



# American Association of University Women Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch

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### SEPTEMBER BRANCH MEETING & FALL BRUNCH

*"Bloom and Grow with  
AAUW"*

Thursday, September 8  
8:45 AM

Trinity Lutheran Church  
14088 Clayton Rd., at Woods Mill Rd.

Our 2011 Fall Brunch theme is **BLOOM AND GROW with AAUW**. Join us as we celebrate the beginning of another fantastic Ballwin-Chesterfield year! Social time begins at 8:45 AM with our catered brunch served at 9:30 AM, hosted and funded by Board members. We encourage you to **invite prospective members** to attend, so that they will know about our activities and projects.

Please email or call Brunch Co-chairs, Phyllis or Fran, with the names of your guests who will attend.

It's going to be a **'bloomingly'** outstanding party! Plant a flower bud on September 8 on your calendar. Invite guests to join us for a growing and glowing event!

**Fall Brunch Co-Chairs:** Phyllis Oakes (636-458-5801, [phylanddave@peoplepc.com](mailto:phylanddave@peoplepc.com)) and Fran Reiland (314-293-2606, [fgreiland@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fgreiland@sbcglobal.net)).

**BOARD MEETING – Thursday, Sept. 1, 9:30 AM at Trinity Lutheran Church.** All Elected and Appointed Officers and Chairs should attend. Please contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575, [mblock@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mblock@sbcglobal.net)) if you are unable to attend.

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#### PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Welcome back! It's been an exciting summer for Ballwin-Chesterfield. We have many new ideas and opportunities for you. At the AAUW National Convention, our branch was recognized as a leader in working for equity for women and girls. Branch awards are listed below. At the national level, Sandy Camillo is now a Director of AAUW. Sue Barley and Karen Francis were appointed to the Leadership Corps, Mary Jermak to the Membership Committee, and Sue Barley to the Fundraising Committee.

Our goal is to make this branch better than ever. You have asked for shorter business meetings—we intend to deliver. Program VPs have scheduled outstanding speakers. Membership VPs are working to make our branch even more inviting for new members. Scholarships have been awarded, and in January, you'll meet the recipients. This September, we'll collaborate with local branches to sponsor a \$start \$mart workshop, a new program to prepare college women to negotiate with prospective employers. The Eleanor Roosevelt Walk in October offers the opportunity to raise funds for research, such as the Fall, 2011, report on bullying and cyber bullying. Upcoming events include an exciting Winter Auction with another fabulous raffle and a fun-filled LAF Trivia Night next spring.

Get involved. Make new friends at Out-to-Lunch. Join an interest group—or add a group. Attend Dollars for Scholars events for new experiences, a good time, and to support scholarships and research. Consider sponsoring an event. It's fun and easy – the Dollars Co-chairs are happy to help.

Be sure to join us at the Fall Brunch on September 8 and bring a prospective member or two (if you let Membership know, they'll have name tags ready for your guests).

Any board member would love to hear your questions, suggestions, or new ideas. Together, we can do even more to advance equity for women and girls.

~ Marcia and Marian

#### CELEBRATE BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD AWARDS

##### AAUW National Awards:

- 1st place LAF
- 2nd place Eleanor Roosevelt Fund
- 3rd place Total Branch Giving
- 8th place Public Policy Fund
- 12th place EOF Fund

##### AAUWMO State Awards

- Mission Accomplished Award
- Galaxy Award: Title IX Forum
- 48 members received Century Club Recognition (Contributed \$100 or more to all AAUW Funds)
- 1st place in total giving
- 3rd place in per capita giving

MO Outstanding Members: Sue Barley and Marsha Koch  
Go to the branch website and click on Awards for further details.

# 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 Joan Lunt (636-527-7488) or Barb Schillhahn (636-549-3219).

The Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch Newsletter is published each month except June and August and e-mailed or mailed to each member. Newsletter Editors are Mary Jermak (636-532-3040, [mgjermak@att.net](mailto:mgjermak@att.net)) and Bette Bude (314-878-7642, [dabbl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dabbl@sbcglobal.net)). Please e-mail or phone in articles. The deadline for articles for the October newsletter is September 8 (the second 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. Sept. 20: Aya Sofia, 6671 Chippewa.

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

**ADELANTE (IBC Book-of-the Month Club)** 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 1:30 PM. Please call Julie Triplett (314-630-9429) for meeting location.

**Sept. 22:** *Just Like Us: The True Story of Four Mexican Girls Coming of Age in America* by Helen Thorpe will be reviewed by Teri Brecht.

## AAUW 2011-2012 BRANCH DIRECTORY

Your 2011-2012 Directory insert is ready to be picked up at the Sept. meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please arrange for a friend to pick up your Directory, as they will not be mailed.

To purchase an extra insert, the cost is \$3.00 and the cost for a new binder is \$8.00. New members receive the binder and insert at no cost.

Please review Directory advertisements and patronize our advertisers, who help to pay for our Directory,

~Dodie Barnes, Rosemary Manley, & Mary Lou Wilson

## “BREAKING THROUGH BARRIERS MAJOR GIFTS CAMPAIGN” ACHIEVES GOAL

A festive celebration reception was held at the AAUW National Convention in honor of the 271 donors who helped the Breaking through Barriers Major Gifts campaign meet the **one million dollar goal**. Included among the generous donors were 100% of the national board, representatives from all 50 states and the District of Columbia, and ten Ballwin-Chesterfield MO Branch members. A complete report can be found at <http://convention.aauw.org/Pages/btbcampaign.aspx>.

## ELEANOR ROOSEVELT WALK – 2011

Thursday, October 27, 10:30 AM

FAUST PARK, 15185 Olive Blvd., 63017

(Carpool: Trinity Lutheran parking lot 10:00 AM)

All members are invited to participate in our annual Eleanor Roosevelt Walk in Faust Park. Your participation will help support and finance one of AAUW's most worthy and important causes. The Eleanor Roosevelt Walk finances research on topics important to AAUW's goals and mission. Your \$25.00 (tax deductible) registration fee includes a new Eleanor Roosevelt Walk tee shirt. An additional gift of \$75.00, bringing your total to \$100, earns you the annual Eleanor Roosevelt Pin and membership in the MO Century Club. Make checks payable to AAUW Funds. All contributions made by sponsoring a walker or donations made to the ER Fund are tax deductible.

Assemble in the parking lot for a group picture at 10:30 AM. After the walk (11:45 AM - 12:00 PM), lunch will be at the Macaroni Grill at 963 Chesterfield Mall Center.

**SIGN-UP AND REGISTRATION SHEETS WITH DIRECTIONS FOR WALKERS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SEPT. (FALL BRUNCH) and OCT. MEETINGS.**

You may also download this form from the branch website. Fill it out and send with your check to Mary Kay Wolfe. All completed sponsor sheets and checks (no cash, please) should be turned in by the date of the walk or preferably before then.

For further information, contact Rosann Swaringim (636-240-7839) or Helen Fick (636-519-7197).

**DIRECTIONS:** From the Rt. 40/Clarkson intersection, go North on Olive Blvd. to Faust Park on Olive Blvd. just one mile north of Hwy. 40. Entrance to the Park is on the left, then turn right into the parking lot.

# AAUW, IBC & Branch News (Continued)



## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

A Sincere Welcome to ALL Our New Members

**Barbara J. McQuitty:** 511 Glenmeadow Dr., Ballwin 63011, Phone: 636-227-1316 Cell: 314-691-2333  
E-mail: [bjmcquitty@aol.com](mailto:bjmcquitty@aol.com)

Barbara has a BA in Business Administration and Management from Webster University. Prior to her retirement she served as the Executive Director of the National Kidney Foundation. She presently works part time as the Executive Director for the Voice of Midlife and Older Women. In her spare time she enjoys reading, gardening, and legislative advocacy.

Barbara, we are delighted to have you in our branch.

**Linda G. Roberson:** 535 Fairways Circle, Creve Coeur, 63141 Phone: 314-692-7280 Cell: 314-402-0241  
E-Mail: [robersonlinda11@att.net](mailto:robersonlinda11@att.net)

Linda graduated with a BA from California State University, Dominguez Hills, and received her Master's degree from Maryville University.

After relocating from CA, Linda taught fifth grade for 15 years in the Webster Groves School District. Since her May retirement, she plans to learn golf and have more time to play cards, read, travel, and pursue her interest in cooking. We are glad you joined our branch, Linda.

**Betty Schreiber:** 15038 Claymoor Ct. #9, Chesterfield, 63017 Phone: 636-230-8862 Cell: 636-236-9920  
E-Mail: [jabessschreiber@gmail.com](mailto:jabessschreiber@gmail.com)

Betty received her Bachelor's degree from Webster University and her Master's degree from the University of Missouri. A retired teacher, she is looking forward to being an active member of AAUW. She enjoys traveling, especially her yearly trips with her family to Door County, WI. Her pastimes include reading, attending movies and theater, and playing bridge. Welcome, Betty, to the Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch.

**CORRECTION:** Please note correct spelling of new member Marsha Koch's first name and e-mail: [marshak@gmail.com](mailto:marshak@gmail.com).

**NEW MEMBERS ORIENTATION COFFEE**  
**Wednesday, October 26 at 1:00 PM, 816 Mason Wood Dr., Town and Country, 63141 (Sandy Camillo's home, 314-576-5687)**

All new members since April 27, 2011, are invited to attend the New Members Orientation Coffee. New members who missed the last orientation are also welcome. Please RSVP to Joan (636-527-7488) or Barb (636-549-3219) if you plan to join us. This is a great chance to meet other new members and board members who will be there to explain goals and activities of the branch. We're looking forward to getting to know you better.

**DIRECTIONS:** From 40 go East to Mason Rd. and turn right on Mason Ridge and turn right once again to 816 Mason Wood

~ Joan Lunt and Barb Schillhahn, Membership

## BRANCH GOALS STRATEGIES/ACTIONS 2011-2013

The AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch Biennial Goals Strategies/Actions have been updated for 2011-2013 and can be found on the Branch website home page, then click on Goals. Members without computer access may request a printed document from Technology Chair, Joyce Katz.

### LAF: WINE, CHEESE, AND BOOK EVENT

**Tues., Sept. 27 – 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM, 29 Washington Terrace Central West End (\*Carpool: From Trinity will leave at 2:10 PM.)**

**COST: \$25.00, tax-deductible. Your check to AAUW Funds, LAF on memo line, is your reservation.**

Join us for a stimulating book discussion of the early feminist novel, *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin, in the spectacular setting of 29 Washington Terrace. Home to opulent balls and Hollywood legends, this 1906 historic home was built by St. Louis architect J.B. Legg. Chopin, the daughter of a distinguished St. Louis family, grew up in a home in the CWE. The guest discussion leader will be Kathleen Nigro, PhD., Professor of English at UMSL.

Sign up at the Fall Brunch or mail your check to Barbara Butchart, 107 Shaelah Ct, Weldon Spring, 63304. Questions? Contact Barb (636-926-7704, [bbutchart@att.net](mailto:bbutchart@att.net)).

**Directions:** Take Highway 40/64 to the McCausland exit. Turn left, north, continue driving on Skinker Blvd., pass Forest Park. Turn right, east, on Lindell Blvd. Drive to Union Blvd. Turn left, north, on Union Blvd., continue driving north to Washington Terrace. Turn left on Washington Terrace - #29 will be on your right.

\*For the convenience of members living east of Highway 270 – A separate carpool will leave at 2:40 PM from the Missouri History Museum, 5700 Lindell Blvd. (Forest Park). **Directions:** See above from Lindell.

## A YEAR OF ADVOCACY

Advocacy is defined as the act of supporting a cause or proposal. AAUW exists to promote equity for women. All AAUW members are advocates for this cause and will be able to participate in the coming months in activities that make a difference in enhancing women's rights.

The 2012 National Election provides us with the perfect opportunity to get women involved in the process of making certain that the candidates elected are cognizant of women's issues and are committed to advancing AAUW's mission.

We are a community of women who take pride in our organization. We have attained many of our goals and yet there is more to be done. Let us know what issues you would like to see highlighted this year in our public policy program. We are looking ahead to a great year.

~ Sandy Camillo and Teri Miller, Public Policy Co-chairs

# AAUW, IBC & Branch News (Continued)

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND (EOF)

### Another Exciting Year!

AAUW is one of the world's largest funding sources for graduate women. In 2011-2012, \$3.6 million will be awarded for 230 fellowships and grants to outstanding women and non-profit organizations. AAUW funds American Fellowships, Career Development Grants, International Fellowships, Selected Profession Fellowships and Community Action Grants. AAUW's Eleanor Roosevelt Fund supports research such as "The Simple Truth about Gender Pay Gap" and "Why So Few?: Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics." Visit [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) for more information.

Branch members always generously support AAUW goals. Again this year, there will be exciting opportunities to support the EOF fund and AAUW's mission...while having fun! You may walk in our annual Eleanor Roosevelt Walk; lead or participate in a Dollars for Scholars event (it's fun!); purchase a Panera card or two; buy our bean soup mix to make a delicious soup; donate during the Individual Giving Campaign in November; learn to play Canasta at our EOF/LAF Canasta party; buy a used book at the second annual book sale; and chat with a scholarship recipient at the January meeting! Look for details the EOF column in future newsletters for ways to have fun and support AAUW.

~ Mary Kay Wolfe and Jan Wolfe, EOF Co-chairs

### 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.*

## LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND (LAF)

### LAF: ONE OF THE FIVE FUNDS OF AAUW

Educational Opportunities, Eleanor Roosevelt, Leadership Programs, Legal Advocacy, and Public Policy are the five philanthropic funds of AAUW. Philanthropy is part of our mission statement and is achieved by donating to these funds.

Beginning with the Supreme Court ruling against Lily Ledbetter and the subsequent passage of the Lily Ledbetter Law, LAF and Public Policy have worked closely together on many issues. An example of this is the joint efforts of the staff of each fund to pass the Campus SaVE Act (H.R. 2016/S. 834). This act would help end sexual assault and violence on college campuses by requiring schools to spell out their policies, conduct prevention activities, and ensure necessary assistance for victims. The Campus SaVE Act was one of the issues AAUW members discussed with Senate and House Members on Lobby Day at the AAUW Convention. An excellent follow up to these discussions would be a letter to your Senators and Representatives supporting the Act.

~ Ruth Griffin and Barbara Butchart LAF Co-chairs

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Used Book Sale (all proceeds to Dollars for Scholars) will be at Feb.'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 beginning in Sept. For other arrangements, contact Mary Kay Wolfe (636-928-9905, [mkwolfe@hotmail.com](mailto:mkwolfe@hotmail.com)) or Jan Horner (314-275-7053, [jhorner@janhorner.com](mailto:jhorner@janhorner.com)). Many thanks!

## THE BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD WINTER AUCTION, AAUW: BREAKING THROUGH BARRIERS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 AM TO 1:30 PM, SNOW DATE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9<sup>th</sup>,

AAUW constantly works toward ensuring equity for women in education and in the workplace. Few could disagree that much more opportunity exists for women to pursue the careers of their choice than was available back when many of our members were beginning their careers. However, much remains to be done, especially during these economically difficult times that seem to be hitting women especially hard. We can be proud that Ballwin-Chesterfield is part of AAUW's efforts to "Break Through Barriers."

**Our Winter Auction, AAUW: *Breaking Through Barriers* is the only event which supports the Operating and Leadership Development Funds. The Operating Fund gives us the money needed to encourage girls to participate in STEM activities; pay the rent to Trinity for membership and board meetings; give speaker stipends and keep the other work of the branch going. Likewise, the monies raised at the Auction send current and prospective leaders to state, regional, and national meetings.**

You can support these two important funds by buying a ticket to the Auction and inviting a friend to buy one too; purchasing and selling tickets for the *Show Me St. Louis Raffle*; giving an attractive item to the Silent Auction; thinking up a fabulous Oral Auction item or package; or sending a check if you are unable to attend.

*Since the name of the Auction has been changed, Harriett and Pat will donate \$5.00 to the Auction coffers every time you hear them say, or write, the former name of the Auction. See if you can catch them.*

~ Harriett Hirschfeld and Pat Shores, Co-chairs for the Winter Auction

# AAUW, IBC & Branch News (Continued)

## TRY THIS, YOU'LL LIKE IT!

Take the Virtual Tour of AAUW, and experience AAUW "Room by Room." Copy and paste the website address below into your browser and GO! (For internet readers, the link is live.)

Start at the Town Square, enter the Community Center, and move on to the Theater. You will be surprised, proud, and have fun learning more about AAUW.

<http://www.aauw.org/about/aauwExperience/fusion/index.html>

## CONTACT AAUW

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

Tel: 202-785-7700 (8:30 AM 5:00 PM EST)

Fax: 202-872-1425

TDD: 202-785-7777

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

## 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](#)



# DOLLAR\$ FOR \$CHOLAR\$

*The proceeds from Dollars for Scholars activities go entirely to the Educational Opportunities Fund and to our local scholarships. 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](mailto:harvibarb@charter.net)).*

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

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

**COLDWATER CREEK FASHION SHOW**, Tuesday, Sept. 20 - 10:00 AM - Coldwater Creek Store, West County Center, Manchester Rd. & Rt. 270 **COST: \$15.00**

Enjoy a light breakfast and see the newest fall fashions modeled by our own AAUW-BC members and more! If any member, any size, is willing to model, please let Karen, Judy, or Barb know.

Sign up at the September branch meeting. Questions? Contact Karen Francis (314-739-4425), Judy Green (314-878-4897), or Barb Tackitt (636-343-0657).

**IT'S CONVENIENT! IT'S DELICIOUS!! AND WE RAISE MONEY!!! BUY YOUR PANERA BREAD CARDS AT THE SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, AND NOVEMBER MEETINGS** **COST: \$10.00**

Buy the Panera Bread Co. cards and use them for any purchase at any Panera or St. Louis Bread Co. across the nation! You will receive full value for your money and the Branch will benefit.

These cards make **GREAT LITTLE HOLIDAY GIFTS** and **THEY NEVER EXPIRE!** Questions? Contact Linda Bader (635-532-0154, [Lbader7311@aol.com](mailto:Lbader7311@aol.com))

**ORDER YOUR PERSONAL AAUW B-C "BUSINESS CARDS"**

**COST: \$10.00 for 20 personalized cards; \$15.00 for 40 cards; \$25.00 for 100 cards**

How many times do you meet new people but know you will soon be "out of sight, out of mind"? With these Personal Cards, you will be kept "in mind" and AAUW Ballwin Chesterfield will be kept "in sight."

What an easy way make social, business, and community connections while increasing AAUW's visibility as a powerful advocate for equity and education for women and girls. Plus, you support our Dollars for Scholars Program!

See a prototype of the cards and order your set at the Dollars for Scholars Table. The card can be personalized and give your name, address, phone number, e-mail, and identify you as an AAUW - BC member, as you choose. Please pay when you order. The finished cards will be available at the November Branch meeting.

# DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

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## BEAN SOUP SALE COST: \$6.00

Think about the upcoming cold winter and be prepared!

Did you know that our traditional Bean Soup Mix was one of B-C's first fundraisers? Now, back by popular demand, our homemade gourmet mix, featuring 15 kinds of beans, will be for sale at our September meeting. Our mix is easy to use and makes a large pot of delicious soup. Questions? Contact Linda Bader (635-532-0154, [Lbader7311@aol.com](mailto:Lbader7311@aol.com))

## CLAUDE MONET'S WATER LILIES: SPECIAL EXHIBIT AND TOUR Tuesday, Oct. 18 – 12:45 PM – St. Louis Art Museum, Forest Park

**COST: \$10, Art Museum members; \$20, non-members**

Come to a special AAUW docent-led tour of "The Triptych is Reunited." Gather in the Central Lobby for the 1 PM tour, followed by an optional lunch/dessert (cost not included). Friends and family are welcome.

Inspired by his gardens at Giverny, French Impressionist Claude Monet painted approximately 250 oil paintings in his *Water Lilies* series. Three of the series' works were painted as a set, or triptych, that stretches 42 feet. *Monet's Water Lilies* brings the three works together for the first time in more than 30 years.

Sign up and pay at the Sept. or Oct. meetings. (Art Museum Members: please supply your membership number when registering.) Questions? Contact: Roz Marx at [rozzie1@yahoo.com](mailto:rozzie1@yahoo.com) (636-256-7631).

**DIRECTIONS:** Meet at the St. Louis Art Museum.

## NATIONAL GREAT RIVERS MUSEUM and the MELVIN PRICE LOCKS & DAM -- Tuesday, October 25, 10:00 AM (Carpool 9:00 AM) - #2 Lock & Dam Way Rd, Alton COST: \$13.00

Wander through the National Great Rivers Museum and learn fascinating information about the people, nature, and wildlife that have shaped the Mississippi River throughout history. View a film about the power of the river in the museum's theatre, then enjoy a private, guided tour of the Melvin Price Locks & Dam where you will see the river from eight stories in the air and (hopefully!) see barges and boats push through the locks.

Optional lunch to follow at My Just Desserts (cost not included). Sign up at the September and October branch meetings or contact Mary Kay Wolfe (636-928-9905, [mkwolfe@hotmail.com](mailto:mkwolfe@hotmail.com)) or Marcia Block (314-962-5575, [mhblock@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mhblock@sbcglobal.net)).

**DIRECTIONS:** Carpool from Trinity Lutheran Church's parking lot (lower level). To drive yourself, go east on I-64/40 to north on I-270. Take exit 31B to merge onto MO-367 North toward Alton. Continue onto US-67 North to the Clark Bridge (entering Illinois). Turn right onto IL-143 and drive two miles to Lock & Dam Way. Turn right.

# SPECIAL 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.

## 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 AM) Hearth Room**

**Sept 15:** contact Ann Jaques (314-434-3439)

### **BRIDGE I (1st Wednesdays)**

**Sept. 7:** Margo Foster (636-527-2107)

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

**Sept. 20:** Nancy Shepard (314-984-9846)

### **BRIDGE III (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 10:00 AM) Hearth Room**

**Sept. 28:** Marjorie Klutho (314-965-6228)

### **BRIDGE IV (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays, 9:30 AM) Kaldi's at Schnucks Woods Mill**

**Sept. 6:** Erlaine Eltomi (636-537-2736)

### **BRIDGE V (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays, 9:30 AM)**

**Sept 13:** Pam Valentine (314-434-8387)

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

**Sept. 19:** Judy Stagoski (636-256-4422)

### **DUPLICATE BRIDGE I (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays, 12:30 PM)**

**Sept.14:** Jean Wagner (636-227-7658)

### **DUPLICATE BRIDGE II (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 9:45 AM) Hearth Room**

**Sept. 27:** Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520)

### *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.*

# Special Interest Groups (Continued)

## **EXPRESSIONS (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays, 1:00 - 3:00 PM)**

**Rockwood Bank, Rt. 109, 63040**

**Sept. 6: You are invited!** All who enjoy doing projects, bring a creative or artistic work in which you are currently engaged (or soon will be) to the meeting. Share time and company with others as you work for a couple of relaxing hours. If you do not have a project, come anyway and get some ideas! Requirement for Expressions: deriving pleasure from doing creative activities! Please RSVP for refreshment purposes. Contact Rosann Swaringim (636-240-7839; [rosannms@charter.net](mailto:rosannms@charter.net)).

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

## **"OUT-TO-LUNCH" (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays)**

Sign up at the Fall Brunch or call Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520) for a reservation. All members are welcome.

**Sept. 21 - 11:30 AM - The Hawthorne Inn - 123 Front St., Labadie, MO 63055**

Carpool at 10:45 AM from the parking lot of Office Depot at the southeast corner of Clarkson and Manchester in Ellisville.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Clarkson and Manchester go west on Manchester (Hwy 100). Keep going for 8 or so miles to Hwy T and turn right. Continue for 11 miles to Front St. on the right. The restaurant is on the left.

## **SATURDAY NIGHT SINGLES**

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

The group 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 the group's mailing list, contact Donna Ross (636-532-4572, [victorianwhodunit@att.net](mailto:victorianwhodunit@att.net)).

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

**August 25:** 401 Oakmont Circle, 63011 (Julie Triplett's home, 636-256-3078). Movies for discussion: *The Help, Sarah's Key, Snow Flower and the Secret Fan, Cowboys and Aliens, Tree of Life, Beginners.*

**DIRECTIONS:** From the Baxter-Clayton intersection go west on Clayton Rd 0.5 miles to Country Club Dr. Turn left and go to the 2nd stop sign. Turn left on Kenilworth (it becomes Algonquin). Turn left on Oakmont Circle. #401 is first house on the left.

**September 22:** Discussion at Pat Shores' home. See the October newsletter for information on movies and directions.

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

## **PLAY READERS' GROUPS**

### **PLAY READERS (3rd Mondays - 12:45 PM)**

**Sept. 19 - 837 Green Lantern Lane, Ballwin**

**(Susie Teicher's home: 636-227-4134)**

**DIRECTIONS:** From Rt. 141 and Rt. 40 go south 2.2 miles toward Manchester. Turn right on Milldale Dr. Turn left on Green Lantern Ln. #837 is on the right.

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

**NO MEETING IN SEPTEMBER.**

## **MAH JONGG (Mondays, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM)**

**Sept. 12, 19, 26 at the Pasta House, 14007 Manchester Road. (on the north side of Manchester in the Seasonal Concepts Strip Mall.)** Please contact Donna Ross, ([victorianwhodunit@att.net](mailto:victorianwhodunit@att.net), 636-532-4572) as your RSVP is essential! Please note that we are now playing on the 2011 card. All Mah Jongg players are most welcome to join in! If you have a Mah Jongg game, please do bring it.

## **GOLF - Every Monday (but no golf on Labor Day)**

All skill levels above beginner are welcome! Play for fun: 9 or 18 holes and come as often as you can. 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](mailto:wait89@aol.com)) or Elaine Frost (314-432-0899, [elfrost7@charter.net](mailto:elfrost7@charter.net)).

# 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) Please RSVP to the Hostess.**

**Sept. 15:** 15231 Brightfield Manor Drive 63017 (Mary Jermak's home, 636-532-3040). A discussion of *Finding Nouf* by Zoe Ferraris will be led by Sande Mawhinney.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Hwy. 40 take the Clarkson/Olive exit. At the stoplight turn right and drive 1.1 miles to Nooning Tree. Turn right on Nooning Tree Dr. and continue to roundabout and gate at Nooning Tree Enclaves. Go through gate to be on Brightfield Manor Dr. Continue to 15231 Brightfield Manor Drive on the right.

For information, call Alice Crippen (636-227-4284, [jccripp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jccripp@sbcglobal.net)) or Carol Winston (314-991-4615, [carolwinston@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carolwinston@sbcglobal.net)).

### **LITERATURE II (4<sup>th</sup> Mondays - 10:00 AM) Please RSVP To the Hostess by the Friday before the meeting. Sept. 26:**

1218 Bedford Falls Court 63021 (Judy Stagoski's home, 636-256-4422). A discussion of *Sister Carrie* by Theodore Dreiser will be led by Marilyn Fletcher.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Hwy 141, exit at Big Bend and go west on Big Bend. Travel 1.7 miles, crossing Hanna Rd. (first stoplight) and Sulphur Springs Rd (second stoplight) to Bedford Falls Court. Turn south onto Bedford Falls. We are the fourth house on the left.

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

### **READING REALITY (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays – 1:00 PM)**

**Sept. 13:** 15231 Brightfield Manor Drive 63017 (Mary Jermak's home, 636-532-3040). A discussion of *Orange is the New Black* by Piper Kerman will be led by Mary Jermak.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Hwy. 40 take the Clarkson/Olive exit. At the stoplight turn right and drive 1.1 miles to Nooning Tree. Turn right on Nooning Tree Dr. and continue to roundabout and gate at Nooning Tree Enclaves. Go through gate to be on Brightfield Manor Dr. Continue to 15231 Brightfield Manor Drive on the right.

This group reads non-fiction selections. For more information, contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575, [mhblock@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mhblock@sbcglobal.net))

### **BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB (BBC) (1<sup>st</sup> Mondays – 10:00 AM) PLEASE RSVP TO THE HOSTESS.**

No meeting in September (Labor Day)

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 (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays - 9:30 AM)**

**September 21 –** 1521 Fournier Dr. (Marcia Block's home, 314-962-5575).

**DIRECTIONS:** From Hwy. 270 and Hwy. 44 go east two miles to Big Bend exit. Turn right and go 0.6 miles to Liggett. Turn right (It's on a bend and easy to miss). Take Liggett 0.9 miles (changes name to Hutchins) until the street ends at Fournier Drive. I'm on the right corner.

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.

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