shoulder bag purse made with multicolored hand woven fabric to the Silent Auction.

**Questions or comments**, contact Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520, [hhirschfe@aol.com](mailto:hhirschfe@aol.com)), or Pat Shores (636-938-3958, [apatriciashores@att.net](mailto:apatriciashores@att.net)), Holiday Auction Co-Chairs.

Wonderful Offerings to Bid Upon -- by yourself or with a friend or group -- at the  
ORAL AUCTION! Here's part I:

**Gung Hay Fat Choy ('Happy New Year' in Mandarin).** *Courtesy of Susan Haynes, \$150.00 value.*

Five ladies are invited to join Susan Haynes to celebrate Chinese New Year sometime in February, 2011 (or 2 couples are invited to join Susan and her friend). Susan will set a very elegant table with the Chinese place settings that she brought back from Hong Kong. The menu will consist of drinks, appetizers, soup, several entrees and sides, and finish with a wonderful Chinese dessert. The menu will be a mixture of homemade and store-bought from Susan's favorite Chinese restaurant. You are asked to wear something with an oriental touch, if you have it. Chinese favors, stories and fortune-telling are on the agenda.

**Porch Glider,** *Courtesy of Rose Buck and Linda Tinker, \$85.00 value.*

Here is the perfect gift for yourself, your family and your friends. (You'll probably add to your list of friends with the purchase of the glider!). Handmade of unfinished white wood and finished with Total Wood Preservative in a cedar tone, the Glider is 62" in total length with a bench seat measuring 44-1/2 ". The depth and height is 30 ". The glider comfortably seats two adults and two dachshunds (Dachshunds not included.) The glider is available for testing at Linda Tinker's home is Wildwood. Delivery included.  
*Bidding starts at \$50.00*

**AAUW Teal Rabbit Fur Scarf,** *Courtesy of The Fur Shop, \$ 150.00 value*

Wear our AAUW color, along with your diamonds and pearls, when you put on this beautiful rabbit fur scarf.

**Super Sized Suitcase,** *Courtesy of Sandra Murdock, \$ 100.00 value.*  
Planning a trip? Needing more home storage? Use this dark teal green suitcase for that. The luggage piece has rollers for easy moving and can be checked on air flights.

**Golf for Four at Pevely Farms Golf Club,** *Courtesy of Pevely Farms Golf Club, 400 Lewis Road, St. Louis, (Eureka) MO, \$250.00 value.*

Pevely Farms, a once thriving dairy show farm, has been transformed into a world-class golf experience by one of the greatest names in golf course architecture, Arthur Hills. Hills' layout appeals to golfers of all skill levels and will provide an excellent challenge for the scratch golfer as well as pleasure and fun for the occasional player. Redeemable for golf Monday through Thursday, any time, excluding holidays. Expiration Date 12/31/11. This package includes one golf glove for a woman and one for a man along with golf balls.

**Fun with a Future AAUW Member,** *Courtesy of Pat Shores, \$120.00 value*

Spend hours playing with a future AAUW member who might be your daughter, granddaughter or friend. Make a necklace with the bead box materials. Learn fun, sticky stuff to do with candy. Put together doll jewelry. Watch Sleeping Beauty and Alice in Wonderland on a DVD. Take interesting pictures with the 35mm Klutz camera. Have fun with crafts using sticks, foam shapes, foam paint brushes, stamps, stickers and scissors. This package can be purchased and then divided up to give to several future AAUW members. Think birthdays and holidays!

**Vintage Boudoir Chair,** *Courtesy of Anna Bradley, \$75.00 value.*

This vintage chair is a Sheraton style caneback chair with a professionally upholstered seat in a neutral fabric. It is walnut; approximately 36 inches tall and 19 inches wide, and is in excellent condition. *This chair needs to get at least a \$75.00 bid.*

**Bowling Party for Up to 10 People,** *Courtesy of Pin-Up Bowl, 6191 Delmar in the Loop, University City, \$230.00 value.*

. Valid for two lanes of bowling for two hours, including shoes, through March 12, 2011.  
Pin-Up Bowl is St. Louis' original bowling alley and martini lounge, offering an extensive menu of classic, modern and signature martinis. The full bar also serves beer, liquors and wines, and the kitchen serves up an eclectic mix that's sure to satisfy. Host a party event at this fun venue!

**Vintage French Christening Gown,** *Courtesy of Barb Kelley, \$50.00 value.*

Former member Barb Kelley (now living in France) has sent us another French gem. The christening gown measures 24 inches long and 7 inches across the shoulders. This delicate, white gown would be lovely worn by a baby or displayed on a doll. Includes a Written Heirloom for My Grandchild, Grandmother Remembers.

See next page for part II...

**6-Course Italian Dinner for 8.** *Courtesy of Italian Chefs Sandy Camillo, Gloria Campion, Terri Ciccolella, Mary Jermak, Phyllis Oakes and Judy Stagoski. Value: Priceless.* "The Hill" can't hold a candle to our local chefs. This fine dinner will be a special treat and a fine dining experience.

**Two tickets to the Fox Theatre,** *Courtesy of the Fox and Jan Pritchard,* Exciting details will be given at the Auction.

**ORAL AUCTION ITEMS -part II**

**Antique School Desk**

*Courtesy of Judy Stagoski, \$100 value,* This authentic school desk is believed to date from early 1900's. Made of wood, it has a traditional green cast iron base that would have been bolted to the floor. A folding seat is attached to the front. The inkwell shows evidence that a filled ink bottle was used by more than one student. Its surface is distressed just enough to indicate that many assignments were written on it. The traditional "cubby" for books is waiting to hold some favorite childhood reads. The dimensions of the writing surface are 22" x 14" with an overall height of 26 1/2" which would have fit a child in 2nd or 3rd grade. (Added note: any possible wads of gum have long since been removed!)

**Ginger Bay Spa Package,**

*Courtesy of Kay Blalock, \$ 110.00 value.* "Beauty is as beauty does" is the mission of Aveda. So take action by pampering your inner and outer beauty at Ginger Bay Salon in Kirkwood with a PURE FOCUS PICK ME UP. Treat yourself to a facial OR a 30 minute massage AND a manicure AND a pedicure. Care for yourself as you care for the community--all plant-based products from a company that supports environmental sustainability!

**Original Silk Floral Arrangement**

**Designed Just for You** *Courtesy of Jill Norton*

Do you have a space that begs for a knock-out floral centerpiece? Jill Norton will consult with you about that piece, shop with you to help you choose and purchase the desired stems, textures and container. Then Jill will create, arrange and present your unique piece to you in a timely manner.

**Innsbrook Getaway** *Courtesy of Barbara Miller \$250 value*

Enjoy an overnight stay at the beautiful Innsbrook resort in a private chalet located on Lake Innsbrook. You'll be close to the riding stables and 5 miles from a new winery. Walking, sitting on the dock, enjoying the view from the deck, playing bridge, using the golf course or eating at the clubhouse are a few of the optional activities. Just relaxing is always included. This package will be a special treat for a couple or a group of 4 to 6 ladies. The dates can be arranged. The offer's good until December, 2011.

**Back by Popular Demand . . .President's Pastries,**

*Courtesy of Present and Former Co-Presidents of Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch, \$300.00 value*

Delicious, homemade delights lovingly prepared and delivered monthly by your current and past Ballwin-Chesterfield Presidents with 3 BONUS TREATS for those special occasions -- a total of 15 exceptional desserts plus a festive basket of plates and napkins that will surely reduce stress for the entire year.

**Sweet 2011, Month by Month**

January	Pat Jennings	Double Chocolate Cheesecake with Berries
February	Julie Triplett	Delicious Rum Bundt Cake
March	Marilyn Morton	Terrific Truffles
April	Mary Jermak	Luscious Carrot Cake with Creamy Icing
May	Rose Buck	Lemon/Blueberry/Poppy Seed Loaf
June	Mersine Kallaos	Wonderful Strawberry Pie
July	Yvonne Morrison	Chocolate Soufflé Cakes to Die For
August	Linda Tinker	Cool Homemade Ice Cream
September	Sue Barley	Sweet Surprise Selection
October	Pat Shores	Pumpkin Roll with Cream Cheese Filling
November	Ruth Griffin	Apple Pie or 2 Pumpkin Pies in Homemade Pastry Crusts
December	Linda Stark	Dozens of Delightful Cookies (Two dozen of several kinds . You decide from 5 choices)
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Bonus	Rosann Swaringim	Heavenly Angel Food Cake Smothered in Coconut Frosting
Bonus	Marcia Block	Your Pleasure, Our Delight
Bonus	Bette Bude	Your Pleasure, Our Delight
Special Basket	Harriett Hirschfeld	A Potpourri of Paper Plates and Napkins for the Whole Year

*Be creative: purchase this package for your own uses; give all or parts as a truly unique present; go together with a friend and share the bounty. Use your bonus desserts imaginatively, too – parties, family gatherings, donations .*

**Two-Table Bridge Party in a**

**Basket,** *courtesy of Jackie Fleck, \$60.00 value*

Includes: One two-deck Caspari Cards (Birds) set, with matching napkins, and score pad; one two-deck Caspari Cards (Flowers) set, with matching napkins and score pad; four plastic snack dishes in the shapes of hearts, diamonds, spades, and clubs; bridge mix and nuts; pencils; and 8 homemade tallies with 100 page pads for scoring in each.

**Wine and Dinner,** *Courtesy of Pam Kuehlman, \$ Priceless*

Spoil yourself and your friends. Enjoy a Wine Party for six at the Town and Country home of Pam Kuehling. Savor an elegant dinner on fine china with five of your friends, or bid on this together. Menu options can be tailored to your desires. There will be a different wine served with each course and additional wine samplings.

# UPDATES FROM OUR BRANCH CHAIRS



## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

### *A Sincere Welcome to ALL Our New Members*

**Vickie Jany**, 12 Ridgecrest Dr., Chesterfield 63017  
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Vickie has her undergraduate degree in Education from Southeast Missouri State U. and a Master of Secondary Education with emphasis in Reading from UMSL. She is a very recent retiree from the Parkway School District, where she taught middle school.

Vickie enjoys reading and traveling and will now have more time to visit her sons in Denver and Baltimore. We are happy to have her in our branch.

**Anne Warner**, 22 Crosswinds Dr., Olivette 63132  
Phone: 314-991-8860 Cell: 314-629-8860  
Email: [chicartiste@gmail.com](mailto:chicartiste@gmail.com)

Anne has a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of North Carolina. Now retired, she was a former Director of Product Development in the garment industry. Currently she is a member of Fashion Group International and Organizing for America.

Her interests include reading, needlework, creating computer art and singing. Anne, we are delighted that you joined our branch.

**Doris Yohe**, 1214 Summerpoint Lane, Fenton 63026  
Phone: 636-225-1725 Cell: 314-805-8932  
Email: [dorisyohe@gmail.com](mailto:dorisyohe@gmail.com)

Doris has a BA degree from UMSL and a MSW from St. Louis U. She is a retired Medical Social Worker, having worked at St. Anthony's Medical Center. She now volunteers at Eliot Chapel and as an usher at both the Fox and Repertory Theaters. Other activities include her position as corresponding secretary for the Daughters of the American Revolution, playing bridge and mah jongg, biking, gardening and taking classes at St. Louis Community College. Welcome to our branch, Doris.

**Susan Zerjav**, 719 Hidden Lake Dr., St. Peters 63376  
Phone: 636-441-4461 Cell: 636-866-7244  
Email: [szerjav@yahoo.com](mailto:szerjav@yahoo.com)

Susan is a graduate of Fontbonne U. where she received a BS degree in Elementary and Special Education. Her many professional years include working with severely handicapped infants and being a pilot teacher for the State of Missouri in an Autistic Education program. She now serves as a volunteer receptionist at Sts. Joachim and Ann Parish where she is a senior group member.

She enjoys playing board and card games and traveling. We extend a warm welcome, Susan.

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## Educational Opportunities Fund (EOF)

### Eleanor Roosevelt Walk

Our annual Eleanor Roosevelt Walk was held on Monday, October 18, at Faust Park. It was a glorious fall day, made even more glorious by the camaraderie and enthusiasm of our dedicated AAUW participants who were able to exercise, raise money and socialize – all at the same time.

The Walk was organized by Helen Fick and Rosann Swaringim who publicized the event, persuaded members to participate, collected money and arranged lunch.

Many thanks to all walkers and sponsors for enthusiastically supporting this important event! We raised a significant contribution of \$2795 for the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund. The Eleanor Roosevelt Fund finances research on topics important to AAUW's goals and mission.

### November's Individual Giving Event

At the November meeting members generously gave during the annual EOF **Individual Giving Drive**. Our total as of November 12 was \$3055! Many, many thanks! If you missed the meeting and want to make a donation in support of AAUW/EOF's mission, send your tax-deductible contribution to Mary Kay Wolfe, 7 Ironside Court, St. Charles, MO 63303. Make your checks payable to AAUW-Funds and indicate which fund you wish to have credited. The Branch encourages members to contribute to the Silver Anniversary Projects and Research Grant (#4286), but contributions can also be made to the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund or any EOF fund of your choice. All donations to EOF help give women and girls the chance for a lifetime of success.

### AAUW Legacy Circle

AAUW's Legacy Circle is comprised of AAUW members and friends who have designated a gift to AAUW in their wills or who have completed a gift annuity. If you are interested in making a planned gift or learning more about planned giving, please pick up an informational packet which is available at the membership table at each branch meeting or from EOF Co-Chairs, Mary Kay Wolfe and Jan Horner.

## PUBLIC POLICY

**SAVE THE DATE: AAUW TITLE IX FORUM ON FEBRUARY 1, 2011, 7:00 PM at TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH.** A panel of speakers, including women coaches and athletic directors, will relate their experiences and answer your questions about Title IX and sports. Title IX protects female student-athletes and helps them to achieve equity.

### **Do you want to know more about issues that affect women?**

You just need to look on the AAUW website to join the **AAUW Action Network** (free) to be a part of what is happening nationally with AAUW issues. You will receive the **Two Minute Activist** which lets you easily and efficiently tell Congress what you think, and Washington Update, a weekly e-bulletin for members only who want detailed inside information about AAUW issues in the capital.

- Sandy Camillo and Teri Miller, Co-Chairs

# Updates From Our Branch Chairs (Continued)

## LAF: Update on Wal-Mart Discrimination Lawsuit

On October 21, 2010, lead women plaintiffs in the sex discrimination case against Wal-Mart (Dukes vs. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.) filed a brief opposing Wal-Mart's recent request to the U.S. Supreme Court to review the class action decision made by a lower court. In April, 2010, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit ruled that the lawsuit against Wal-Mart could proceed as a class action.

This case is the largest employment discrimination lawsuit in American history, involving more than 1,000,000 current and former female workers at Wal-Mart and Sam's Club stores. This case began when Betty Dukes, a greeter in a Wal-Mart store in California, sued in 2001 along with five of her co-workers. The plaintiffs charged the company with gender discrimination, specifically paying women less and offering them fewer opportunities for promotion.

If the U.S. Supreme Court allows the suit to proceed, thousands of individuals who may not otherwise been able to afford legal fees will be able to seek redress. This decade-old case has never gone to trial. LAF is watching this case closely and looking for opportunities to support the plaintiffs.  
- Marsha Weppelman

## Save the Date for LAF...Make your Reservation Today!

Relive music's golden 60's era, an empowering time in history for energetic women. Please join us for a journey through the sounds and electricity of the times. The performance will be followed by a discussion with director, cast members and production crew.

Carpools from Trinity at 12:15 PM, Optional Happy Hour: C.J. Mugg's.

### *Beehive: The 60's Musical*

**Wednesday, April 6 Performance Time 1:30 PM**

**Cost: \$50.00 (includes \$22.00 as a 2011 Tax-Deductible Contribution to LAF)**

Make your check payable to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield

**Already own a Season Ticket?** You may exchange it at the Rep Box Office and join your friends on this journey. Please make a separate \$22.00 tax-deductible donation to AAUW Funds – write LAF on the memo line.

Mail checks to Barbara Butchart, 107 Shaelah Ct., Weldon Spring, MO 63304 Questions? Contact Barb (636-926-7704, bbutchart@charter.net)

**GOOD NEWS!!** A settlement has been reached in a class action Title IX lawsuit filed against Delaware State University (DSU) by members of its women's equestrian team. LAF donated \$11,000 to pay for an expert witness. The settlement assures long-term gender equity in athletics at DSU.

## CONTACT AAUW

**AAUW HELPLINE: 800-326-AAUW (2289)**  
(10:00 AM to 5:00 PM EST)

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**TDD: 202-785-7777**

**E-mail: [connect@aauw.org](mailto:connect@aauw.org) or visit the AAUW Member Center**

## THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKS OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2011-2012

The search is on! The branch year draws to a close at the end of June, and the 2-year terms of Co-President, Co-Vice President for Membership, Co-Vice President for Programs, and Treasurer will expire. New officers will assume their responsibilities on July 1, 2011. Our staggered terms allow a new officer to serve her first year with the experienced officer.

Please help us find the *capable, dedicated and enthusiastic members* who will provide the leadership that makes our branch one of the most outstanding in the nation. Call or e-mail **Mersine Kallaos, Yvonne Morrison or Ann Jaques** and give them your recommendation(s) by December 11. You may nominate several members, including yourself. You may mail the form below to Mersine or just use it as a guide for an e-mail.

## NOMINATION FORM -The Nominating Committee will consider all persons suggested.

Office \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Years a member of branch \_\_\_\_ of AAUW \_\_\_\_

Other leadership positions held \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership Qualities: \_\_\_\_\_



# DOLLAR\$ FOR \$SCHOLAR\$

*The proceeds from Dollars for Scholars activities go entirely to the Educational Opportunities Fund (formerly Educational Foundation) and to our local scholarships. Our goals are to raise money for scholarships, to give members opportunities to work together in small group, to provide enriching and educational experiences, and to introduce AAUW to non-members. If you have an idea for an activity, please contact Judy Green (314-878-4897) or Barb Tackitt (636-343-0657, [harvibarb@charter.net](mailto:harvibarb@charter.net)).*

**MAKE ALL DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS CHECKS PAYABLE TO AAUW BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD**

**PLEASE REMEMBER - TAKE PICTURES AT YOUR EVENT!**

## **DONALD DANFORTH PLANT SCIENCE CENTER FRIDAY, DEC. 3, 10:00 AM - 975 N. Warson Rd, Creve Coeur (Carpool 9:30 AM) COST \$10.00**

What are tiny, slimy and, most likely, tomorrow's "Save the World" Superstars? Join this lively tour and hear the answer to that question, and much more. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

Scientists at this premier facility are advancing science to serve human health and well-being. Learn how the Danforth Center partners with St. Louis CC in a lab tech program for non-traditional students. See the innovative use of space, illustrating Gyo Obata's philosophy "to provide spaces which are not only functional, but also enhance the quality of life for those who work and live in them."

Lunch afterwards at Granite City Food and Brewery 1141 Olive Blvd., Creve Coeur, (West Oaks Shopping Center) - not included in cost. Questions? Contact Gloria Campion, 314-822-7451, [gccampion@yahoo.com](mailto:gccampion@yahoo.com) or Bette Bude, 314-878-7642, [dabbl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dabbl@sbcglobal.net).

**DIRECTIONS:** Carpool from Trinity Lutheran Church lower parking lot. To drive yourself, take Olive east to Warson. Enter on Warson, north of the Church.

## **HOME LANDS: HOW WOMEN MADE THE WEST - Friday, Jan. 14, 2011 - 5700 Lindell Boulevard, Forest Park 10:00 AM - MISSOURI HISTORY MUSEUM COST: \$15.00**

From ancient pueblos to modern suburbs, women have shaped the Western landscape through choices about how to sustain home, family and community.

The special tour of this excellent exhibit will feature a theatrical performance, "Paddle Wheels and Pantalettes," as well as a docent-led tour of the exhibit. Afterwards, we will lunch at the new Museum restaurant, Bixby's, featuring a delicious seasonal menu (cost not included). Carpool from Trinity at 9:30.

Sign up at a branch meeting or contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575) or Jayne Kasten (314-991-5334).

**DIRECTIONS:** Take Highway 40/I64 east to the Hampton/Forest Park exit. Turn north into the park and follow signs to the History Museum.

### **FIND AAUW ON THE INTERNET**

AAUW National website: <http://www.aauw.org>

AAUW-MO website: <http://www.aauwmo.org>

Metropolitan St. Louis Interbranch Council website:

[AAUWStLouisIBC.com](http://AAUWStLouisIBC.com)

Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch website:

<http://www.aauwballwin-chesterfield.org>

Search AAUW on [Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com)

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# SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

**ABOUT OUR INTEREST GROUPS.....** Interest groups are just that: they are primarily social in nature and bring members who have a similar interest together to enjoy an activity. Some groups, such as bridge, must limit their numbers, but others are open and people come as often as they can. Try one! Contact a sponsor today. Linda Tinker (636-273-5605, [richborough2342@att.net](mailto:richborough2342@att.net)) coordinates all interest groups and can help you with information you need.

## **BRIDGE GROUPS**

*Any Ballwin-Chesterfield branch member who is interested in playing bridge as a permanent member or as a substitute in one of the groups may contact Linda Tinker (636-273-5605, [richborough2342@att.net](mailto:richborough2342@att.net)).*

### **BASIC BRIDGE AND BEYOND (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, 9:30 AM) Hearth Room**

**Dec. 16:** Call Ann Jaques (314-434-3439)

### **BRIDGE I (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays)**

**Dec. 1:** Call Bev Schulze (636-225-9431)

### **BRIDGE II (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 11:00 AM) Wildhorse Grill**

**Dec. 21:** Call Jane Miller (314-434-8173)

### **BRIDGE III (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 10:00 AM) Note change to 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in Dec. - Hearth Room**

**Dec. 15:** Call Marilyn Morton (314-965-3027)

### **BRIDGE IV (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays, 9:30 AM) Please call the hostess to let her know if you are coming.**

**Dec. 7:** Call Jill Norton (636-530-0962)

### **BRIDGE V (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, 9:30 AM) Please call the hostess to let her know if you are coming.**

**Dec. 14:** Call Sheila Kalman (314-997-6192)

### **BRIDGE VI (3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, 10:00 AM) Hearth Room**

**Dec. 20:** Call Lorraine Cline (636-458-3148)

### **DUPLICATE BRIDGE I (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays, 10:00 AM)**

**Dec. 8:** Call Carol Thomas (636-273-4822)

### **DUPLICATE BRIDGE II (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 10:00 AM) Hearth Rm. No game scheduled for December.**

## **EXPRESSIONS – Tues. , Dec. 7 - 1:00 - 3:00 PM BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: HOLIDAY OR SEASONAL LUMINARIES - Rockwood Bank, Rt. 109**

Come and create a beautiful glass block luminary. It makes a lovely decoration for any place in your home, as well as a great hostess gift. You may purchase your glass block and lights at Hobby Lobby. They are called Kraft Blocks, and the miniature lights you need are next to them on the shelf.

### **SUPPLIES TO BRING:**

Glass Block and miniature lights. Be sure to clean the sticky label off the block. Soak overnight in warm water or use Goo Gone to remove the sticky substance on the block. Dry thoroughly.

Scissors,

1-2 yards or 1 small bolt of wide 3 inch ribbon,

bows for decoration on luminary

seasonal picks, flowers etc., to enhance your luminary.

You may also use themes other than holiday/seasonal such as butterflies, grapes, summer flowers, etc.

Please call Rosann Swaringim (636-240-7839) if you have a question or to sign up. Come and have a good time and share your creativity with others!

**DIRECTIONS:** Drive west on Manchester from the Clarkson/Manchester intersection and exit at Rt. 109. Turn left (south) and cross over Manchester, continuing to Rockwood Bank on your left.

### ***Diversity Statement***

***In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.***

# Special Interest Groups (Continued)

## MOVIE GROUP (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday - 10:00 AM)

Please note that for the month of December, we will meet on the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday

Nov. 29: Monday - 11:00AM - Bravo Restaurant - West County Center

We will discuss the following movies: *Red, Conviction, Fair Game, You Will Meet a Tall Dark Stranger, and Inside Job*. RSVP required to reserve our luncheon table.

## Dec. 30: (5<sup>th</sup> Thursday) - 10:00 AM

We will meet at the home of Erlaine Eltomi 15643 Summer Lake Dr., 63017 (636-537-2736)

**DIRECTIONS:** From Hwy. 40 go left on Clarkson Rd. to Baxter and turn left on Baxter Rd and go 0.4 miles. Turn left on Summer Lake Dr. and go 0.1 mile to Erlaine's home on the left.

For more information about this group, contact Mersine Kallaos (314-822-2567, mkallaos@prodigy.net).

## PLAY READERS GROUPS

### PLAY READERS (3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, 12:45 PM)

Dec. 20 - 15791 Carriage Hill, 63017 (Yvonne Morrison's home, 636-391-6026)

**DIRECTIONS:** From Clayton and Kehrs Mill, go north on Kehrs Mill to first light (see school on right). Turn left on Sportsmen Hill, go to 2nd street and turn right on Carriage Hill Dr. Drive to the end of the cul-de-sac (house is on the right) 15791 Carriage Hill.

### PLAY READERS, TOO! (1<sup>st</sup> Fridays - 1:00 PM)

December 3 - 11443 Daykin Dr., 63146 (Jayne Kasten's home, 314-991-5334)

**DIRECTIONS:** From Hwy 40 and Hwy 270 go north on Hwy 270 2.5 miles and take Exit 14 (east) onto Olive Blvd. Go 0.9 miles and turn left on Craig Rd. Go 0.5 miles and turn right on Daykin Dr. Go 0.2 miles and arrive at Jayne's home on the left

**MAH JONGG - Every Monday - Dec., 6, 13, 20, & 27, 11:00 AM - 3 PM - Hometown Buffet, 1282 Old Orchard Center, 63021. Please call Jan Pritchard (636-225-6274) as RSVP is essential!**

All mah jongg players are most welcome to join in! If you have a mah jongg game, please do bring it. Your RSVP allows the hostess to prepare for all players.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Hwy 141 and Manchester go East on Manchester 0.7 miles and turn right at Braeshire Dr. to restaurant on the right.

## "OUT-TO-LUNCH" GROUP - 3rd Wednesdays

### A SPECIAL HOLIDAY OUTING

Dec. 15 - 11:30 AM, Table Three, 16765 Main Street, Wildwood Town Center - Cost: \$25.00, including tax and gratuity

Reservations only by check made out to Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520). Deadline for reservation and luncheon choice is Friday, Dec. 10. You may pay at the December Branch meeting or by mail to Harriett at 18228 Buckboard Rd., Wildwood 63069.

### Luncheon choices are

Broccoli-Cheddar Quiche with House Salad  
Cobb Salad - (mixed greens, grilled chicken, tomato, blue cheese crumbles, avocado, home made croutons, and ranch dressing)

Chicken Salad Croissant with House Salad

All lunches include coffee, tea, or water and a Chocolate Charlotte for dessert.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Interstate 40/64 head west and get off at the Clarkson/Olive exit. Turn left on Clarkson to Manchester (HWY 100). Turn right and continue, turning left at the 5th light into Wildwood Towne Center. Turn right at Main St. The restaurant will be on the right. There is parking on Main street and in the back of the restaurant.

For those who wish to carpool, meet at the K-Mart parking lot at the corner of Clarkson and Manchester at 11:00 AM.

**GOLF - End-of-Season Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Monday, December 13 - 12143 Swan Lake Dr., 63146 (Carolyn Baker's home, 314-432-2576). Please call Carolyn by December 1 to RSVP.**

Please bring 1 cup of your favorite salad ingredient to add to lettuce.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Rt. 270 & Olive, go East 1 block to the 1<sup>st</sup> light, and turn left on Rue De La Banque Dr. (This road curves to the left behind a strip mall.) Turn right on Orchard Lakes Dr. Go about 1 mile, and turn right on Swan Lake. It is the 2<sup>nd</sup> house on the left.

From the East, go west on Olive to just before Rt. 270 and turn right on Orchard Lakes Dr., then follow the directions above.

# Special Interest Groups (Continued)

## BOOK GROUPS

Download the 2010-2011 book lists from [aauwballwin-chesterfield.org](http://aauwballwin-chesterfield.org), "Interest Groups" page or contact the individual sponsors. Need help? Call 314-878-4521.

### **LITERATURE I (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays – 9:30 AM) Dec. 16 – 1613 Baxter Lane Circle, 63017 (Mary McFarland's home, 636-530-0483).**

A discussion of *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery will be led by Mary McFarland.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Clayton and Baxter or from Clarkson and Baxter -- take Baxter to Old Baxter Rd; turn left onto Old Baxter Rd, if you are coming from Clarkson, or right onto Old Baxter Rd, if coming from Clayton Rd. Follow Old Baxter Rd to Baxter Lane and turn right. Go to the end of the lane and turn right. Continue to the third house from the corner.

*This group is closed due to the large number of members. For information, call Alice Crippen (636-227-4284, [jccripp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jccripp@sbcglobal.net))*

### **LITERATURE II (4<sup>th</sup> Mondays - 10:00 AM) Dec. 27 – 1550 Sheppard Rd., 63038 (Diane Correll's home, 636-458-6316) Please RSVP to Diane.**

A discussion of *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery will be led by Joyce Katz.

**DIRECTIONS:** Take Olive/Clarkson to Kehr's Mill. Turn right onto Kehr's Mill. Go to Strecker Rd. (a little over a mile, just before the Goddard School). Turn left and continue 1.5 miles to the third house past the mansion on the left with the white picket fence with a circle driveway. If you see Shepard Ridge Rd., you passed the house.

*We welcome all readers! For information, contact Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, [joyka234@aol.com](mailto:joyka234@aol.com)) or Erlaine Eltomi (636-537-2736, [erlaine@charter.net](mailto:erlaine@charter.net)).*

### **READING REALITY (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays – 1:30 PM) Dec. 14. #10 Woods Hill Dr., Town and Country, 63017 (Jane Miller's home, 314-434-8173) PLEASE RSVP TO THE HOSTESS**

A discussion of *One Drop: My Father's Hidden Life*, by Bliss Broyard, will be led by Mary Jermak.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Highway 64/40, take the Mason Exit. Take Mason South to Masonridge. Make a right on Masonridge. Make a right on Clayton Rd going West. Woods Hill will be the first left off Clayton.

*To learn more about this non-fiction book group, contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575, [mhblock@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mhblock@sbcglobal.net)).*

### **BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB (BBC) - 1<sup>st</sup> Monday – 10:00 AM, Dec. 6: 15791 Carriage Hill Ct., 63017 (Yvonne Morrison's home, 636-391-6026)**

*Moon River and Me* by Andy Williams. Reviewer: Rose Bingamon.

**DIRECTIONS:** See Play Readers.

**Book for January 3 - *Woman of the House: The Rise of Nancy Pelosi* by Vincent Bzdek**

This group reads and discusses biographies, autobiographies, and memoirs of men or women, dead or alive and is open to all members. Call Yvonne Morrison (636-391-6026) or Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520) for more information.

### **POETRY GROUP (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays - 9:30 AM) NO MEETING IN DECEMBER**

**Jan. 19: We will resume meeting at the home of Marcia Block.**

*All you need to join this group is a love of poetry and the desire to have a good time with friends. Contact Sandy Camillo (314-576-5687, [sandycamillo@gmail.com](mailto:sandycamillo@gmail.com)) for more information.*

### **SATURDAY NIGHT SINGLES – Sat. Dec.11 - St. Louis Civic Orchestra Holiday Concert – 8 PM, Logan College's William Purser Center, 1851 Schoettler Rd., 63017**

Featured Euphonium soloist; excerpts from Handel's Messiah (*And the Glory of the Lord, For Unto Us a Child is Born*, and the *Hallelujah Chorus*) and popular favorites. Individual ticket prices are \$10.00 for adults; \$5.00 for seniors and a group of 10 or more is \$5.00.

We are planning to have dinner before the concert at Napoli in the Town and Country Center at Clayton Rd. and Rt. 141. Organized by Kay Kreder and Jean Wagner

**DIRECTIONS:** From Trinity Lutheran, go west on Clayton Rd. to Schoettler Rd. (3<sup>rd</sup> stoplight). Turn right, continue to Logan campus on left.

**December 31 - New Years Eve – SURPRISES!** *Courtesy of Donna Ross*

Mary Jermak  
 15231 Brightfield Manor Dr.  
 Chesterfield, MO 63017



## DECEMBER, 2010

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