



Branching Out

AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield (MO) Branch

National and State Award-Winning Branch

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Ballwin-Chesterfield board/branch meetings are cancelled when the Parkway or Rockwood districts have an inclement weather closing.



Sandra Murdock

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

AAUW B-C, we can look forward to the greening of March as nature leaves winter behind and brings spring and the blooming of plant life. Let's enjoy this change as we do AAUW activities.

March is Women's History month. This year will be special to women's issues as they show power and continue with marches, voting, and Me Too campaigns. AAUW's focus on Title IX and pay equity shows support for women's rights.

Ballwin-Chesterfield's nominating committee, chaired by Marsha Weppelman, will present the 2018 slate of officer nominees at the



Marcia Block

March branch meeting. Voting will take place at the annual meeting in April. At that time, you may make a nomination from the floor with that person's permission.

AAUW B-C plans to get on board the bus and travel to Jefferson City on April 10 for Equity Action Day. We will bring our public policy issues to the attention of our legislators and senators. Contact Karen Francis or Pat Shores for information. Public Policy Co-Directors Barbara Butchart and Eve LaJeunesse also have important facts on women's issues from AAUW. See Public Policy, page five.

Plan to attend the IBC Spring Fling luncheon on April 21 at Glen Echo Country Club. You will enjoy this afternoon program.

Our Dollars for Scholars program has many fun, educational, and wonderful activities for you to support by your participation. A special thank you to Phyllis Oakes and Janice Buckhold for coordinating these activities to raise funds for local scholarships.

AAUW B-C, enjoy the month of March and all that it brings to women.

~ Sandra Murdock, Co-President

The next board meeting will be March 1 at 9:30 a.m. All Elected and Appointed Officers should attend. Contact Sandra Murdock (SESandraM@aol.com) if you cannot attend.

MARCH BRANCH MEETING

Thursday, March 8

Trinity Lutheran Church

14088 Clayton Road at Woods Mill Rd., 63017

8:45 a.m.—Social Time & Signups

9:30 a.m.—Business Meeting

10:30 a.m.—Program 11:30 a.m.—Adjourn

DONNA L. HARPER

Attorney at Law

Donna L. Harper is with the law firm of Seder, Harper, Westhoff, P.C., the firm that represented Francine Katz in her discrimination suit against Anheuser-Busch. She will speak on legal issues of employee's rights in the workplace.

Ms. Harper's legal background includes working for the Equal Opportunity Commission for more than 25 years, where she served as supervisory trial attorney and acting assistant general counsel.

HOSPITALITY

Hostesses: Yvonne Ward, Judy Green, Yvonne Morrison, Marge Anderson, Darlene Harris, Linda Roberson, Diane Correll, Jean Elliott, Marie Neville, and Pam Kulp

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The *Branching Out* newsletter is published ten times annually. The deadline for submissions to the **April newsletter is March 12**, unless otherwise specified by department co-editor. Send news items to co-editors Sandy Brody (sandybrody163@gmail.com) and Mary Jermak (maryjermak@att.net). Send DFS notices to Joan Davis (jmdavis@pstcc.edu) and send Interest Group information to Jean Light (jhl1234@charter.net).

The branch website is Ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/. Communications/Web Co-Directors Joyce Katz and Linda Roberson post announcements on Facebook at Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch of AAUW. "Like" the page to receive updates.

For membership information, contact Membership Vice-Presidents Mersine Kallaos (mkallaos@prodigy.net) and Michele Mangnall (bmmags@yahoo.com).

To submit an item to Care Notes, contact Joan Reed (j6a8r1@aol.com) or Joyce Katz (joyka234@aol.com).

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

AAUW BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD BOARD

ELECTED OFFICERS

Co-Presidents: Sandra Murdock & Marcia Block

VP-Program: Marilyn Fletcher & Sage Taber

VP-Membership: Mersine Kallaos & Michele Mangnall

Finance Officer: Pat Shores

Secretary/Archivist: Susan Fenwick

Ex-Officio Immediate Past President: Barbara McQuitty

ELECTED DIRECTORS

Educational Opportunities Fund: Marian Bauer & Judy Stagoski

Legal Advocacy Fund: Doris Nistler & Julie Triplett

Public Policy: Barbara Butchart & Eve LaJeunesse

APPOINTED DIRECTORS

Branch Development for Leadership and Operating Funds:

Suzanne Couch & Karen Francis

Communications/Web: Joyce Katz & Linda Roberson

Directory: Marilyn Beiter, Joyce Katz, & Leslie Wier

Dollars for Scholars: Janice Buckhold & Phyllis Oakes

Governance: Marsha Weppelman

Hospitality: Becky Ragan & Pat White

Newsletter Editors: Mary Jermak, Sandy Brody,
Joan Davis, & Jean Light

Special Events

Fall Brunch: Susan Fenwick, Barb McQuitty, & Linda Roberson

Spring Luncheon: Carol Anthony & Linda Kridel

STEM: Jean Elliott & Carol Greenaway

Standing committee chairs are listed in the *Directory*.

AAUW ¡ADELANTE!

4th Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Barnes and Noble

1600 Clarkson Rd., Chesterfield

March 22: *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng will be reviewed by Lorna Anderson

Please contact Julie Triplett (julietrip@att.net).

MEET and EAT GROUP, IBC

3rd Tuesday, 11:45 a.m.

March 20: Mango, 1001 Washington Ave., 63101

314-621-9993 (Peruvian/Latin)

For further information or to RSVP, contact Kay Meyer (kicmeyer51@gmail.com).

UPCOMING EVENTS

EQUITY ACTION DAY, April 10

Contact Karen Francis (karenbitzafrancis@yahoo.com) or Pat Shores (apatriciashores@att.net) for information.

AAUW MO ANNUAL MEETING, May 4 & 5

Meet New AAUW CEO Kim Churches

Holiday Inn Executive Center, Columbia, MO

Friday, Reception for CEO Kim Churches

Saturday, A Call to Action—Churches

Taking the LEAD Workshops

Panel Discussion—Young Women's Perspectives

Social Media 101

Early Bird Registration and Hotel reservations by April 15.

Go to <https://aauw-mo.aauw.net/files/2018/02/2018-leadership-conf-flyer.pdf> for your registration form and see complete event information.

MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2018–19

The AAUW year begins anew on July 1, 2018, thus your current membership expires on June 30. As you know, the AAUW Board of Directors voted to increase the national annual membership dues from \$49 to \$59 in 2018–19. AAUW MO dues are \$10 and Ballwin-Chesterfield branch dues are \$22, which totals \$91 for the upcoming year. Fifty-six dollars of the national dues is tax deductible.

The preferred method to renew is online. B-C members should watch for a personalized renewal email on March 16 from memberinfo@aauw.org. Simply open the message and click on "click here to renew". With one click, pay dues with your credit card. It's simple, safe, and efficient. The alternate method is to send your \$91 check to Pat Shores. Write your check to AAUW; do not put B-C on the memo line.

The Finance Officer and the Membership VPs are offering an early dues payment incentive. Dues renewal begins on March 16 and members who renew from March 16–April 30 will get three chances to win a \$25 gift card to Panera. Members who renew from May 1–May 31 will get two chances to win the \$25 Panera gift card. Members who renew from June 1–June 30 will have one chance to win the \$25 gift card.

Finance Officer Pat Shores will be available to discuss the dues renewal opportunities at every branch meeting.

Introducing Our Newest Member

Please welcome her
to the Ballwin-Chesterfield branch!

Genevieve Gibson-Newman O'Fallon, MO
Email: ggN2013@outlook.com

Genevieve holds multiple degrees, including a bachelor's degree from LSU/Southern University, a master's degree from Missouri State University and a doctorate from St. Louis University. She is a former teacher and administrator with experience in curriculum development.

Genevieve's many interests include theater, the symphony, advocacy, mentoring and STEM education. She was introduced to AAUW by Karen Francis.

~ Michele Mangnall & Mersine Kallaos, VP-Membership

NAMED GIFT HONOREE NOMINATIONS

The Branch Honoree Committee, Barb McQuitty, Michele Mangnall, Phyllis Oakes, and Judy Stagoski, invites members to submit their nominations for Named Gift Honoree recognition. In addition to Named Gift Honorees, one or more members may be selected as the "Outstanding Branch Member".

Named Gift Honoree nominees shall be considered on the basis of their service, leadership, and significant commitment to the AAUW mission and the branch. One individual may be chosen for each \$500 the AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield Affiliate (branch) has contributed to AAUW. There are so many wonderful members qualified for this honor.

Nomination forms are available on the home page, where there is a button for your use ([Ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/](https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/).) Nominations must be received by the March branch meeting on March 8. Those members chosen by the committee will be recognized at the May Spring Luncheon.

Please submit nominations to Branch Honoree Committee Chair Barbara McQuitty (bmcquitty841@gmail.com), or you may send them to Barb via postal mail.

2018 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS LECTURE SERIES

2nd Tuesday, January through April at 10:30 a.m.
The Ethical Society
9001 Clayton Road, St. Louis, 63117

AAUW B-C joins with TWA (Tuesday Women's Association of the Ethical Society) to present four free lectures to the community on aspects of international relations. Gather at 10 a.m. for coffee and social time. Attendees are invited to bring a bag lunch and stay afterwards to further discuss the topic.

March 13, Human Trafficking: An International Problem

Whitney Howland has worked as the Human Trafficking Victim Services Social Worker at the International Institute of St. Louis since 2016. In this role, she provides intensive case management to clients and screens potential victims of trafficking, and also provides technical assistance and training to service providers. Currently she acts as the agency's liaison to the Federal District of Eastern Missouri's Human Trafficking Task Force, and she organizes the St. Louis Rescue and Restore Coalition.

April 10, The Assault on Global Democracy

In case of inclement weather, please call 314-991-0995 x 224. Please note that the driveway is heated.

IBC Spring Fling Luncheon

Reservation: \$35
Saturday, April 21 at 11:30 a.m.
Glen Echo Country Club,
Normandy, MO

The Program: The principals of the Miss Jubilee group, powerhouse soloist Valerie Kirchoff, and her renowned pianist Ethan Leinwand will play an energetic blend of Hot Jazz, Hokum and Low-Down Blues from the 1920's-30's.

The Menu: Chicken piccata with seasonal vegetables, and garlic roasted fingerling potatoes (or) pasta con broccoli with house salad. Guests are welcome.

Forms to reserve are on the Ballwin-Chesterfield website
(<https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/>.)
Click on the button for Forms and Flyers.

Join AAUW branch members from around the St. Louis area to celebrate the Barbara Lackriz award recipient.

STEM REPORT

Many STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) activities will be occurring during the spring months. The Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) conference will take place Monday, March 12 at St. Louis Community College, Meramec Campus. Over 500 girls from area schools will be involved in hands-on science experiences, with the goal of generating interest in STEM careers. Ballwin-Chesterfield is again sponsoring 20 middle school girls from the Collegiate School of Medicine and Bioscience in St. Louis. Adult volunteers are needed to assist that morning. Please contact Marcia Block if you are interested.

Every April AAUW B-C STEM committee members, Sandra Murdock, Marcia Block, and Jean Elliott judge the Honors Division of the St. Louis Science Fair. Two young women are chosen for recognition of their projects which in some way relate to the mission of AAUW. A certificate and monetary award are given to each girl.

In April, AAUW B-C will again honor five junior girls from Valley Park High School and five from Maplewood Richmond Heights High School as part of our STEM Girls of Promise program. Each girl will receive a certificate, medallion, cash award, and a copy of the *Why So Few?* research report published by AAUW. Ballwin-Chesterfield members provide a breakfast and welcome the girls, their parents, and teachers in a short program.

The Maplewood Richmond Heights breakfast date is Wednesday, April 11. The Valley Park breakfast is scheduled for Friday, April 27. More information will follow, but we will need branch members to help out. We hope many of you will be able to join us at these events.

~ Jean Elliott & Carol Greenaway, STEM Co-Directors

AAUW & STEM



The STEM fields are rapidly becoming the most in-demand and lucrative in the world. However, at almost every step of the STEM education path, women and girls walk away. By middle school many girls are ambivalent toward these fields, and by the end of high school fewer girls than boys plan to pursue STEM studies in college. Women who do graduate with a STEM degree enter a workforce that is historically unfriendly to them. Stereotypes, gender bias, and the hostile climate of academic departments and workplaces continue to block women's participation and advancement.

The road ahead is long, but already we're seeing progress. Change is possible for women and girls through our proven resources, and we will continue to push for gender equity in STEM.



AAUW B-C Annual Spring Luncheon Celebrating New Heights

Thursday, May 10, Whitmoor Country Club
11:15 a.m. Social / Noon Lunch
Reservations: \$26 by check only



The Ballwin-Chesterfield branch extends an invitation to all members to attend the Spring Luncheon. We want to celebrate all of the year's achievements, the Named Gift Honoree recipients, and the installation of the 2018-20 officers. **There will be attendance prizes this year!**

Reservations may be made at the March and April branch meetings. You may also reserve your place at the luncheon by sending a check made payable to AAUW B-C to Carol Derington. Cancellations after May 1 are not refundable.

Table selection and seating arrangements are to be made at the time you make payment for your reservation. Please remember to include any guests when making your reservation. Also, please let us know of any special dietary needs you may have.

Whitmoor does not have valet service. However, the parking lot is flat, and there is a covered drop-off entrance. Greeters will be at the door to assist you.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Carol Anthony or Linda Kridel, Spring Luncheon Co-Directors.

2018–20 OFFICER NOMINEES

The Nominating Committee consisting of Bette Bude, Leslie Wier, and Chair Marsha Weppelman wish to thank all who encouraged members to take on leadership positions, and then sent in nomination forms. Special thanks goes to those who have stepped up and agreed to serve our branch in one of these offices:

Co-President, Jean Elliott
VP-Program, Mary Jermak
VP-President Membership, Angela Janik
Secretary-Archivist, Sue Lancaster

The slate of officers will be announced at the March branch meeting. The April *Branching Out* newsletter will feature nominee biographies and photos. Voting will occur at the annual meeting in April. Nominations can be made from the floor at the time of the elections with the consent of the nominee.

LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND

What Should You Do?

What Advice Should You Give?

Sexual harassment has been a major topic in the news recently. If you, or someone you know, think their rights were violated at work or at school, what steps should be taken? AAUW cannot give legal advice or provide referrals to attorneys; however, here are some guidelines to keep in mind:

How much time do you have to find a lawyer? Under Title VII you generally have 180 days to file a lawsuit, so act in a timely manner but find out what time restraints may apply in your specific case. Contact your local bar association or a legal aid organization.

Do I really need a lawyer? AAUW's resources *Know Your Rights at Work* (aauw.org/what-we-do/legal-resources/know-your-rights-at-work/) and *Know Your Rights on Campus* (aauw.org/what-we-do/legal-resources/know-your-rights-on-campus/) offer basic information about your rights under federal law. Check with your local bar association or legal aid society, as state laws vary. Also, check non-profit hotlines that offer guidance and referrals.

What questions should I ask? Some of the basics are as follows: what are my options; does my case have merit; what do you charge; what risks are involved; what relief can I likely expect; have you handled similar cases; if you can't take my case, can you provide a suitable referral?

What can AAUW do to help? AAUW does not provide legal representation. LAF does provide case support funding for people challenging gender discrimination or harassment in the workplace or in educational fields. Go to aauw.org/what-we-do/legal-resources/strategic-case-support/.

~ **Erlaine Eltomi**, LAF Committee

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND

At the February meeting, B-C members had the pleasure of hearing a brief talk from the branch's scholarship awardee, Jaimie Tallir. Jaimie will graduate from Maryville University in May, 2018, with a degree in nursing. She shared highlights of her educational journey, bridging from her nursing associate's degree to completion of a four-year program. She concluded with sincere thanks to Ballwin-Chesterfield members for the scholarship.

Shima Rostami, a Ballwin-Chesterfield branch member, is the recipient of the IBC scholarship to attend the NCCWSL Convention (National Council for College Women Student Leaders) which will take place May 30–June 2, 2018, at the University of Maryland. Congratulations, Shima.

The monthly book sale continues to be successful. To date we have taken in \$729.75. Sales will continue only through April, and we hope to reach \$1000, which would provide another scholarship. So buy, read, return, repeat. As always, EOF thanks you for your support of Dollars for Scholars events. They are what make educational assistance for non-traditional women students a reality.

~ **Marian Bauer & Judy Stagoski**, Co-Directors, EOF

PUBLIC POLICY

"Women's economic security is impacted not only by the pay gap, but by other laws." The 25th anniversary of the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) was February 5. FMLA is the only national law that guarantees eligible employees time away from work when they have a new child, face a serious health condition, or need to care for an ill family member.

FMLA passage was a significant initial step and an AAUW Action Fund Lobby Corps victory, yet it continues to remain out of reach for many workers. The law does not cover approximately 40 percent of employees. Those workers who are covered by FMLA can't always take advantage of it because **unpaid** leave means going without much needed income. When people have to choose between being there for their loved ones or their jobs, our families, communities, and economy are adversely affected. It is time to fulfill the promise of FMLA by enacting a strong nationwide paid family and medical leave policy. Contact your legislators and urge them to pass the Family and Medical Insurance Leave (FAMILY) Act today.

Ballwin-Chesterfield members are invited to join the "email chain" and to write their legislators once a week to raise consciousness about the gender pay gap in Missouri. Contact Joyce Katz (joyka123@aol.com) to participate in the email chain.

1. You will be assisted in finding your legislators' email address.
2. Each week a sample email will be sent to you. Save it, then copy and paste it into an email to your legislator.

~ **Eve LaJeunesse & Barbara Butchart**,
Co-Directors Public Policy

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 and educational experiences, and introduce AAUW to non-members.

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

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

~ Janice Buckhold (jbuckhold@charter.net) and Phyllis Oakes (phylanddave@peoplepc.com),
Dollars for Scholars Co-Directors



Don't miss out on any of the fun! Be sure to bring enough checks to each meeting, so that you are able to sign up for several events. Each event requires its own check.

USED BOOK SALE CONTINUES in 2018. DONATE YOUR USED BOOKS!!

Bring Donations Through April.



Collect your books, CD's, DVD's, and puzzles and bring them to branch meetings. Members of the EOF committee will then sell items before the meetings, at the break, and after the meetings. The remainders will be sold to local used bookstores. All money funds Dollars for Scholars.

Have friends who are readers? Invite them to drop by, browse the book sale, and then stay for the meeting. It's a great way to find new reading material AND learn about AAUW!

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

THE HAMILTON AND BROADWAY MUSICALS LUNCHEON

Wednesday, March 7, 11:30 a.m.

The Brookdale, Creve Coeur, located on Craig Road just north of Olive.

Valet parking provided at the front entrance.

Guests will enjoy an elegant luncheon menu in the spirit of "Hamilton" with music and games. Plus, we will "raise a glass to freedom" as the Revolutionary War heroes did. King George will inform us that we are his "favorite subjects".

Sponsor: Jayne Kasten (kastenc@sbcglobal.net).

COST: \$30



TOUR OF THE FABULOUS FOX THEATER

Wednesday, April 25

A private tour of the FOX Theater, in all its fabulousness, includes backstage as well! The backstage tour is a bonus since timing is critical. Productions don't allow tours behind the curtain during setup and performance dates. There is a minimum requirement of people for a private tour, so please plan to bring a friend or two! More information will follow in the weeks to come.

Sponsor: Kathy Brown (k.brown@centurylink.net)



MAGIC CHEF MANSION TOUR

Friday April 27, 10:30 a.m.



This magnificent 12,000 square foot mansion filled with beautiful antiques is also known as the Stockstrom House for the family who built it and lived there from 1908 to 1990. Stockstrom co-owned the Magic Chef Company, the largest stove maker in the world at one time.

A minimum of 15 attendees is needed in order to assure the lowest cost, so the more the merrier. More information will be provided in the weeks ahead.

Sponsor: Pam Kulp (kulpp10@gmail.com)

LEARNING TO SEE: A PHOTO WALK IN THE PARK

COST: \$12

Thursday, May 24, 1 p.m.

Longview Farm Park, 135255 Clayton Road (no carpool)

Learn more about taking great pictures in a natural setting. Bring your camera or cell phone, and meet in the pavilion near the lower parking lot for a short tutorial with lots of helpful hints. Then spread out through the park to take some shots, applying what you have learned. Meet back at the pavilion in an hour to compare notes.

Sign up at the March or April branch meeting. Registration will be limited to 20 participants.

Your check will reserve your spot. **Contact Susan Fenwick (susanfenwick3@icloud.com).**



SUNKEN CITIES: EGYPT'S LOST WORLD

COST: \$15 for SLAM members

Thursday, May 31, 10:30 a.m.

\$30 for non-SLAM members

St. Louis Art Museum Carpool from Trinity, 9:45 a.m.

St. Louis Art Museum, Fine Arts Drive

EPIC STORY, SUBMERGED TREASURES REVEALED, COLOSSAL SCULPTURES, PRECIOUS GOLD. Don't miss your chance to be one of the first in North America to see this exciting exhibit. Art Docent Clare Richardson will lead our personal tour through this extensive, world-class exhibit.

SLAM members: the exhibit is free with \$15 going to DFS. Please bring your membership card when registering at the branch meeting.

Non-Art Museum Members: Please write one check for \$30. \$15 will go to DFS and \$15 for the Special Exhibit Tour, (a discounted price - if we have at least 15 attendees).



Registrations are limited – payment reserves your spot.

Sponsors: Mary Kay Wolfe (mkwolfe@hotmail.com) and Bette Bude (bettebude@outlook.com).

TICKLER LIST — As a reminder, the "Ticklers" is a list of events that are in process.

They have sponsors, with details still being finalized. Be sure to follow the Ticklers; events are added every month.

The following are the latest "Ticklers". We hope they *tickle* your fancy!

- **Second PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:** Located in the Central West End, all the stained glass windows in this St. Louis treasure were made by Tiffany. Enjoy the magnificent colors as light dances through the intricacies only a master could produce. We're fortunate to have such a treasure! Lunch in the Central West End – where to eat, where to eat??
- **GRIOT MUSEUM OF BLACK HISTORY:** Located in St. Louis and founded in 1997, it was originally named the Black World History Wax Museum. The name was changed in 2009. It hosts changing exhibits and amazing pieces of art and culture from the past.
- **WELDON SPRING INTERPRETIVE CENTER:** Located in St. Charles, the center details the history and cleanup of Weldon Spring plus has prairie views and an 8-mile trail.



A note from Phyllis and Janice:

Interested in sponsoring an event? It is sooo easy. Need an idea? We have a few or more.

Remember, spouses, friends, friends of friends, and friends of spouses are always welcome to join in the fun of DFS events. In other words, come one, come all!!

FIRST TIME SPONSORS – WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!

Branch Interest Groups are primarily social and bring members with similar interests together. Try one! Contact an Interest Group Chair today. Interest Group Chairs are listed in the front of your *Directory*. Barb Jowett coordinates all Interest Groups and can help with the information you need.

BOOK GROUPS ~ WELCOME ALL READERS

Please RSVP to the hostess by the Friday before the meeting. All addresses are listed in the branch *Directory*. Download the 2017-18 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, 9:30 a.m.

March 15: Hostess, Brenda Bussen

A discussion of *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger will be led by Doris Nistler.

Contact Alice Crippen (jccripp@sbcglobal.net).

LITERATURE II 4th Monday, 10 a.m.

March 26: Hostess, Mersine Kallaos

A discussion of *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult will be led by Julie Triplett.

Contact Joyce Katz (joyka123@aol.com) or Erlaine Eltomi (erlaine.eltomi@att.net).

READING REALITY 2nd Tuesday, 1 p.m.

March 13: Hostess, Terri Ciccolella

A discussion of *Evicted* by Matthew Desmond will be led by Linda Roberson.

This group reads non-fiction selections. For more information, contact Marcia Block (mhblock@sbcglobal.net) or Mary Kay Wolfe (mkwolfe@hotmail.com).

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

March 6: Hostess, Rosann Swaringim

The Art of Tea Bag Folding

Meet at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 13014 Olive Blvd. Creve Coeur, MO 63141

Join other members for an experience using several tea bag folding designs to decorate cards for any occasion. Tea bag folding is basically the same as origami and by using several of these designs, you can create beautiful cards. There will be several samples at the sign up area for Expressions.

Cost: \$2 which will cover the cost of card stock, origami paper, and decorative embellishments for the cards. Please bring scissors, glue, or double-face tape if you can.

RSVP to Rosann Swaringim (rosannms@charter.net) by March 1. Contact her for more information.

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

March 19: Hostess, Susie Teicher

For more information about this group, contact Julie Triplett (julietrip@att.net)

MOVIE GROUP 4th Thursday, 10 a.m.

March 22: Hostess, Eileen Lesevoy

New members welcomed.

For more information about this group, contact Doris Nistler (dnistler14@att.net) or Mersine Kallaos (mkallaos@prodigy.net).

GENEALOGY GROUP 3rd Thursday, 1 p.m.

March 15: 1-3 p.m.

Daniel Boone Library

Part 1: Foremothers: Discovering your female ancestors.

Part 2: Individual members will present their research.

RSVP to Pat White (pgwhite02@gmail.com).

For more information and upcoming events, please contact Pat White or Roz Marx (rozzzie1@yahoo.com).

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

March 21: Tuckers Place

14282 Manchester Road, Ballwin, 63011

No carpool from the church. Meet at the restaurant.

Tuckers Place is the place for steaks in St. Louis since 1982. It is known for hand-cut steaks, Lemon Pepper salad dressing and generous portions. The restaurant is located one block east of Highway 141 on the south side of Manchester Road.

All members and friends are welcome.

Please Note: You must contact Harriett Hirschfeld (Hhirschfe@aol.com) to reserve a place or cancel a reservation, or call her number listed in the *Directory*.

NOTICE: Harriet Hirschfeld and Pat Shores are looking for a member to take over the "Out to Lunch" Interest Group as they are retiring after the May 2018 meeting. Call them if you are interested.

MUNCHING MATTERS, LUNCH WITH FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Wednesday, March 14, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Walnut Grill, 1386 Clarkson Clayton Circle, Ellisville, MO 63011

The focus is on topics relating to the AAUW mission and will feature B-C members who tell stories about their lives. Susan Fenwick will discuss how a woman can succeed in a male-dominated technical field.

You MUST register to attend with Julie Triplett (julietrip@att.net). Each pays for her own lunch.

BRIDGE CALENDAR

To participate contact Barb Jowett. * See below.

BASIC BRIDGE and BEYOND

3rd Thursday, 10 a.m. Hearth Room

March 15: Susan Zerjav

BRIDGE BUDDIES 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 11 a.m.

The Shack at 14810 Clayton Rd: lunch and bridge

March 14: Kathy Skiles

March 28: Kathy Skiles

BRIDGE FRIENDS 3rd Thursday, 10 a.m.

Hearth Room: lunch and bridge

March 15: Judy Green

BRIDGE I 1st Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. Hearth Room

March 7: Contact Janet Ludewig

BRIDGE II 3rd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. Walnut Grill

March 20: Carolyn Baker

BRIDGE III 4th Wednesday 10 a.m. Hearth Room

March 28: Judy Green

BRIDGE IV 1st Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Kaldi's at Schnucks Woods Mill

March 6: Contact Sheila Kalman

BRIDGE V 2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Kaldi's at Schnucks Woods Mill

March 13: Contact Sheila Kalman

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

March 19: Chris Magilligan

DUPLICATE BRIDGE I 1st Tuesday, 9:50 a.m.

March 6: Mary Jermak

DUPLICATE BRIDGE II 4th Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Walnut Grill

March 27: Diane Correll

BEGINNERS' DUPLICATE BRIDGE 4th Tuesday,

10:15 a.m. Hearth Room

March 27: Nancy Hughes

***Note:** You may wish to directly contact the bridge chair of the group that interests you. Some groups need players and subs. Bridge chairs are listed on page 10 of the *Directory*.

GOLF Golf season is almost here! Join us!

Every Monday April through October

If you are interested in playing golf, contact Bev Wait (wait89@aol.com) or Elaine Frost (elfrost7@charter.net).

MARCH ACTIVITIES CALENDAR



01 Board Meeting 9:30 a.m.

06 Expressions 1 p.m.

07 \$\$ Hamilton & Broadway Musicals Lunch 11:30 a.m.

08 Branch Meeting & EOF \$\$Book Sale 8:45 a.m.

Named Gift Nominations Due

13 International Relations 10:30 a.m.;

Reading Reality 1 p.m.

14 Munching Matters 11 a.m.

15 Literature I 9:30 a.m.;

Genealogy 1 p.m.

16 AAUW membership renewal begins

19 Play Readers 12:30 p.m.

20 Meet and Greet Group/IBC Lunch 11:45 a.m.

21 Out to Lunch 11:30 a.m.

22 Movie Group 10 a.m.;

¡Adelante! 1:30 p.m.

26 Literature II 10 a.m.

COMING IN APRIL

02 Golf begins and continues each Monday in season

10 Equity Action Day

21 IBC Spring Fling Luncheon 11 a.m.

25 \$\$ Tour of the Fabulous Fox Theater

27 \$\$ Magic Chef Mansion Tour

