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AAUW Advances Equity for Women and Girls Through Advocacy,
Education, Philanthropy, and Research

NOVEMBER BRANCH MEETING

Thursday, November 10, 8:45 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Chesterfield
14088 Clayton Road at Woods Mill Road

Tracy E. Hart

President of Tarlton Corporation

(daughter of charter member D'Arcy Elsperman)

“An Inside Look at a Non-Traditional President”

Tracy Hart is the first woman president of a major general contracting company in St. Louis, and one of few nationally. CEO Hart's company values its employees and treats them as partners, invests in their health and well-being, and demonstrates appreciation for employee contributions.

In 2008, she was the first woman elected chair of the Associated General Contractors of St. Louis and is a national Life Director.

She is a mother, is active in community service and serves on numerous boards, and has received multiple awards as a successful area business leader.

8:45 a.m. Registration, Sign-ups

9:30 a.m. Business Meeting

10:30 a.m. Speaker

11:30 a.m. Adjournment

HOSPITALITY

Coordinating Hostess: Becky Ragan

Hostesses: Joanne Barnes, Alice Crippen,
D'Arcy Elsperman, Susan Fenwick, Becky Kaley,
Linda Pallmann, Jan Pritchard, Elaine Williams, Doris Yohe

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Stem Update

Until recently, few of us knew what STEM stands for. Today we see it everywhere. The 2010 AAUW publication “*Why So Few?: Women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics*” came at a time when the entire nation seemed to be taking an interest in STEM in general and women and girls in STEM in particular.

In recognition of AAUW's contributions to research and grassroots advocacy in STEM careers, Executive Director Linda Hallman and President Carolyn Garfein were recently invited to attend the White House announcement of the National Science Foundation's 10-year plan to increase workplace flexibility in the STEM fields.

Here is what our branch is doing to encourage and support girls and women in these fields that offer solid careers while being important to our welfare as a nation. For several years we have recognized outstanding Science Fair projects with monetary awards. In May, we awarded a total of \$400 to five high school girls representing Maplewood-Richmond Heights, St. Joseph's Academy, and Parkway West.

We also offer scholarships making it possible for a number of girls to attend Expanding Your Horizons. Hundreds of area middle-school girls spend a half-day participating in hands-on workshops such as “Colors and Chemistry” or “Polymers are Marvelous Molecules” and listening to women panelists discuss their careers. Several of our members assist with the day. The next workshop will be March 12 at Florissant Valley Community College.

Most of you have heard about our video and tool kit explaining the “Why So Few?” findings. We have disseminated this information to a number of schools and continue to publicize the information. It has also been used in education classes in local colleges. We have even had requests for the tool kit from as far away as Pennsylvania and California.

Many of us, and our daughters, remember Girl Scouts fondly. Today, Girl Scouts is much more than camping and cookies. We have recently been invited to volunteer in a workshop to promote girls' interests in STEM careers. Members would lead activities in a STEM club meeting twice a month at Normandy Middle School and perhaps assist in field trips. If you are interested, contact Marcia or Marian.

~ Marcia and Marian

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BOARD MEETING – Thursday, November 3, 9:30 a.m.
at Trinity Lutheran Church. All board members should attend. Please contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575, mhblock@sbcglobal.net) if you are unable to be there.

AAUW, IBC & BRANCH NEWS

AAUW BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD BOARD

ELECTED OFFICERS

Presidents: Marcia Block & Marian Bauer

Vice Presidents-Program: Erlaine Eltomi & Susan Teicher

Vice Presidents-Membership: Joan Lunt & Barb Schillhahn

Secretary: Judy Stagoski Treasurer: Leslie Wier

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Bylaws/ Parliamentarian: Doris Nistler

Care Notes: Mersine Kallaos

Directory: Rosemary Manley & Mary Lou Wilson

Dollars for Scholars: Judy Green & Barbara Tackitt

Educational Opportunities: Jan Horner & Mary Kay Wolfe

Fall Brunch: Phyllis Oakes & Fran Reiland

Historian: Carol Derington

Winter Auction: Harriett Hirschfeld & Pat Shores

Hospitality: Diane Correll & Carol LeBegue

IBC: Yvonne Morrison

International Relations: Karen Francis

Legal Advocacy Fund: Ruth Griffin & Barbara Butchart

Newsletter Editors: Mary Jermak & Bette Bude

Public Policy: Sandy Camillo & Teri Miller

Publicity: Pat Shores Recognition: Julia Triplett

Spring Luncheon: Gloria Campion, Jane Miller & Diane Siegel

STEM Projects: Sandra Murdock

Summer Picnic: Jane Clendenin & Marilyn Fletcher

Technology: Joyce Katz

BOARD ASSISTANTS

Advisor: Bette Bude

Dollars for Scholars Financial Aide: Susan Haynes

Interest Groups Coordinators: Becky Kruse and Pam Valentine

For membership information, call Membership V-P's Joan Lunt (636-527-7488) or Barb Schillhahn (636-549-3219).

The Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch Newsletter is published monthly except June and August and e-mailed or mailed to members. Please e-mail or phone articles to Newsletter Editors. The deadline for articles for the December newsletter is November 10 (the second Thursday).

Meeting agendas and the branch e-mail list are reserved for AAUW & branch business only!

HIGH TEA APRIL 13, 2012 - MARK YOUR CALENDAR - COMMITTEE FORMING

The theme for the 2012 High Tea is *Decades*. Any member interested in helping with the Tea or hosting a table is most welcome to attend a meeting on November 30 at Barb Schillhahn's home at 10 a.m.

Please R.S.V.P. to Barb (schillhahn@charter.net) or 636-549-3219, even if you can't attend, but still want to help.

AAUW IBC DOWNTOWN LUNCH 3rd Tuesdays, 11:45 a.m.

November 15: Bixby's, Missouri History Museum in Forest Park, St. Louis.

For reservations, contact Jean Shull (314-822-7821, jshull2@mindspring.com).

ADELANTE IBC Book-of-the-Month Club

4th Thursdays, 1:30 p.m. No meetings in November and December. Questions? Contact Julie Triplett (314-630-9429).

Remembering Patricia "Pat" Mueller

December 8, 1930 – October 14, 2011

Pat joined AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield in 1994 and was a Named Gift Honoree in 2004. Pat loved literature and the arts. She belonged to several interest groups and enjoyed numerous Dollars for Scholars events. Pat, an educator, grew up in Perry County, MO. She often hosted AAUW groups in her beautiful historic home near Tower Grove Park. Pat is survived by one daughter, Laurie, Laurie's husband, and twin grandchildren.

Pat was a friend to many, and her delightful sense of humor and fascinating anecdotes will be missed.

FALL BRUNCH REPORT

The start of our 2010-11 year had a rousing welcome with the Fall Brunch on September 8. The theme, "bloom and grow", was chosen to focus our attention on encouraging attendance and inviting guests to meetings throughout the upcoming year. We had 136 members and 15 guests in attendance.

Once again, a lovely brunch was provided by As You Like It Catering. Leftovers were given by our caterer, Joan Buschmann, to a senior citizen center. Our "blooming" mum centerpieces were sold at the brunch, which helped to defray some of the costs.

Many thanks to our board members who helped to fund the brunch and heartfelt thanks to our committee of 20 hard-working ladies whose efforts made the occasion a great success.

~ Phyllis Oakes & Fran Reiland, Fall Brunch

BYLAWS

The Bylaws Committee has recommended and the Board approved the motion for the following policy change:

Policy Article XIV, Section 2 c Branch Honoree Committee "A branch honoree committee should be established each year, presided over by the immediate past president. The committee should consist of up to seven members, including the immediate past president, and members appointed by the co-presidents. Members should not serve for more than two consecutive years."

This motion will be voted upon by members at the November branch meeting.

~ Doris Nistler, Bylaws

AAUW 2010-2011 BRANCH DIRECTORY

Your new directory is ready for you to pick up. If you cannot attend the meeting, please arrange for a friend to pick up your directory for you as they will not be mailed. An extra insert is available for \$3 and a new binder is \$8. New members receive the binder and directory insert at no cost.

If you notice an error, please let us know and corrections will be made in the December supplement. The deadline for any changes/corrections is November 10. If you are a new member, please make sure you have your picture taken at a branch meeting or send one to Joyce Katz by email or by mail. We will return your picture to you.

~ Rosemary Manley & Mary Lou Wilson, Directory

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Value Promise

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

AAUW NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Whether you are a long-time member or a newer member of AAUW, a visit to AAUW Experience at <http://www.aauw.org/about/aauwExperience/fusion/index.html> provides an excellent opportunity to get acquainted or reacquainted with all that AAUW is doing to break through barriers for women and girls across the country. The AAUW Experience provides an engaging overview of AAUW from its proud history to compelling current day efforts to address equity issues.

Originating after the 2008 national convention in St. Louis, the virtual tour is inspiring, informative, and engaging. Explore the buildings around the town square: the Community Center, the Town Hall, the Courthouse, the Library, the Office Building, and the Student Lounge. Click on the teal dots in each building to view short videos and information about the diverse resources available through AAUW. Take the entire tour or visit one building at a time to view AAUW accomplishments and ongoing projects.

The AAUW Experience is an excellent way to introduce your friends to the value and importance of membership in AAUW.

~ Mary Jermak, AAUW National Membership Committee

PUBLIC POLICY- Social Security: Providing Economic Security for Women

Social Security provides benefits to women in numerous ways. AAUW considers vital its long-term solvency and guaranteed current benefits for women's economic security.

According to data from the *U.S Census Bureau Current Population Survey*, March 2009, without Social Security, nearly one in two seniors over the age of sixty-five, (45.2%) would be poor; with Social Security, just one in twelve is poor, (9.7%). This data is particularly relevant to women as they are more likely than men to suffer financial insecurity in their later years for many reasons.

AAUW research shows that women who work full time earn about 77 cents for every dollar men earn. In addition, they only earn about 75 percent of men's earnings from the time they are 45 to the time they are 64. Also, many women do not spend as much time in the work force as men.

The bottom line is that women can't save money they haven't earned. Continuing pay inequity results in women having fewer savings and lower (if any) pension benefits, leaving them on an unequal footing in retirement. Social Security provides stability and some safety in women's economic lives.

AAUW urges its members to let their elected representatives know that Social Security benefits cannot be cut. Go to www.usa.gov for contact information.

~ Sandy Camillo & Teri Miller, Public Policy



GETTING TO KNOW YOU A Sincere Welcome to ALL Our New Members

Donna Parrone: 3448 Manhattan Avenue, St.Louis, 63143

Phone: 314-781-5522 Cell: 314-809-0442

E-mail: donna.parrone@edwardjones.com

Donna has a bachelor of science degree in education from Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville. She is currently employed by Edward Jones as a Financial Advisor. In her free time she enjoys knitting, reading, and photography.

Donna, welcome to our branch.

Carol Rafsky: 514 Coeur De Royale Dr. # 404, St. Louis, 63141

Phone: 314-395-8088

E-mail: coolmom1951@yahoo.com

Carol graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor's degree in Education and from the University of North Colorado with a Masters degree in teaching the visually impaired.

Carol is now retired from the Missouri School for the Blind, where she taught English to students in grades seven through 12. She keeps busy swimming, playing Mah Jongg, reading, going out to lunch, and editing her condo newsletter.

Welcome Carol, to our branch.

Dorothy Soskin: 13066 Weatherfield Dr., St. Louis, 63146

Phone: 314-514-0565

E-mail: d1manners@charter.net

Dorothy, a dual member with the Creve Coeur branch, is a graduate of Maryville University. She has a bachelor's degree in sociology. Dorothy is self-employed as an Etiquette Consultant. Her interests include playing the piano, reading, and traveling.

We welcome you, Dorothy, to our branch.

GREAT DECISIONS

As part of branch Public Policy activities, we will again have the *Great Decisions* study group in 2012. There will be an organizational meeting after the branch meeting on November 10 for anyone interested in participating. *Great Decisions* studies the year's current events by reading and discussing relevant topics authored by non-partisan experts in their respective fields. Group meetings will be in January through May on dates and times chosen by the group at the organizational meeting. Please let Sandy Camillo (sandycamillo@gmail.com) know if you are interested in participating in *Great Decisions*.

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.

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COME TOGETHER FOR CANASTA

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sponsored by EOF and LAF Cost: \$30

Carpool departs 9:30 a.m. from Lowe's Chesterfield Commons, Rt. 40 @ Boone's Crossing – NW corner of lot.

Remember when you played (or wanted to play) the fashionable game of Canasta? Now is your chance to learn, relearn, or polish your Canasta skills. On Tuesday, November 29, we will *Come Together for Canasta* at Whitmoor Country Club.

Each table of four players will have an experienced player to instruct and facilitate or, if you already know the game, you can play cards with your own foursome. Either way, you choose the players at your table – bring your friends! The cost is \$30 (check payable to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield) and includes a wonderful Whitmoor lunch with choice from 3 lunch entrees. Lunch at noon, and then resume play until 2 p.m. In addition to fun, friends, cards and lunch, small door prizes will be given. Proceeds will benefit EOF (national and local scholarships) and LAF.

Sign up at branch meetings. Have fun and support both EOF and LAF. Questions? Contact Mary Kay Wolfe (636-928-9905, mkwolfe@hotmail.com) or Barb Butchart (636-926-7704, bbutchart@att.net).

DIRECTIONS: Take Rt. 40/64 West, to exit 11 (first exit after bridge), Research Park Circle. Stay right onto Technology East (becomes Wolfrum Rd.). Drive 3 miles to Whitmoor Subdivision and turn right on Whitmoor Dr. Drive ½ mile to Whitmoor CC on the left.

DONATE YOUR USED BOOKS!

Last year's Used Book Sale was a big success and lots of fun. So...let's do it again! The 2nd Annual Used Book Sale (all proceeds to Dollars for Scholars) will be at February's branch meeting. To be successful, we need lots of interesting, gently used books with appeal to our members. Books will be collected at all branch and board meetings through January. For other arrangements, contact Mary Kay Wolfe (636-928-9905, mkwolfe@hotmail.com) or Jan Horner (314-275-7053, jhorner@janhorner.com). Many thanks!

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS January thru April

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

The 2012 season will begin on Tuesday, January 12 at 10:45 a.m. with a presentation on Cyber Space. The other topics include these: Arab Spring-contributing factors and possible outcomes; Privatization of Space; and European Immigration-changing Demographics--the societal/political issues involved.

The lectures are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:45 a.m. at the Ethical Society, 90001 Clayton Rd. They are free and open to the public. Mark your calendars and we hope to see you at the lecture series.

~ Karen Francis, International Relations

SAVE-THE-DATE LAF TRIVIA NIGHT

MARCH 31, 2012

LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND

AAUW's Newest Research Report

Beginning in 1991 with the first AAUW research report, *Shortchanging Girls Shortchanging America*, AAUW research reports, financed by the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, have had an impact on members and the general public. AAUW's newest research report *Crossing the Line: Sexual Harassment in Schools* will be released in mid-November 2011. The last report covering this vital material was in 2001.

Nearly 2,000 students in grades 7-12 were surveyed about the prevalence of sexual harassment and the impact it had on their lives during the 2010-11 school year. Their responses make up the bulk of the report. The students also shared their ideas for how to make schools harassment-free. The report concludes with recommendations for educators, parents, and community members. After we have had a chance to read and discuss the report, we will decide how best to use the information in our continued effort to combat sexual harassment in schools.

~ Ruth Griffin & Barbara Butchart, LAF

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND

November Is Individual Giving Month!

In this 2011-2012 academic year, AAUW provided over \$3.7 million to fund more than 240 fellowships, grants, and special awards to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations. At our November meeting, Tanya Roth, an AAUW fellowship alumna, will address our membership. Tanya received her PhD from Washington University last spring and is now teaching history at Mary Institute Country Day School (MICDS).

Our members and AAUW members across the U.S. make fellowships and grants for women like Tanya possible through generous tax-deductible contributions. We invite each member to support the mission of AAUW by contributing to the EOF Fund during the November Individual Giving Appeal. Individuals who contribute \$100 to AAUW (to EOF or any fund) in a calendar year will be recognized as members of the MO Century Club.

The Board and the EOF Committee suggest you designate your contribution **either** to EOF **or** the Silver Anniversary Fund, #4286. Currently, we have contributed over \$72,000 (of the \$75,000 completion amount) to the Silver Anniversary Fund. By designating your contribution **either** to EOF **or** the Silver Anniversary Fund in the memo line of your check, you will allow us to contribute money to the Branch's grant and channel any excess amount to the general EOF Fund.

We will be accepting contributions at the November meeting, or you can mail them directly to Mary Kay Wolfe, 7 Ironside Ct., St. Charles, 63303.

Please make checks payable to AAUW Funds.

~ Jan Horner & Mary Kay Wolfe, EOF

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AAUW: BREAKING THROUGH BARRIERS ANNUAL WINTER AUCTION

December 8, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (Snow date December 9), \$15 per ticket

Jeanette Rankin, who was the first woman elected to the U.S. House of Representative in 1917 and the first female member of Congress said, "We're half the people--we should be half the Congress." Although a record number of seventy-four women serve in the U.S. Congress today, we are nowhere near the fifty percent that Jeanette hoped for.

At Ballwin-Chesterfield, our annual Winter Auction is held to raise funds to help break down barriers for women and girls. Through the Operating Fund, we send girls to STEM activities, pay the rent to Trinity for membership and Board meetings, give speaker stipends, and keep committee work going along with all the other branch activities. We also support current and potential leaders' attendance at state, regional and national conventions through the Leadership Development Fund. Since this is the only fundraiser for these two funds, we encourage each of our members to participate.

Here are the ways you can help:

BUY A TICKET FOR YOURSELF AND ASK A FRIEND TO BUY ONE, TOO. Purchase your tickets at a branch meeting or send a check and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Carol Thomas, 18208 Ashford Oaks Drive, Glencoe, MO 63038.

BUY OR SELL AT LEAST FIVE RAFFLE TICKETS FOR *SHOW ME ST. LOUIS* AND GET IN THE BONUS DRAWING. Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Check your upcoming e-mailed or postal mailed directions for details of the Raffle. Send your Raffle money to Pat Shores, 938 Stone Spring Drive, Eureka, MO 63025.

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 a.m., be ready to give the runner a suggested value to expedite pricing and getting the pieces to a table. Items for the Silent Auction will be displayed on separate tables. Baked goods will be on one table, single items will be on a second table, multiple piece items 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 item you liked during the hectic bidding time.

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. *Let Pat Shores know what your Oral Auction item will be by NOVEMBER 1.* We want to print the Oral Auction list in the December newsletter so you can have time to decide what to go for by yourself or with a group. Contact Pat for Oral Auction ideas, and try to keep basket values close to what might be bid for them.

BUY SOME 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.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND OR TO SEND AN AUCTION ITEM, MAKE A CASH DONATION TO THE OPERATING FUND AND/OR THE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FUND. Make your check payable to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield, with Winter Auction in the memo, and send it to Pat Shores (address above).

HELP AAUW BREAK THROUGH BARRIERS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS.

Two Ballwin-Chesterfield members who are helping us break through barriers are Jan Horner who is bringing a pitcher and glass set for the Silent Auction and Pat Shores who is donating a \$700 Oral Auction package of 3 days at a house at the Lake of the Ozarks. Start getting your bidding group together for this unique item today.

Questions or comments, contact Harriett Hirschfeld (636-227-778 or ernest.hirschfeld@att.net) or Pat Shores (636-938-3958 or apatriciashores@att.net).

~ Harriett Hirschfeld & Pat Shores, Winter Auction

SHOPPING AT OFFICE DEPOT BRINGS CASH TO THE BRANCH

Every member purchase at Office Depot credits our branch with cash that is used to publish your newsletter. Just tell the store clerk: "**AAUW Worklife Rewards #123 104 8594**" (ID: Katz, 314-878-4521).

If your purchase is to be used for branch work, it is also tax-deductible. Our tax-deductible number is 393 75 035 (ID: AAUW, Eureka, MO). For a wallet-sized information card, pick one up at a branch meeting at the membership table or contact Joyce Katz (314-878-4521).

CONTACT AAUW

AAUW HELPLINE: 800-326-AAUW (2289)
(10 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST)

Tel: 202-785-7700 (8:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. EST)

Fax: 202-872-1425

TDD: 202-785-7777

E-mail: connect@aauw.org or visit the AAUW Member Center

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS



All the proceeds from Dollars for Scholars activities support women's education. Our goals are to raise money for scholarships, to give members opportunities to work together in small groups, 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).

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

PLEASE REMEMBER - TAKE PICTURES AT YOUR EVENT!

BRIDGE SEMINAR 302: 4 SESSIONS TO IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS, Tuesdays, October 25, November 1, 8, 15, Noon - 2 p.m., 4891 Stanhope Drive, 63128
COST: \$50 (\$40 for seminar, \$10 for Dollars for Scholars)

Do you sometimes think, "I enjoy bridge but wish I knew MORE about bidding, conventions, and what point count/overcalls really mean?" This special Bridge Seminar provides training on four consecutive Tuesdays and is JUST the ticket to help you improve your game as you practice playing or defending a bridge hand successfully, plus you help support our scholarship fund.

Instructor Diane Mardis is a retired St. Louis educator and a MAJOR bridge enthusiast. Diane taught Bridge through community education classes and will provide Bridge success tips to make this an OUTSTANDING experience.

We will celebrate our Bridge success with Happy Hour on November 15 after class!!! Sign up at the October meeting or contact Jayne Kasten (314-991-5334, kastenc@sbcglobal.net).

DIRECTIONS: Carpooling to be arranged. Take 270 to Tesson Ferry Rd. (Rt. 21); turn left (east/south). Go 0.4 mi. and turn left on Mattis Rd. Go 0.9 mi. and turn right on Littlebury Dr. Go 0.1 mi. to a right on Stanhope Dr. Go 0.3 mi. to #4891 on your right, near the end of the street.

QUILT NATIONAL EXHIBIT VISIT, Tuesday, November 1, 10:15 a.m., The Foundry Art Center, 520 Main Street, St. Charles. (Carpool leaves Trinity, 9:30 a.m.)
COST: \$15

The Quilt National is a national competition of multi-media quilts that is held on alternate years. Lunch will follow at 11:30 a.m. at Lewis & Clark's Restaurant on the corner of Main St. and First Capitol Dr., St. Charles. Sign up at the October branch meeting, or contact either Sue Lancaster (636-532-3421, slanca@aol.com) or Rhea Moore (636-537-8717, rheakaymoore@sbcglobal.net).

DIRECTIONS: Take highway 70 across the Missouri River. Exit going north (right) on Fifth St. Go right on Boone's Lick Rd. (by McDonald's), and then left on Riverside Dr. Take Riverside until it dead-ends at Clark St. The Foundry Art Centre is on your right.

DaVINCI MACHINES EXHIBITION, Friday, November 18, 11 a.m., Bank of America Building, BOA Plaza, 800 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63101 (Carpool from Trinity, 10 a.m.) *Park, Stadium West Garage, 8th Street.
COST: \$20

The DaVinci Machines Exhibition, an interactive and educational exhibit for inquiring minds of all ages, has four categories of machines that showcase some of DaVinci's best work in the areas of military, flight, hydraulics, and mechanics. In addition to the guided group tour, you may choose to view a 50 minute educational video about DaVinci's life and machines.

Join us for lunch after the tour (approximately 12:30 p.m.) at Mike Shannon's Steak and Seafood, 620 Market St., 6310 (cost not included). Questions? Contact Darlene Harris (314-477-5429, darhar214@aol.com).

DIRECTIONS: From Trinity, go left on Clayton Rd. and left onto Hwy. 141 N. Go east onto Rt. 64/40. Exit left onto 7th Street. Turn right at stop sign. * In 1 block, turn right onto 8th St. Stadium West Parking is on left on 8th St. before Market St. (Get a \$2.00 off coupon from exhibit)

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS (continued)

“CIVIL WAR IN ST. LOUIS,” Saturday, Nov. 19, 1 – 4 p.m., Bellefontaine Cemetery, 4947 West Florissant Ave., 63115 Carpools from Trinity: 11 a.m. or 12:30 p.m. COST \$30

Join us for a two-part trip back to the Civil War with a tour of historic Bellefontaine Cemetery followed by a one-hour play, “Friction,” focusing on the lives of the St. Louis Campbell family and their slaves during that era. The docent-led bus tour will take us to the graves of numerous St. Louis people where we will hear their stories and connections to the war. A \$3 booklet of all the gravesites on the tour is available to purchase. Contact Susan Haynes (636-825-9474, suzn44@sbcglobal.net) to reserve your place.

Carpool 1 (lunching at Maggiano’s) 10:30 a.m.: Take Rt. 40 east to Brentwood Blvd. Turn left onto Brentwood and continue north 0.5 mi. to Darst Ct; turn right. Drive straight into the parking garage. From the garage, Maggiano’s is at the far end of the block.

Carpool 2 (direct to Bellefontaine) 12:30 p.m. Take Rt. 40/64 east and exit on Rt. 270 North. Continue for 8 mi. to Exit 20 (Rt. 70) East towards St. Louis. Continue for 12 mi. to Exit 244A towards Union Blvd/Kingshighway. Turn left onto N. Kingshighway Blvd, and continue 0.7 mi to W. Florissant Ave. Turn right onto W. Florissant and go 500 ft. to cemetery entrance on the right. Park just inside.

CUISINE ON CLAYTON, Monday, November 21, Carpool leaves Trinity at 9:45 a.m.

Limit: 20 participants

COST: \$10

Spend a terrific taste-tempting day starting with a presentation by gifted chocolatier Rick Jordan at his jewel box shop, *Chocolatier*, 14882 Clayton Rd. Savor a gem. See how he changes cocoa into creations. Enjoy a cheese sampling and tutorial emphasizing great holiday choices at the *Wine and Cheese Place*, 14748 Clayton Rd.

Lunch is arranged (at your cost) at *Six North Café*; then, it’s on to St. Louis’ #1 frozen yogurt shop at *Lancia’s*. You must try the popping boba! We will spend about 45 minutes at each of first two stops which are about a mile west from Trinity, on the left (south) side of Clayton.

Contact Jill Norton (314-757-5969) or Bev Wait (636-532-3002). Send checks made out to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield to Jill at 17601 Lasiandra Drive, Chesterfield, MO, 63005.

HOLIDAY POINT OPEN HOUSE, Wednesday, November 30, 9:30 a.m.

828 Holly Ridge Drive, Ballwin, 63011

COST: \$10

The 11 a.m. session has filled. To join the 11 a.m. waiting list, please contact Evelyn Herman or Mary Martens, listed below.

Please join us for a festive morning viewing Harriet Kettenhofen’s exquisite collection of holiday-themed needlepoint while enjoying light refreshments at her home. Besides displaying a variety of holiday-themed items including Christmas, Hanukkah, Halloween, and the 4th of July, Harriet will explain some distinctive techniques and answer your questions.

Sign up at the November branch meeting or send your check to Barbara Smoltz, 318 Willowick Dr., Ballwin, MO 63011. Questions? Contact Evelyn Herman (636-391-7725) or Mary Martens (636-532-3991).

DIRECTIONS: From Trinity, go west on Clayton Rd., south on Rt. 141, right on Dutchmill Dr., left on Holly Ridge.

MARE ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE Presentation and Tour, Friday, Dec. 16, 10 a.m.

Meet at Covenant Theological Seminary, 1230 Conway Road, 63141

COST: \$12

Gather at the W. Harold Mare Archaeological Institute on the campus of Covenant Theological Seminary to travel back 2 millennia before Abraham and enter the world of the early people of the Near East and the Greco-Roman world.

The Mare Institute houses a small but unique collection of artifacts from the ancient Decapolis city of Abila in Northern Jordan, southeast of the Sea of Galilee. Abila has a rich history of occupation spanning almost 4,000 years. Ruins uncovered there include five Byzantine churches, a Roman bath house and a Bronze Age settlement.

Cheryl Easton, Th.M., will lead a presentation about The Abila Archaeological Project, Inc., a visit to the small Mare Institute, and a short tour (weather permitting) of the surrounding campus of Covenant Theological Seminary.

Afterwards, join us for wassail and light refreshments at a Holiday Cheer Get-Together, 324 Babler Road, (Bette Bude’s home).

Sign up and pay at the November branch meeting if you missed the Dollars sign-up in October, or call one of the sponsors. Guests welcome. Questions? Contact Mary McFarland (636-530-0483, m2007mm@earthlink.net) or Bette Bude (314-878-7642, dabbl@sbcglobal.net) for directions to Bette’s home.

DIRECTIONS: To Covenant from Trinity, take HWY 141 (Woods Mill) north to Conway Road. Turn right (east) onto Conway. Continue to 1230 Conway Road, on the right (south). Park and meet at Founders Hall, the main building. From 270 and 40, go east to Ballas Rd. and exit. Drive north to the stoplight at Conway Rd; turn left (west), pass under 270, and proceed to the Covenant sign on the left.

INTEREST GROUPS

OUR INTEREST GROUPS are primarily social in nature and bring members together who have a similar interest 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. Becky Kruse (636-519-9287) and Pam Valentine (314-434-8387) coordinate all interest groups and can help with the information you need.

EXPRESSIONS 1st Tuesdays, 1 - 3 p.m.

Rockwood Bank, Rt. 109, 63040

November 1: OPERATION WRITE HOME

Have a fun-filled afternoon creating greeting cards for US troops deployed overseas for them to write in and send home to their loved ones. As a bonus...make some cards for yourself to use!! The organization is asking for the following types of cards - Thinking of you, Miss you, Love you, Thank you and blank cards with no sentiment. Bring your own supplies for card making, and donate \$2 for envelopes. Or, bring nothing and supplies will be provided for \$4.

Nance and Becky will share loads of ideas for you to use in designing your cards for this worthy cause. RSVP to Nance (314-391-1365) or Becky (636-519-9287, e-mail kruser6556@yahoo.com).

DIRECTIONS: Take Manchester Rd. west from Clarkson to Hwy 109. Exit, then turn left. Go south on 109 about 1 mile. Rockwood Bank is on left. Turn into drive on south side of bank and park in rear.

PLAY READERS' GROUPS

PLAY READERS 3rd Mondays, 12:45 p.m.

November 21: 14872 Sycamore Manor, 63017 (Becky Kruse's home, 636-519-9287)

DIRECTIONS: From Clayton and Woods Mill go west on Clayton Rd. Turn right at Schoettler Rd. (Henry Rd. is on the left.) Pass Logan College and go over a small bridge. Turn right onto Sycamore Manor Dr. It is the 4th house on the right

PLAY READERS, TOO! 1st Fridays, 12:30 p.m.

November 4: 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 11443 Daykin Drive on the left.

MOVIE GROUP 4th Thursday, 10 a.m.

December 1: Note date change due to holiday

Movie Group will meet for lunch and discussion at a local restaurant. See the next newsletter for details.

For more information about this group, contact Mary Kay Wolfe (636-928-9905 or mkwolfe@hotmail.com).

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 Pam Valentine (314-434-8387) or Becky Kruse (636-519-9287).

Please call the hostess to let her know if you are coming or not.

BASIC BRIDGE AND BEYOND 3rd Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. Hearth Room

November 17: contact Ann Jaques (314-434-3439)

BRIDGE I 1st Wednesdays

November 2: Jan Loudon (636-227-6925)

BRIDGE II 3rd Tuesdays, 11 a.m. Wildhorse Grill

November 15: Nancy Wilhelm (636-519-0391)

BRIDGE III 4th Wednesdays, 10 a.m. Hearth Room

November 23: Jean Wagner (636-227-7658)

BRIDGE IV 1st Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.

Kaldi's at Schnucks Woods Mill

November 1: Teresa Reeves (636-394-7085)

BRIDGE V 2nd Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.

November 8: Diane Correll (636-458-6316)

BRIDGE VI 3rd Mondays, 10 a.m. Hearth Room

November 21: Chris Magilligan (314-878-7283)

DUPLICATE BRIDGE I 2nd Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

November 9: Pat Bishop (636-405-1760)

DUPLICATE BRIDGE II 4th Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m. Hearth Room

November 22: Jan Loudon (636-227-6925)

MAH JONGG Mondays, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

All member-players who really want to play and are above beginner level are welcome! Please contact Jan Pritchard (636-225-6274, janpritchard@att.net) by the Friday before to reserve your spot and receive further information.

SATURDAY NIGHT SINGLES

This is a group of widows, divorcees, and never-marrieds who come together monthly to enjoy each others' company.

We will have at least one spectacular event each month. Past delights have included attending parties, festivals, concerts, game-a-thons, live theatre and, of course, dining out.

Group members will be notified by email with specifics. If you wish to be on our mailing list, contact Donna Ross (636-532-4572, victorianwhodunit@att.net).

INTEREST GROUPS (continued)

GOLF End-of-the-Season Luncheon, Monday, December 5, 617 Aspen Ridge Court, 63017 (Nancy Russell's home, 314-514-8345).

Golfers are notified of play dates via phone or e-mail, so to get on the list and in on the fun, please contact Bev Wait (636-532-3002, wait89@aol.com) or Elaine Frost (314-432-0899, elfrost7@charter.net).

OUT-TO- LUNCH GROUP 3rd Wednesdays

November 16: Ranoush: Middle Eastern Cuisine, 200 N. Kirkwood Rd, Kirkwood, MO - Carpool at 11 a.m. from Trinity Lutheran Church. Sign up at the November branch meeting or contact Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520) for reservations. **DIRECTIONS:** From the church turn right on Clayton Rd. then turn right on Lindberg Blvd. Keep going on Lindberg until it becomes Kirkwood Rd. The restaurant is on the northeast corner of Jefferson and Kirkwood Rd. (just one block before the train station.) Parking is on the street or turn left on Jefferson to public parking lot.

BOOK GROUPS Please RSVP to the Hostess by the Friday before the meeting. Questions? Contact the individual sponsors. To download the 2010-2011 book lists, go to aauwballwin-chesterfield.org, Interest Groups page. For tech help, call 314-878-4521.

LITERATURE I 3rd Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.

November 17: 17706 Drummer Lane, 63005 (Diane Siegel's home, 636-519-0730) A discussion of *Gardens of Water* by Alan Drew will be led by Elaine Frost.

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 40 west to Exit 16 (Long Road). Take Long Road to Wildhorse Creek. Go right on Wildhorse Creek, 0.8 miles. Make a left on Wildhorse Parkway. Go 1.2 miles and make a right on Drummer Lane to the second house on the left. For information, call Alice Crippen (636-227-4284, jccripp@sbcglobal.net) or Carol Winston (314-991-4615, carolwinston@sbcglobal.net).

LITERATURE II 4th Mondays, 10 a.m.

November 28: 1550 Shepard Road, 63038 . (Diane Correll's home, 636-458-6316) A discussion of *Ape House* by Sara Gruen will be led by Barb Schilhahn.

DIRECTIONS: Clayton west to 109, turn right on 109 and at the next stop light (Shepard Road), turn right. Go 1.5 mi. to house at the corner of Shepard Road and Shepard Ridge, the only house with a circle drive. We welcome all readers! For information, contact Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com) or Erlaine Eltomi (636-537-2736, erlaine@charter.net).

READING REALITY 2nd Tuesdays, 1 p.m. November 8: 17706 Drummer Lane, 63005 (Diane Siegel's home, 636-519-0730) A discussion of *Mississippi Solo* by Eddy Harris will be led by Marcia Block.

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 40 west to Exit 16 (Long Road). Take Long Road to Wildhorse Creek. Go right on Wildhorse Creek, 0.8 miles. Make a left on Wildhorse Parkway. Go 1.2 miles and make a right on Drummer Lane to the second house on the left. This group reads non-fiction selections. For more information, contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575, mhblock@sbcglobal.net)

BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB (BBC) 1st Mondays, 10 a.m.

November 7: 18228 Buckboard Road 63069 (Harriett Hirschfeld's home 636-458-1520) A discussion of *Founding Mothers* by Cokie Roberts will be led by Barb Schilhahn. (The October meeting had to be cancelled; November will serve as a replacement for Oct.)

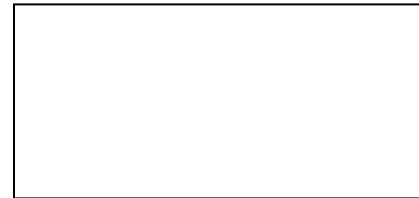
DIRECTIONS: From the Manchester-Clarkson intersection, go west on Manchester (Rt. 100) for 9-10 miles. Past Highway T, turn left on Melrose. Go 0.6 miles to stop sign at Allenton Rd. Turn right and go 0.9 miles to Buckboard Rd. on left (private road). Turn left and follow winding, steep road 0.4 miles to end. We are the last of three houses, 18228. Park in drive. This group reads and discusses biographies, memoirs, and autobiographies 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 3rd Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.

November 16: 764 Briar Fork Road, 63131 (Mersine Kallaos's home, 314-822-2567)

DIRECTIONS: From 141 & Clayton Rd., go east on Clayton Rd.. Turn right on Des Peres Rd. and follow till the road splits. Make a right on the continuation of Des Peres Rd., a right on Beaver Dam (Dougherty Lake Subdivision), and a right on Briar Fork. 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) for more information.

Bette Bude
 324 Babler Rd.
 Town and Country, MO 63141



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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 9:30 a.m. <u>BRIDGE IV</u> 10:15 a.m. <u>QUILT EXHIBIT</u> Noon <u>BRIDGE SEMINAR</u> 1 p.m. <u>EXPRESSIONS</u>	2 <u>BRIDGE I</u>	3 9:30 a.m. <u>BOARD MEETING</u>	4 12:30 p.m. <u>PLAY READERS, TOO!</u>	5
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20	21 9:45 a.m. <u>CUISINE ON CLAYTON</u> 10 a.m. <u>BRIDGE VI</u> 11 a.m. <u>MAH JONGG</u> 12:45 p.m. <u>PLAY READERS</u>	22 9:45 a.m. <u>DUPLICATE BRIDGE II</u>	23 10 a.m. <u>BRIDGE III</u>	24	25	26
27	28 10 a.m. <u>LITERATURE II</u> 11 a.m. <u>MAH JONGG</u>	29 10 A.M. <u>COME TOGETHER FOR CANASTA</u>	30 9:30 or 11 a.m. <u>HOLIDAY POINT OPEN HOUSE</u> 10 a.m. <u>Hi-TEA MEETING</u>	Dec. 1 10 a.m. <u>MOVIE GROUP</u>		

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