



Branching Out

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National and State Award-Winning Branch

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



Karen Francis

PRESIDENTS'
CORNER



Barbara McQuitty

The New Year moves on, and our branch does, too. The branch has done much in 2015-16, but we have new goals to meet and planning to do. Our strategic planning group has met once as I write this. Using materials from the national office, we came up with five overall goals for the branch to strive toward in the next two years. Next, the committee will set up the action steps to achieve those goals. Using this strategic plan, after approval by the board, our branch hopes to become even stronger in its efforts to help women and girls achieve educational, personal, and professional growth. A big thanks to Vicky Jany, Mary Jermak, and Julie Triplett for working on this plan with Co-President Karen Francis and me.

AAUW hasn't missed a beat in navigating toward a better future for women and girls. AAUW is empowering women in negotiations for fair and equitable salaries in their work and helping young women fight stereotypes on campuses. Of course, AAUW is all about connecting girls to the STEM field, encouraging them in their pursuit of engineering, chemistry, and environmental science. At our Ballwin-Chesterfield branch, we are working at several high schools with young women, as they endeavor to go into STEM. We also give scholarships to non-traditional women students in college who are going into STEM fields.

A new AAUW endeavor is a focus on impacting change; that is, how to take what is learned and translate that into action? This focus is what's behind AAUW's *Charting the Course* major gift campaign, whose goal is to raise one million dollars in unrestricted funds to use so AAUW can respond quickly to new challenges facing women. AAUW can create research, programs, and advocacy initiatives to meet new challenges when needed, instead of raising the funds to use before AAUW can act. To this end, and to find out how you can help, check aauw.org for information on *Charting the Course*.

For now, as old man winter is winding down, think spring! All things new and fresh!

~Barb McQuitty

BOARD MEETING: The next board meeting is February 4, 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.

February Branch Meeting

Thursday, February 11, 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

Fighting for Missouri Consumers in an Era of Corporate Power

**Joan Bray, Executive Director of
Consumers Council of Missouri**

Joan Bray is a former Missouri state senator and former newspaper reporter and editor. She is the founder of the Consumers Council of Missouri. In a time of corporate power, Bray will give us ideas of how this organization is fighting for consumers.

AAUW Priority: Economic Well-Being

HOSPITALITY

Coordinating Hostess: Rebecca Kaley
Committee: Marcia Block, Diane Correll, Alice Crippen, Carol Derington, Margaret Estes, Helen Fick, Elaine Frost, Joyce Katz, Barb McQuitty, and Carolyn Pohlkotte.

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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 aauwballwin-chesterfield.org.

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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 Eltom, 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.

February 16: Mathew's Kitchen, 5625 Hampton Av., 63109,
314-351-1700

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

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

Barnes and Noble, 1600 Clarkson Rd., Chesterfield

February 25: *Never Home* By Laird Hunt will be reviewed
by Julie Triplett.

Please contact Julie Triplett (julietrip@att.net) for further
information.

Upcoming AAUW Events

February 27: 10 a.m.–noon, A Legislative Action Forum on
Sexual Assault, Right-to-Work, and Minimum Wage,
Grace Methodist Church, St. Louis

April 12: Equity Action Day

April 30: AAUW MO meeting, DoubleTree, Jefferson City

June 3 & 4: Midwest Ten State AAUW Biennial Conference,
Great Wolf Lodge, Kansas City, Kansas

For details on upcoming events, see the branch website.

NAMED GIFT HONOREES FOR 2016

Please Submit by March 18

It's time again to recognize and honor our branch members
who have made a significant contribution to the AAUW mission
and goals. The ladies will be honored at our Spring Luncheon.

We have so many generous members who give of their time,
talent, and treasures to make Ballwin-Chesterfield branch such
a success. You may nominate as many members as you wish.
Past honorees are listed in the *Directory*; however, a member
may be nominated again.

Please download the nomination form from our branch website
or get a nomination form at the February or March branch
meetings.

Send nominations to couchsuzanne749@gmail.com, or mail
them to me—my address is in the *Directory*.

Thank you!

~ Suzanne Couch

DIRECTORY

March *Directory* supplement information should be sent to Marilyn
or Leslie by February 4, 2016.

If you are a new member or would like a picture retake, be sure to
have your picture taken at a branch meeting by Joyce Katz or
send Joyce a picture by email or postal mail.

~ Marilyn Beiter & Leslie Wier, Directory Co-Directors

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Welcome our new members to
the AAUW B-C branch.



Jeanne Neuner, Webster Groves 63119
Email: J.Neuner@hotmail.com

Jeanne went to University of Missouri at Columbia and received a bachelor's of science in secondary education with an English major, and to Webster University where she received a master's in communications.

Jeanne retired as a teacher in the Parkway School District. She likes bridge, reading, gardening, painting, and poetry.

~ Linda Seibert & Marilyn Fletcher, V-P Membership

SPRING LUNCHEON

Plant Your Dreams and Watch Them Grow
May 12 at Whitmoor Country Club

Whitmoor's Chef Jesse is busy working his particular magic in creating a wonderfully delicious menu. Member Jill Norton is using her creative magic in designing beautiful decorations.

Plan to make your reservations at the March and April branch meetings.

~ Carol Derington, Spring Luncheon

**SUPPORT BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD
WHEN YOU SHOP**

With any purchase at Office Depot/Office Max using the branch's Worklife Rewards card, our branch receives a cash certificate to be applied to future purchases.

When you or a family member shops at Schnucks, including the pharmacy, and uses their eScrips card, a percentage of your purchase comes back to the branch as cash!

Already a participant? Please remember the branch when you shop! Not yet a participant? Visit the MEMBERS ONLY section on the branch website to get started. Questions: Contact Mary Jermak, Bette Bude, or Joyce Katz.

2016 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SERIES
January through April at 10:45 a.m., 2nd Tuesday
The Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd., St. Louis, 63117

Our lecture series for 2016 is off to a grand start. At the first lecture, Dr. Robert Criss of Washington University provided an interesting—if alarming—presentation on water management around the world and here in our very home state with the Mississippi River.

February 9 brings Ken Denson, a life-long environmentalist, whose focus has been understanding the causes and solutions to the climate crisis. His talk, ***The Climate Crisis—Status Post-Paris***, will examine progress following the U.N. Climate Conference in December 2015.

The meeting will begin promptly at 10:45 a.m. in the upper auditorium. Like church, admittance is free but donations are welcome! Attendees are invited to bring lunch and to stay and discuss the day's topic with the speaker.

Remember, in the case of inclement weather, call 314-991-0955 ext. 224.

~ Susie Teicher, International Relations

IBC 2016 SPRING FLING

The annual **Spring Fling** luncheon will be held on **Saturday, March 12** at Keegan's Restaurant in the Highlands Golf & Tennis Center in Forest Park. The cost is \$28. **Registration deadline is March 5.** Flyers and registration forms are available on the branch website.

The program will feature the Gateway Spotlight Chorus, a member of Sweet Adelines International. These women are committed to advancing the musical art form of barbershop four-part harmony through education, competition, and performance. The St. Charles chapter will entertain with a variety of a cappella patriotic songs, show tunes, popular songs of yesteryear, and more.

The luncheon choices are chicken piccata or cheese manicotti served with a Mayfair salad, seasonal vegetable, whipped red potatoes, rolls and flatbreads, or a Cobb Salad paired with a fresh fruit cup and flatbreads. Dessert bars/cookies, coffee, and tea are included with all meals. A cash bar will be available.

Branches are providing raffle baskets and our branch participation in this event is very important.

~ Suzanne Couch, IBC Representative

PUBLIC POLICY

The *Breaking the Chains of Human Trafficking Symposium*, January 12, was very successful with nearly 100 people in attendance. St. Charles County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Jillian Anderson was the keynote speaker and told the group what's happening in St. Charles County. Anderson shared two cases in which traffickers were prosecuted and encouraged community groups to work together.

The *Vulnerability and Recruitment, Exploitation, and Victims* break-out sessions were thought-provoking and challenged advocates to truly see victims that are in plain view. The more dysfunctional home life is for a young person, the greater vulnerability a victim may display. Recruitment is done through cyber sites and gathering places where young people go, such as malls and school sports events. The recruiter may be similar in age and can be male or female. Recruiters/traffickers tend to create a bond and loyalty that controls all aspects of the victim's life. Force, fraud, and coercion are used by traffickers to exploit victims into lives of servitude and abuse. Victims experience a lifetime of scars and ramifications that include PTSD, anxiety and mood disorders, substance abuse, depression, and multiple defense mechanisms.

Christine McDonald, author of *Cry Purple*, spoke from her heart about her experiences from victim to author. Only after hitting rock bottom did Christine find the will to seek help to change her ways after 20 years of unhappiness, homelessness, prostitution, drug addiction, horrendous violence, and convictions. Detective Dan Maxiner of the St. Charles County Sheriff's Office stated it is difficult to identify victims of labor and domestic trafficking, but if something looks suspicious, report it to the Human Trafficking Hotline: 888-3737-888. Hopefully, new legislation will help control trafficking everywhere.

A special thank you to the Ballwin-Chesterfield AAUW members who so graciously gave their time to support and work the symposium: Ellen Alper, Barbara Butchart, Carol Derington, Karen Francis, Sr. Esther Hogan, Cindy Jensen, Mersine Kallaos, Sr. Ruth Kertz, Eve LaJeunesse, and Pat Shores.

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

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND

Did you know that your support of EOF has far-reaching effects on the lives of women and girls? Through the fellowships offered each year, graduate and postdoctoral students receive help in accomplishing their goals. Women can do research, write dissertations, and prepare research for publication. The Selected Professional Fellowships help women seek master's degrees in areas where women's participation has been traditionally low. These include architecture, computer/information sciences, engineering, mathematics/statistics, business administration, law, and medicine. AAUW also offers International Fellowships to graduate women who are not U.S. citizens to pursue full-time study.

On the local level we continue to support women working to finish their undergraduate education. Our support of these women over the years has led to important progress for many women. By planning and supporting Dollars for Scholars events you make this important work possible. One of our many events is our Used Book Sale; it will continue at each branch meeting through April. You may donate and/or buy books.

~ Marian Bauer & Linda Roberson, EOF Co-Directors

LAF in Action

Good news! We have a million dollar win in the case supported by the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund, *Moshak v. University of Tennessee*, which LAF took on in 2014. In 2012, Jenner Moshak and two former coaches of the national title-winning Lady Volunteers basketball team filed suit against the university, alleging sex discrimination and unlawful retaliation under *Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964*, *Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972*, and *the Equal Pay Act of 1963*. The plaintiffs claim they were unlawfully discriminated against and eventually forced out of their positions during a university-led merger of the men's and women's athletic departments. They further claim that during this merger, 86 percent of the positions eliminated were held by women or were associated with the women's athletic department. Trial was scheduled for June 2015 in the U.S. District Court for Eastern Tennessee. On Jan. 6, 2016, AAUW received news that the University of Tennessee will pay the plaintiffs more than a million dollars, with the added bonus that it does NOT contain a confidentiality clause, so the plaintiffs may continue as speakers and advocates.

Did you notice that these laws were passed more than 40 years ago? Gender discrimination still exists in highly respected not-for-profit institutions. Even at schools where female athletes have achieved great success, there exists a deep level of institutionalized gender discrimination when it comes to valuing women's sports and women athletes.

Your contributions make progress happen! The AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund has been crucial to the success of many gender discrimination cases during its 33-year history. In March, we will seek your individual contributions to LAF. Remember, after the hard work of getting anti-discrimination legislation passed, continued efforts are needed to see that these laws are upheld in the courts. Your support is needed and appreciated.

~ Linda Evans & Julie Triplett, LAF Co-Directors

Inclement Weather Alert: 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!

DONATE YOUR USED BOOKS – WITH A TWIST!

Bring donations through April 2016

Clean out your bookshelves! Bring your books, CD's, & DVD's to branch meetings. You may wish to browse through the donated books at each branch meeting and make a purchase; all remaining items will be sold to local used bookstores with proceeds going to Dollars for Scholars. Continue to bring those books and help support women scholars.

Questions? Contact Mary Kay Wolfe (mkwolfe@hotmail.com).



KALDI'S COFFEE TOUR

3983 Gratiot Road, St. Louis, 63119

Thursday, February 25, 10 a.m.

Carpool from Trinity, 9:30 a.m.

COST: \$10

Come join us for a walk-through tour of the Kaldi's coffee facility where you will see tea production, the tech maintenance department, raw coffee, coffee roasting and production, and the warehouse area. This will be followed by a "coffee cupping" which is the standard way specialists taste and grade coffee in the industry.

Optional Lunch: 11:30 a.m. at Eleven Eleven Mississippi, serving a cuisine of authentic Tuscan Italian food.

Sign up at the February branch meeting. For more information, contact Barb Jowett (brjowett@yahoo.com) or Barb Tackitt (harvibarb@charter.net).

15th Biennial Teapot Exhibit

Friday, March 4 10:30 a.m.

Craft Alliance, 6640 Delmar, U. City

COST: \$10

Carpool from Trinity: 9:45 a.m.



Greet March with
Interpretations, an exciting
 Craft Alliance exhibit.

This exhibit celebrates contemporary variations on a classic theme—the teapot. Over 50 teapots from nationally and locally recognized artists will highlight relationships between functionality and ornamentation, while examining the playful and imaginative ways crafted objects tell a story.

Learn about the history of the teapot before attending the High Tea later in the month in a special presentation for AAUW B-C by an expert in the field.

Sign up at the February branch meeting or contact Mary LaRuffa (marylaruffa0@gmail.com) or Susan Heigel (sheigel@charter.net).

TEA AROUND THE WORLD

The Hearth Room, Lamp and Lantern Village

Thursday, March 31, 3–5 p.m. **COST: \$27**

*You are invited to High Tea,
 a Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch tradition.
 The three-course menu includes
 soup, a selection of four tea sandwiches,
 pastries, scones, and a choice of steeped tea
 with each course.*

Support Dollars for Scholars by signing up at an
 upcoming branch meeting or contact Mary LaRuffa
 (marylaruffa0@gmail.com) or Susan Heigel
 (sheigel@charter.net).



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.

BRIDGE GROUPS for February

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



BASIC BRIDGE & BEYOND 9:30 a.m. Hearth Room
3rd Thursday, 2/18: Contact Nancy Hughes

BRIDGE BUDDIES noon Location TBD
2nd Wednesday, 2/10: Susan Haynes
4th Wednesday, 2/24: Susie Teicher

BRIDGE FRIENDS 10 a.m. Hearth Room
3rd Thursday, 2/18: Linda Magre

BRIDGE I 10:30 a.m. Hearth Room
1st Wednesday, 2/3: Contact Janet Ludewig

BRIDGE II 10:30 a.m. Location TBD
3rd Tuesday, 2/16: Diana Hauser

BRIDGE III 10 a.m. Hearth Room
4th Wednesday, 2/24: Jean Wagner

BRIDGE IV 9:30 a.m. Kaldi's
1st Tuesday, 2/2: Erlaine Eltomi

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

BRIDGE VI 10 a.m. Hearth Room
3rd Monday, 2/15: Nancy Russell

DUPLICATE BRIDGE I 9:50 a.m.
1st Tuesday, 2/2: Jean Wagner

DUPLICATE BRIDGE II 9:45 a.m. Hearth Room
4th Tuesday, 2/23: Alice Crippen

BEGINNERS' DUPLICATE 10:15 a.m. Hearth Room
4th Tuesday, 2/23: Barbara Jowett

GENEALOGY Monday, February 15 10 a.m.–noon
Meet at Pickett Lema's home (address in *Directory*)

Pat White will facilitate the discussion "On what ship did my family travel to reach the colonies/ United States?"
Contact Fran Reiland (fgreiland@me.com) or (fgreiland@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

EXPRESSIONS 1st Tuesday, 1–3 p.m.

***NOTE new meeting place:** Holy Cross Lutheran Church
13014 Olive Blvd., Creve Coeur, 63141
February 2: Blankets for Newborns

Please join us as we make blankets to send to a clinic servicing the poor in Tocoa, Honduras. When donated blankets are gone, babies are wrapped in newspaper and given to the new mother. We can help, and it is very easy.

Materials

- 1 yard of lightweight fleece or flannel with a baby design or solid color
- Sharp scissors
- 1 skein of yarn to sew a border around the edges (a coordinating or matching color is fine)
- Large tapestry needle (Extra needles will be available)

This project is the one we were doing for January, but because of flooding issues, our room was not available at the bank. Contact Rosann Swaringim (rosannms@charter.net), if you have any questions.

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

MOVIE GROUP 4th Thursday, 10 a.m.

Thursday, January 28: Marian Bauer
(marianbauer@sbcglobal.net)

January movies are *Carol*, *Joy*, *The Big Short*, *Revenant*, *45 Years*, and *Concussion*.

February 25: Erlaine Eltomi (erlaine.eltomi@att.net)
For more information about this group, contact
Doris Nistler (dnistler14@att.net) or Mersine Kallaos
(mkallaos@prodigy.net).

GREAT DECISIONS Coming in March and April Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Road Thursdays at noon

Global challenges have increasingly become domestic challenges, with events around the world affecting our lives in myriad ways. *Great Decisions* is a series of free lectures by experts speaking on a current topic until 1 p.m. After the lectures, Roz Marx, representing AAUW B-C, will present the topic's DVD with group discussion until about 1:45 p.m. The sessions include coffee, tea, pastries, and an optional \$20 *Great Decisions* topics book (available for purchase).

The 2016 topics are *Mideast Alliances*, *Islamic State*, *The Kurds*, *Migration*, *The Koreans*, *United Nations*, *Cuba and the US*, and *Climate Change*. Watch for dates, speakers, and more info in the March *Branching Out* newsletter.

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

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 2/18 9:30 a.m.

Hostess, Alice Crippen (jccripp@sbcglobal.net)
A discussion of *Euphoria* by Lily King will be led by Sande Mawhinney.
Contact Alice Crippen (jccripp@sbcglobal.net).

LITERATURE II 4th Monday, 2/22 10 a.m.

Hostess, Suzie Teicher (svteicher@gmail.com)
A discussion of *The Story of Beautiful Girl* by Rachel Simon will be led by Linda Seibert.
Contact Joyce Katz (joyka234@aol.com) or Erlaine Eltomi (erlaine.eltomi@att.net).

READING REALITY 2nd Tuesday 2/9 1 p.m.

Hostess, Teri Steinberg (teritsa@sbcglobal.net)
A discussion of *Elephant Company: The Inspiring Story of an Untold Hero and the Animals Who helped Him Save Lives in World War II* by Vicki Croke will be led by Jane Miller.
This group reads non-fiction selections. Contact Marcia Block (mhblock@sbcglobal.net).

BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB (BBC)

4th Monday 2/22 10 a.m.

Meet at Schnucks, Clarkson and Kehrs Mill Road
A discussion of *Lyndon Johnson: the American Dream* by Doris Kearns Goodwin will be led by Brenda Ernst. Please RSVP to Brenda (ernst2@charter.net).
This group discusses nonfiction, especially biographies, memoirs, and autobiographies. Contact Brenda Ernst (ernst2@charter.net).



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

February 17: BIG SKY CAFE Meet at the restaurant.
47 S Old Orchard Ave, Webster Groves, 63119

"Locally sourced, naturally raised, revitalized American favorites" is how this favorite St. Louis restaurant describes its menu, so join us and taste for yourself while enjoying stimulating conversation.

Call (314-608-7447) or email Harriett Hirschfeld (hhirschfe@aol.com) with your reservation. You also may sign up at the February branch meeting.

*All members and friends
are welcome.*

1/28 Movie Group, 10 a.m.

FEBRUARY



- 2 Bridge IV, 9:30 a.m.; Duplicate Bridge I, 9:50 a.m.; Expressions, 1 p.m.
- 3 Bridge I, 10:30 a.m.
- 4 Board of Directors Meeting, 9:30 a.m.; March *Directory* Supplement information due
- 9 Bridge V, 9:30 a.m.; International Relations, 10:45 a.m.; Reading Reality, 1 p.m.
- 10 Bridge Buddies, noon
- 11 Branch Meeting, 8:45 a.m. – Book Collection Continues; LAF Individual Giving
- 15 Bridge VI, 10 a.m.; Genealogy, 10 a.m.; Play Readers, 12:30 p.m.
- 16 Bridge II, 10:30 a.m.; IBC Lunch, 11:45 a.m.
- 17 Out to Lunch, 11:30 a.m.
- 18 B/Bridge&Beyond, 9:30 a.m.; Lit I 9:30 a.m.; Bridge Friends, 10 a.m.
- 22 Lit II, 10 a.m.; Bio Book Club, 10 a.m.
- 23 Duplicate II, 9:45 a.m.; Beginning Duplicate, 10:15 a.m.
- 25 Movie Group, 10 a.m.; \$\$ Kaldi's Coffee Tour, 10 a.m.; ¡ADELANTE!, 1:30 p.m.
- 24 Bridge III, 10 a.m.; Bridge Buddies, noon
- 27 Legislative Action Forum, 10 a.m.

Coming in March

Great Decisions sessions meet on Thursdays.

- 4 Tea Pot Exhibit
- 12 IBC Spring Fling
- 18 Named Gift Nominations Due
- 31 Tea Around The World Dollars for Scholars High Tea

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

February 15:

Hostess, Suzanne Couch (couchsuzanne749@gmail.com)
For more information, check with Julie Triplett (julietrip@att.net).

SATURDAY NIGHT SINGLES

This group is open to widows, divorcees, and never-marrieds who would like a Saturday night out while enjoying each other's company.

If you have a suggestion for an activity or special outing, please contact Donna Ross (victorianwhodunit@att.net) with your idea.