



Branching Out

AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield
National and State Award-Winning Branch

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In case of inclement weather, if Parkway or Rockwood School District is closed, Ballwin-Chesterfield meetings will be cancelled.



Karen Francis

**PRESIDENTS'
CORNER**



Barbara McQuitty

It's spring and a chance for fresh starts! This spring will see a lot of action. Equity Action Day in Jefferson City, with a host of women's organizations attending, is coming up on April 12—more on page two. We hope to see many of you on the bus with us that day.

Also coming up this month, we will elect new directors. Do take the time to look at the many opportunities to get involved both as members of committees and serving in the appointed directors' positions to be open for 2016–18. If you are new to our AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield branch, or have been out of the action for awhile, do consider where you can make a contribution. We were all new once. Both Karen Francis and I were in the organization only two or three years when we became committee heads. It's more fun when you get involved—you'll meet new friends and deepen the relationships that you already have with other members. We have a great organization because our members are willing to take the step forward into leadership. We are open to new ideas and new people. It doesn't always have to be done the way we've done it before. Change is a powerful agent, and we embrace it. Upcoming openings in appointed (non-elected) director positions are as follows: two openings each in Branch Development for Leadership & Operating Funds (Winter Auction), Dollars for Scholars, and Hospitality; and one opening each in Governance, Fall Brunch, and Spring Luncheon. Let either Karen or me know if you see a position that interests you.

It's time for renewal of branch membership dues. Remember that the easiest way to pay your dues is online. For how-to, see the *Membership Renewal 2016-17*, page 3.

We're looking forward to our many Public Policy activities in this election year—look for Information in future newsletters. You should also make plans to attend the wonderful Spring Luncheon at Whitmoor Country Club. We will install elected officers for the next year and thank those who have made such great contributions to our Ballwin-Chesterfield branch. Be sure to make your reservation and invite a friend.

~ Barb McQuitty

BOARD MEETING: April 7, 9:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church
All Elected and Appointed Officers should attend.
Contact Barbara McQuitty (bmcquitty841@gmail.com), if you cannot be there.

April Annual Meeting

Thursday, April 14, 2016

Trinity Lutheran Church

14088 Clayton Rd (at Woods Mill Rd.)

8:45 a.m. – Registration & Social Time

9:30 a.m. – Business Meeting

10:15 a.m. – Program

11:30 a.m. – Adjourn

Pluses and Pitfalls of Social Media

Marilyn Bader

**Prevention Training Coordinator for the
National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse**

The program will address the issues of social media hot spots and raise cautions when using these tools. The program will encourage us to be more computer savvy and have an appreciation for social media. Marilyn Bader coordinates a wide variety of programs for youth, adults, community members, and professionals through the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

AAUW Priority: Health and Economic Well-Being

HOSPITALITY

Coordinating Hostess: Pat Shores

Committee: Andrea Dedo, Mary Lynn

DeGrande, Marilyn Fletcher, Jan Horner,

Marge Jurgenson, Pam Kulp, Mary

LaRuffa, Doris Nistler, Fran Reiland, and

Linda Roberson.

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Branching Out is published monthly except June and August. The deadline for article submission for May/June *Branching Out* is April 14. Submit articles to Newsletter Editors Bette Bude (bettebude@outlook.com) or Mary Jermak (marygjermak@att.net).

For membership information, contact Membership Vice-Presidents Marilyn Fletcher (marilynletcher597@gmail.com) or Linda Seibert (lindajbseibert63@gmail.com).

For phone numbers and mailing addresses of our members, check the branch *Directory*.

For Care Notes, contact Joan Reed (j6a8r1@aol.com).

For Flyers & Forms referenced in this newsletter, visit ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net.

Electronic Communications (*Branching Out*, Friday Reminders, & Care Notes) are distributed by Communications/Web Director Joyce Katz (joyka234@aol.com). Contact Joyce for tech assistance.

AAUW BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD BOARD

ELECTED OFFICERS

Presidents: Karen Francis & Barbara McQuitty
V-P Program: Jan Horner & Judy Stagoski
V-P Membership: Marilyn Fletcher & Linda Seibert
Secretary/Archivist: Susan Fenwick
Finance Officer: Rita Hawkins-Page
Ex-Officio Immediate Past President: Suzanne Couch

ELECTED DIRECTORS

Educational Opportunities Fund:
Marian Bauer & Linda Roberson
Legal Advocacy Fund: Linda Evans & Julie Triplett
Public Policy: Barbara Butchart & Pat Shores

APPOINTED DIRECTORS

Communications/Web: Joyce Katz
Directory: Marilyn Beiter & Leslie Wier
Dollars for Scholars: Barbara Jowett & Barb Tackitt
Governance: Doris Nistler
Hospitality: Darlene Harris & Vicky Jany
Branch Development for Leadership/Operating Funds:
Erlaine Eltomi, Jayne Kasten, & Joyce Katz
Newsletter Editors: Bette Bude & Mary Jermak
Special Events: Fall Brunch - Kay Meyer & Joanne Nelson
Spring Luncheon - Carol Derington
STEM: Marcia Block & Sandra Murdock

Standing committee chairs are listed in the *Directory*.

AAUW IBC DOWNTOWN LUNCH

3rd Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.

April 19: Felix's Pizza Pub, 6401 Clayton Rd., 63139
314-645-6565

RSVP to Kay Meyer (kicmeyer51@gmail.com).

AAUW ¡ADELANTE! 4th Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

April 28: *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee will be reviewed by Linda Roberson.

Barnes and Noble, 1600 Clarkson Rd., Chesterfield
Please contact Julie Triplett (julietrip@att.net) for further information.

AAUW Events:

April 23, 1–3 p.m., AAUW St. Charles Ladies Tea Time Trivia scholarship benefit for local high school women at Faith United Methodist Church, 2950 Droste Rd., St. Charles. \$120 for table of 8; \$90 for a table of 6; \$15 for a single ticket. <http://stlouis-ibc.aauw.net/files/2013/04/TeatimeTrivis-StCh.pdf>

April 30, AAUW MO Annual Meeting, see page 9
June 3 & 4: Midwest Ten State AAUW Biennial Conference, Great Wolf Lodge, Kansas City, Kansas

Check branch website for details & flyers.

April Equity Action Day: April 12, 2016

NCJW, AAUW, & League of Women Voters, Jefferson City
For a \$36 donation, you'll get bus transportation, training, snacks, drinks, lunch, and an opportunity to make a difference in Missouri.

Whether you walk the halls of our state capitol regularly or are just getting into women's legislative issues, come to Lobby Day in Jefferson City. Elected officials need to hear from us on issues we care about: health care, reproductive rights, protection for victims of domestic violence, and pay equity. **Our voices make a difference.**

There are two pick-up locations—the NCJW office (arrive by 6:30 a.m.) or the Bread Company parking lot in Chesterfield Valley (arrive by 7 a.m.). Return from Jeff City will be by 5 p.m. To RSVP, please call the NCJW office at 314-933-5181.

DIRECTORY 2016–17

See us at the *Directory* table at the Spring Luncheon to select your preference for your new *Directory* (on paper, electronically, or both). You may reserve a *Directory*, provide new information, or place an advertisement via email to Marilyn (wlbetter@swbell.net) or Leslie (wierls@sbcglobal.net). Joyce Katz will take a new or re-take picture at the luncheon or you may email or mail her a picture.

Firm directory deadline: if you have not paid dues by July 14, you will not be in the *Directory* until a later supplement. This will help us meet printing deadlines without last-minute crunches.

~ Marilyn Beiter & Leslie Wier, Directory Co-Directors

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL for 2016-17

The AAUW year begins July 1; renew prior to June 30.



Your membership expires June 30, 2016. AAUW accepts online payment of annual \$81 dues renewals for national, state, and branch dues. Online payment is preferred. Go to aauw.org/join/ and select JOIN/RENEW. Enter your Member ID or Member Information to enter the Member Services area. Then reenter your Member ID and personal password and follow the prompts through the Membership Payment Program (MPP) to renew by credit card. Help is available from national by email or by calling the national office at 800-326-2289. Joyce Katz is also available for assistance. AAUW electronically deposits AAUW MO and branch dues into the respective accounts.

If you renew by check, please write your \$81 check to AAUW. **Do not** add Ballwin-Chesterfield on the payable line of your check. I will collect annual dues at the April and May branch meetings. You may also mail your check to me, Rita Hawkins-Page.

~ Rita Hawkins-Page, Finance Officer

2016 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SERIES

The Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd.,
St. Louis, 63117

April 12, 10:45 a.m. in the auditorium

In the last lecture of the 2016 series, Ryan D. Kulik will present ***A Global Perspective on Addressing Gun Violence***. Mr. Kulik has served more than 20 years as a lobbyist, public relations consultant, and policy advisor in gun violence prevention. He is managing partner in RD Kulik and Associates and head editor for SeedSing.com.

Mr. Kulik will explore how gun laws affect the overall well-being of a global society, how other industrialized nations handle gun violence, how developing nations deal with the culture of gun ownership, and what role laws play in rates of violence and injury in these nations. His multi-media presentation will examine the question "Do guns make us more or less safe?"

This event is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. You are welcome to bring lunch and stay to discuss the topic further with the speaker. In the case of inclement weather, you may call 314-991-0955, ext. 224.

~ Susie Teicher, International Relations

STEM

The STEM committee supported the EYH (Expanding Your Horizons) program on Tuesday March 8 at St. Louis University by sponsoring the registration fee of \$160 for 20 students from the St. Louis Public School Biomedical Collegiate High School. These girls participated in science workshops and career panel programs along with 390 female students who attended this year's EYH conference.

The STEM committee plans to award 2 honors division science fair projects. Each winning girl will receive \$100, a letter, and a certificate.

On Friday April 29, 7 a.m., the committee will present the STEM Girls of Promise Award to five female students at Valley Park High School. These students will receive a \$25 gift card, a certificate, and a medal.

~ Sandra Murdock & Marcia Block, STEM Co-Directors

SUMMER PICNIC Planning Meeting

Tuesday, May 24, 10 a.m., Barb Schillhahn's home

Anyone interested in helping with the July 14 Summer Picnic, please contact Barb (baschillhahn@gmail.com) or call her cell phone (number unchanged). Barb's new address and home phone are listed in the March Directory supplement. Please **RSVP**.

**SPRING LUNCHEON & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

May 12, 2016, WHITMOOR COUNTRY CLUB, 11:15 a.m.

Reservations: \$26 by April 29

Plant Your Dreams and Watch Them Grow

Please plan to attend the annual Spring Luncheon. We anticipate an enjoyable day celebrating this year's accomplishments, honoring members, and installing our new officers. Reservations may be made at the April branch meeting. You may also send your check made payable to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield to Carol Anthony or Kay Meyer, reservations co-chairs. After April 29, payments are not refundable.

Table selection and seating will be made at the time of reservation. Members who want to be seated together should make their reservations at the same time. Guests are very welcome. There will be no valet service; however, greeters will be at the door to assist you. Questions: contact Carol Derington by phone or at carol.derington@sbc.global.net.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND

Ballwin-Chesterfield partnered with IBC to offer scholarships to local women to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCWSSL). One woman is studying at UMSL and majoring in social work. A second woman attends Webster University and is majoring in psychology and minoring in gender studies. Both of these women have great credentials and are most happy that we were able to help them attend this important event.

Our book sale continues to be a great success. The money raised goes to Dollars for Scholars to support local and national scholarships. You can help this event by donating books and buying books. Our last sale for the year will be at the April branch meeting.

~ *Marian Bauer & Linda Roberson*, EOF Co-Directors

PUBLIC POLICY

Are You Biased against Women Leaders?

Women have been leaders throughout history, and today the tradition of volunteer female leadership continues to flourish. Yet in terms of paid leadership, women's elevation to top positions is relatively rare. Why do men still vastly outnumber women in these positions?

If asked, most of us would say that discrimination against women in the workplace is wrong and unacceptable. Unfortunately, research shows that treating women and men equally in hiring decisions, job evaluations, and leadership positions is more of an ideal than reality. We all have implicit bias. Psychology research shows that most Americans associate positively with white people and negatively with African Americans, an association that has pervasive effects on our society. Studies of racial bias were some of the first to use implicit measures. These measures allow investigation of attitudes or associations that people may consciously deny or reject, or even be unconsciously aware that they have.

Bias matters. Perhaps unsurprisingly, given the pervasive gender association documented by researchers, academic scientists who evaluated identical resumes belonging either to "John" or "Jennifer" perceived Jennifer as less competent.

We can reduce bias! Fortunately, studies suggest that it may be possible to reduce bias in our minds and in our workplaces. One study found that systematic consideration of personal judgments could help combat bias in the evaluation of women in leadership positions, while another study of university professors found that a program of anti-bias education improved the environment in their departments.

AAUW's newest research report, *Barriers and Bias: The State of Women in Leadership*, explores this question by drawing from scholarly research and by paying special attention to stereotypes and biases. Source: AAUW *Leadership*

~ *Pat Shores & Barbara Butchart*,
Public Policy Co-Directors

LAF Individual Giving

At the March 10 branch meeting, Ballwin-Chesterfield members donated \$1,625 to the Legal Advocacy Fund for the LAF Individual Giving Campaign.

If you were not at the meeting and wish to donate to support the important work of LAF, you may send your donation check (fully tax deductible) to Julie Triplett.

LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND and Sexual Harassment

How is the money we send to the Legal Advocacy Fund used? Educating girls and women students about their rights is one important part of LAF's mission.

Last month Doris Nistler discussed *Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972*. This comprehensive federal law prohibits sex discrimination in education. It covers women and men, girls and boys, and staff and students in any educational institution or program that receives federal funds. Local school districts, colleges and universities, for-profit schools, career and technical education agencies, libraries, and museums are all covered under *Title IX*.

Women and girls need to know that sexual harassment and sexual violence disproportionately affect college women and impede their ability to participate fully in campus life. Both sexual harassment and sexual violence are forms of sex discrimination covered under *Title IX*. *Title IX* protects students from sexual harassment and violence that occur in the course of a school's education programs and activities. Once a school knows of, or reasonably should have known about sexual harassment or sexual assault on campus, *Title IX* requires the school to promptly investigate the complaint and take steps to protect its students.

The Legal Advocacy Fund promotes programs to aid students who have faced sexual harassment or sexual violence. Students can file an internal complaint with the school and the school can take steps to prevent further harassment. Those steps could include changing a class schedule, prohibiting the perpetrator from contacting the student, or even expelling the perpetrator. If a student believes the school has failed to investigate complaints or protect its students, a complaint can be filed with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR), the federal government agency charged with enforcing *Title IX*.

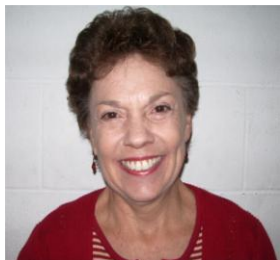
~ *Julie Triplett & Linda Evans*, LAF Co-Directors



SANDRA MURDOCK

Sandra Murdock, for Co-president, joined AAUWB-C in 2001. Sandra originally led the science fair committee; she now is co-director of STEM. She annually judges science fair projects, mentors girls, and awards cash prizes on behalf of the branch. Sandra presently serves on 12 boards in the St. Louis community and Missouri. These boards are science, health, and civil rights related. Sandra's passion is improving the quality of life for students as they prepare for a career in science. She is proud of her volunteer work at Cool Valley Elementary School in the Ferguson Florissant School District and has volunteered weekly for four years in the Mentoring Village Computer Math program.

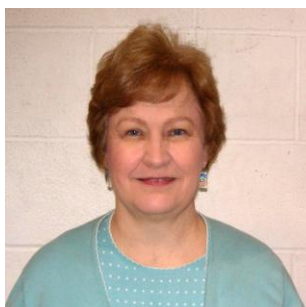
Sandra worked for the FDA in chemistry, St. Louis University chemistry lab at Cardinal Glennon Hospital, Washington University School of Medicine in microbiology research, and taught in the Parkway School District for 30 years. Sandra graduated from Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland, with a degree in chemistry and has a master's degree in education from the University of Missouri Columbia. She is married to Dr. Nathaniel Murdock and has two adult children.



MARILYN FLETCHER

Marilyn Fletcher, for Co-Vice-President Program, taught in Springfield/Ozark, Missouri for 30 years. She taught grades K-6 and *Title I* reading. She is married for 50 years to her high school sweetheart. They have two sons and three grandchildren. Her hobbies are family genealogical research, jigsaw puzzles, and collecting teapots and faux turtles. She also enjoys sewing for fun and for the Wounded Warrior Project, volunteering at St. Luke's Hospital in the ER, and volunteering for CASA as a advocate for foster children in St. Louis County.

In 2007 Marilyn joined AAUW when invited by her neighbor, Nancy Beckmann. She has served on the membership and LAF committees, taught in the Wellston Project, participated in Smart Start, and helped with GOTV voter registration. In addition, she is in two reading groups, a play reading group, and a bridge group.



SUSAN FENWICK

Susan Fenwick, for Secretary/Archivist, currently serves in that position and is a *Branching Out* copy editor. Since joining in 2011, she has served on the bylaws, hospitality, board restructuring, summer picnic, and winter auction committees. She has participated in the annual ER Walk and attended the AAUW MO Convention. Among her favorite branch activities are Dollars for Scholars and the EOF Book Sale, since reading is a major hobby, along with travel, and photography.

After obtaining degrees in Spanish at the University of Iowa, Susan ran a Spanish translation firm that specialized in technical documentation for exported equipment. Subsequently, she earned a bachelor's degree in computer science and spent 20 years at Rockwell Collins Inc., developing avionics software. Susan and her husband chose to retire in the St. Louis area eight years ago. She volunteers in the MoBot Garden Research Department and is presently assigned to the World Flora Online project, an online botanical database.



FRAN REILAND

Fran Reiland, for Co-Vice-President Membership, joined AAUW in March of 2010. She has been co-chairman of the fall brunch committee and this year is the leader for the genealogy interest group. Fran has enjoyed assisting where she can in AAUW. She has been a member of the membership, winter auction, and picnic committees.

Fran earned her bachelor's degree in liberal arts from Drake University and her master's in journalism from Michigan State University. She worked as Membership Director at the Bay City Michigan Chamber of Commerce and then in sales, training, and marketing at Ameritech/SBC/ATT Yellow Pages. She has lived in St. Louis since December of 2000 and enjoys volunteering with the CVC, participating in historical reenactments, genealogy, golf, and reading.



SUSAN TEICHER

SUSAN TEICHER (Susie), for Co-Vice-President Membership, joined AAUW in 2007 and has served on the membership, International Relations, and the summer picnic committees. She served as Co-Vice-President of Program, 2009–11. Susie enjoys three interest groups and has attended many Dollars for Scholars events and has planned or helped plan several. She appreciates the good work AAUW does in support of women and, especially, the friendships formed among the fine thinking, caring women she has met through this organization.

She attended Principia College and graduated from Wichita State University where she earned a bachelor's degree in speech and drama and education. She taught English for 25+ years, briefly in Massachusetts and then at The Principia Upper School where she served as department chair for seven years.

Check your email beginning at 8:15 a.m. the day of the event for updates or cancellation.



DFS events raise funds for scholarships, give members opportunities to meet in small groups for enriching & educational experiences, and introduce AAUW to non-members.

ALL PROCEEDS FROM DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS EVENTS SUPPORT WOMEN'S EDUCATION.

Make Dollars for Scholars Checks Payable to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield.

TO SPONSOR AN EVENT, contact Barb Jowett (brjowett@yahoo.com) or Barb Tackitt (harvibarb@charter.net).
Please Remember - Take Pictures At Your Event!

LAST DAYS REGISTER FOR

TEA AROUND THE WORLD

The Hearth Room, Lamp and Lantern Village
Thursday, **March 31**, 3–5 p.m. COST: \$27

Enjoy a full High Tea and Support Dollars for Scholars. Contact Mary LaRuffa (marylaruffa0@gmail.com) or Susan Heigel (sheigel@charter.net).

LAST CHANCE TO DONATE YOUR USED BOOKS!



The April branch meeting is your **last chance** to clean out your bookshelves and donate your books! You will be able to browse through the offerings one last time at the meeting and make a purchase if you wish. All remaining items will be sold to local used bookstores with proceeds going to Dollars for Scholars. Thanks to your generosity, we have donated nearly \$1000 this year to Dollars. **Questions?** Contact Mary Kay Wolfe (mkwolfe@hotmail.com).

MO BOTANICAL LIBRARY & HERBARIUM TOUR

Tuesday, April 5

Tour 10 a.m.

COST: \$20

Meet at the Monsanto Center lobby, 4500 Shaw Blvd. See the tulips, irises, azaleas, dogwood, and peonies as background. Tour the Herbarium, one of the world's outstanding research resources for specimens and information on plants. Lunch is on your own at Favazza's on the Hill following the tours. Contact Susan Fenwick (susanfenwick3@icloud.com) or Barb McQuitty (bmcquitty841@gmail.com) or sign up at an upcoming branch meeting.

Carpool from Trinity at 9 a.m.

GET UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH THE BUDWEISER CLYDESDALES

Monday, April 25

10 a.m. carpool from Trinity

COST: \$22—\$12 for tour, \$10 for Dollars for Scholars

Take a guided walking tour of Warm Springs Ranch in Boonville, MO, headquarters of the Budweiser Clydesdales' breeding operation. See newborns in the foaling area and find out what it takes to become a Budweiser Clydesdale. The indoor-outdoor tour, starting at 2 p.m., lasts 90 minutes. Photos are permitted throughout. Before leaving, sample complimentary Budweiser beer and stop at the gift shop for your Clydesdale souvenirs.



LUNCH: On the way to Warm Springs Ranch, stretch your legs and enjoy lunch in Rocheport at the Les Bourgeois Winery Blufftop Bistro, overlooking the Missouri River Valley. (Lunch is not included in the price.)

Contact Susan Fenwick (susanfenwick3@icloud.com). Please make checks payable to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield branch.



Our Interest Groups are primarily social and bring members with similar interests together. Try one! Contact an Interest Group chair today.

Interest Groups and their chairs are listed in the front of your *Directory*. Marilyn Fletcher (marilynletcher597@gmail.com) coordinates all Interest Groups and can help with the information you need.

BOOK CLUBS ~ WE WELCOME ALL READERS

Please RSVP to the hostess by the Friday before the meeting. All addresses are listed in the branch *Directory*. Download the 2015–16 book lists from the **Interest Groups** page on the branch website. Questions? Check with the contact name listed for the book group.

LITERATURE I 3rd Thursday 4/21 9:30 a.m.

Hostess, Bette Bude (bettebude@outlook.com)

A discussion of *A Tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki will be led by Bette Bude.

Contact Alice Crippen (jccripp@sbcglobal.net).

LITERATURE II 4th Monday, 5/23 10 a.m.

NOTE change from April to May.

Lit II is moving our April plan to May 23. This will allow those who want to go to the Clydesdale Dollars event to attend since it is on the Lit II meeting day.

May 23: Hostess, Pam Valentine (pamsueval@charter.net)

A discussion of *Hissing Cousins* by Marc Peyser & Timothy Dwyer will be led by Jayne Kasten.

Contact Joyce Katz (joyka234@aol.com) or Erlaine Eltomi (erlaine.eltomi@att.net).

READING REALITY 2nd Tuesday 4/12 1 p.m.

Hostess, Mary Jermak (marygjermak@att.net)

A discussion of *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in N. Korea* by Barbara Demick will be led by Jan Horner.

This group reads non-fiction selections. Contact Marcia Block (mhblock@sbcglobal.net).

BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB (BBC)

NOTE new day: 1st Monday 4/4 10 a.m.

Meet at Schnucks, Clarkson and Kehrs Mill Road

A discussion of *Empty Mansions: The Mysterious Life of Huguette Clark and the Spending of a Great American Fortune* by Bill Dedman and Paul Clark Newell Jr. will be led by Brenda Ernst. RSVP to Brenda.

This group discusses nonfiction, especially biographies, memoirs, and autobiographies. Contact Brenda Ernst (ernst2@charter.net).

GREAT DECISIONS

Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Road Thursdays at noon

Great Decisions is offered by the World Affairs Council. Expert speakers present from noon–1:30 p.m. and are followed by a documentary video and AAUW discussion. The following are upcoming topics:

March 31, *The Koreans*; April 7, *The United Nations*; April 14, *Climate Change*; April 28, *Cuba and the U.S.*

Contact Roz Marx (rozzzie1@yahoo.com) for more information.

GENEALOGY Monday, April 18 10 a.m.–noon

Tour of Bellefontaine Cemetery

4947 West Florissant Ave., St. Louis, 63115

Carpool from Trinity at 9 a.m.

Pat White will facilitate our tour of Bellefontaine Cemetery. We will learn which records are available there and how to use them for genealogical research.

We will return to Trinity and have lunch nearby around noon.

Drivers are needed!

For more information, contact Fran Reiland

(fgreiland@sbcglobal.net) or Pat White (pgwhite02@gmail.com).

EXPRESSIONS 1st Tuesday, 1–3 p.m.

***NOTE new meeting place:**

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

13014 Olive Blvd., Creve Coeur, 63141



April 5: Basket Making With Pat White

Weave a simple bowl for fruit or bread rolls in natural and smoked reed. Bring an old towel, scissors, and a dull knife for packing. The cost is \$10.

Contact Pat White (pgwhite02@gmail.com) for more information.

*** The location is where we held our Summer Picnic.**

MOVIE GROUP 4th Thursday, 10 a.m.

Thursday, March 24: Linda Evans (lindaKayslp@gmail.com)

The movies for March are *I Saw the Light*, *Where to Invade Next*, *Hello my name is Doris*, *Eye in the Sky*, *Dark Horse*, *Finest Hours*, and *The War*.

April 28: Mary Lou Wilson (rwilson5510@charter.net)

For more information about this group, contact

Doris Nistler (dnistler14@att.net) or Mersine Kallaos (mkallaos@prodigy.net).

GOLF Mondays

Our golf season gears up again in April.

If you have any questions, contact the golf chairs, Bev Wait (wait89@aol.com) and Elaine Frost (elfrost7@charter.net).



PLAY READERS 3rd Monday, 12:30 p.m.

April 18

Hostess, Becky Kruse (kruser6556@yahoo.com)

For more information, check with Julie Triplett (julietrip@att.net).

BRIDGE CALENDAR FOR APRIL

To play or sub in a group, contact Marilyn Fletcher
(marilynletcher5107@gmail.com).

BASIC BRIDGE & BEYOND 9:30 a.m. Hearth Room
3rd Thursday, 4/21: Contact Nancy Hughes

BRIDGE BUDDIES *Note changes in time and place.*
11 a.m. The Egg and I, Baxter and Clarkson
2nd Wednesday, 4/13: Kathy Skiles
4th Wednesday, 4/27: Kathy Skiles

BRIDGE FRIENDS 10 a.m. Hearth Room
3rd Thursday, 4/21: Jane Arneson

BRIDGE I 10:30 a.m. Hearth Room
1st Wednesday, 4/6: Contact Janet Ludewig

BRIDGE II *Note new place.*
10:30 a.m. Walnut Grill, Clayton/Clarkson
3rd Tuesday, 4/19: Joan Lunt

BRIDGE III 10 a.m. Hearth Room
4th Wednesday, 4/27: Susan Shepperd

BRIDGE IV 9:30 a.m. Kaldi's
1st Tuesday, 4/5: Teresa Reeves

BRIDGE V 9:30 a.m. Kaldi's
2nd Tuesday, 4/12: Sheila Kalman

BRIDGE VI 10 a.m. Hearth Room
3rd Monday, 4/18: Jackie Fleck

DUPLICATE BRIDGE I 9:50 a.m.
1st Tuesday, 4/5: Mary Jermak

DUPLICATE BRIDGE II *Note change in place.*
9:45 a.m. Aberdeen Heights
4th Tuesday, 4/26: Alice Crippen

BEGINNERS' DUPLICATE 10:15 a.m. Hearth Room
4th Tuesday, 4/26: Jane Arneson

3/24 Movie Group, 10 a.m.
3/31 Great Decisions noon;
\$\$ Tea Around the World, 3 p.m.

APRIL Golf on Mondays**Week 1**

4 Bio Book Club 10 a.m.
5 \$\$ MO Bot Library/Herbarium Tour 10 a.m.;
Expressions 1 p.m.
7 Board of Directors Meeting 9:30 a.m.
Great Decisions noon

Week 2

12 International Relations 10:45 a.m.; Reading Reality 1 p.m.
Equity Action Day
14 Branch Annual Meeting 8:45 a.m. Final Book Collection
and Sale; Great Decisions noon

Week 3

18 Genealogy 10 a.m.; Play Readers 12:30 p.m.
19 IBC Lunch 11:45 a.m.
20 Out To Lunch 11:30 a.m.
21 Lit I 9:30 a.m.

Week 4

23 St. Charles Branch Tea Time Trivia 1 p.m.
25 \$\$ Clydesdales Boonville Tour 10 a.m.
28 Movie Group 10 a.m.; Great Decisions, noon;
¡ADELANTE! 1:30 p.m.
29 STEM Girls of Promise 7 a.m.; Spring Luncheon checks due
30 AAUW MO Annual Meeting

COMING IN MAY

12 Spring Luncheon
24 Summer Picnic Planning Meeting

COMING IN JUNE

2-4 NCWSSL Conference
3-4 Ten State AAUW Biennial Conference

**OUT TO LUNCH GROUP** 3rd Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.

April 20: ROOSTER ON GRAND
3150 South Grand, St. Louis 63118

You will enjoy lunch at Rooster, a European style, urban café. Rooster specializes in crepes, sandwiches, and brunch items along with a unique selection of coffee, craft beer, and the best Bloody Marys and Mimosas in town.

Contact Harriett Hirschfeld (hhirschfe@aol.com) or Pat Shores (apatriciashores@att.net) with your reservation or sign up at the April branch meeting. Call Harriett if you wish to carpool.

*All members and friends
are welcome.*



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AAUW OF MISSOURI ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, April 30, 2016

Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, 422 Monroe St, Jefferson City, MO

Join AAUW members from around the state to participate in leadership training sessions, Advocacy as a Mission, and GOTV. AAUW board member Dot McLane will bring an update from national. Meet AAUW MO Fellow Rachel Reid. Attend the AAUW MO membership meeting and awards presentations. Celebrate the completion of the Elaine Richardson Fellowship!

The branch will reimburse your \$60 registration fee after you attend the conference.

Register before April 8. Make checks payable to AAUW of Missouri (2016 Convention in memo line).

Send your check to Ellen Johnson. Go to ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net for flyer and registration form and Ellen's mailing address and phone.



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