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## **AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield (MO) Branch**

National and AAUW MO Award-Winning Branch

## Branching Out

https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/

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

We've moved our meetings to 333 Holloway Road, the Ballwin Golf Clubhouse.

#### **AAUW B-C Summer Picnic**

Thursday, July 14, 2022, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Ballwin Golf Course and Event Center 333 Holloway Rd., Ballwin, MO 63011



Please join us for an opportunity to get to know our members better at the indoor summer picnic. Note the new location. Bring a salad with a serving utensil or a sliced sub-type sandwich or wrap. Drinks and pre-cut desserts will be provided. Come and have a great time.

Please respond that you are coming to the picnic by contacting Joan Hewitt or Jane Hemer.

We want to thank those who volunteered to serve on the picnic's planning committee and will be setting up the picnic and taking it down.

~ Hospitality Co-chairs Joan Hewitt and Jane Hemer

#### Presidents' Corner



**Sandy Brody** 

Greetings to everyone! The 2022–23 year will begin with the Summer Picnic in our new meeting place, the Ballwin Golf Club House at 333 Holloway Road. Holloway Road is accessible from either Manchester or Clayton Road, where it becomes Baxter. See the program article above.

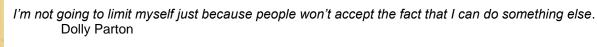
AAUW National will host a free program for high-school girls this summer, aimed at encouraging students to pursue studies and careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). These virtual summer sessions seek to pave the way for students' success in college and beyond. Taking place from June 1–20, *AAUW STEMEd for Girls* will feature sessions for girls, each focusing on a main STEM subject. It will also include programming for parents and caregivers.

www.aauw.org/resources/news/media/press-releases/aauw-to-offer-free-virtual-stem-program-for-high-school-girls/

There are more reasons to celebrate this summer. June is Pride Month and marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Title IX. AAUW supports efforts to assure that human and civil rights are secured. The AAUW website states, "No one should be denied the full range of civil rights and liberties due to their sexual orientation or gender identity." See <a href="mailto:aauw.org">aauw.org</a> for more information.

It is an exciting time to belong to AAUW B-C as we work together to keep the rights of women and girls in the forefront of government policy. You can be involved by attending the Summer Picnic, reading the newsletter, and raising your hand as a volunteer when help is needed. Together we can accomplish so much more to secure the future for women and girls.

~ Co-president Sandy Brody



The next board meeting will September 1 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ballwin Golf Club House 333 Holloway Road. All elected and appointed directors are expected to attend.

Please contact Sage Taber if you are unable to attend.

Sage Taber

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## AAUW MO 100th Anniversary Celebration and Conference





Ballwin-Chesterfield member Karen Francis was installed as incoming AAUW MO president, effective July 1, 2022.



Ballwin-Chesterfield members at AAUW MO conference: front row I-r, Pat Shores, Kay Meyer, Mary Jermak, Karen Frances, Suzanne Couch. Second row I-r, Carol Davis McDonald, Sue Barley, Mable Davis, Marian Bauer, Pam Kulp, Sandra Murdock, Jeanne Webdell.



Ballwin-Chesterfield Earns 10 Star Award Suzanne Couch, L, and Marian Bauer, R, accept award from AAUW MO President Sue Shineman.

B-C member Deborah McWard was named Outstanding AAUW MO Member at AAUW MO conference, May 6, 2022.



You may read about Debbie's many contributions to AAUW and to her community at <u>aauw-mo.aauw.net/connect/mim/</u> on page 3.



Ballwin-Chesterfield Display Board highlights Branch programs and events.

## Annual Dues: Renew by June 30.

2022–23 dues are \$67 for national, \$10 for state and \$22 for Ballwin-Chesterfield for a total of \$99. The preferred payment method is by credit card through your Personal Snapshot in the Community Hub.

This is what you can do now.

- 1. Log yourself into the Community Hub.
  - a. This is very important because this ensures that your personal information is correct and helps build the roster for our branch.
  - b. If you need help, contact Pat Shores or Judy Stagoski. Email addresses and phone numbers are in the Directory
  - c. After you are logged in you can pay your dues by credit card.
- 2. If you are having difficulty logging in to the Community Hub you can send your dues check to Pat Shores to process. Her mailing address is in the Directory.
- 3. Thank you to all members who have tried repeatedly to enter their information into the Community Hub. Pat Shores has had three conversations with a national representative about our struggles to enter information. The national representative states that we will work on it until the problem is resolved.
- 4. Here are some things that members have discovered must happen while logging on to the Community Hub.
  - a. The first entry is your email address.
  - b. The second entry is a password. You MUST create a new password that contains at least 8 characters. One capital letter, some small letters and numbers. Then wait one to ten minutes to get an email back from national that says they got the password. Write your password down. You will need it to enter the Hub every time.
  - c. In the College/University section you must have something in the month and day parts. (I knew my graduation years and made up 8/1 for each month and date, Pat)
    - ~ Finance Officer Pat Shores and Membership VP Judy Stagoski, 2022 officers

## **Directory**

Work has begun on the 2022–23 Directory to be distributed in the fall. If you have any changes in your personal information, please let us know as soon as possible. If you oversee an interest group and there are changes in your group information, please let us know. If you are tired of seeing your old photo from years ago in the directory, you may provide a new photo. Please check your email from time to time, as we may need more information about a committee and might be contacting you.

Once again, all members will receive a digital copy of the Directory that may be loaded on to your phone, tablet, or laptop. If that is sufficient for your needs, you have no need to contact us about it. If you feel the need for a printed copy of the Directory, you must let us know so we can have one printed for you. We have no preference—we don't want to waste paper and funds on printed directories that are not wanted.

Contact us via the cell phone numbers or email addresses listed in this year's Directory. Email messages are preferred as then we have a record of your requests and changes needed.

~ Directory Co-directors Barbara Kellams and Ann Patrice O'Shaughnessy

#### **AAUW Fund**

AAUW Fund is one way that we financially support AAUW. Member donations to AAUW FUND are unrestricted which allows AAUW to respond rapidly in communications and advocacy on critical issues affecting women. AAUW FUND donations allow AAUW to pivot on the national dialogue, share our work nationally, and fuel AAUW's groundbreaking research. Research projects in 2021 included: *The Simple Truth*; *Systemic Racism and the Pay Gap*; *AAUW Survey: NYC Women and the Pandemic* and *Women's Power Gap Initiative: Diversity Lacking in College Leadership*. In the future, we'll share specific steps you can take as an AAUW member to advance equity for women and girls.

~ AAUW Fund Co-directors Karen Francis and Suzanne Couch

## Spring Luncheon at Whitmoor Country Club May 12, 2022



Joyce Katz, Barbara Lackritz Award Recipient

More than 70 AAUW B-C members turned out on May 12 to enjoy our 2022 Spring Luncheon, *Making a Difference—Step by Step.* Following a lively social hour, attendees enjoyed a delicious luncheon prepared and served by the Whitmoor staff.

The co-presidents' program followed and included recognition of Joyce Katz as the branch's 2022 Barbara Lackritz Award recipient. Jean Elliott led the installation of officers for the upcoming year.



Mable Davis, AAUW MO Facebook Editor



Jan Horner, Jayne Kasten



Barbara Kellams, Michele Mangnall



Suzanne Couch, Marian Bauer, Arlene Spector

#### **AAUW Fund**

Thanks, and congratulations to Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch for the generous 2021 contribution of over \$13,000 to the AAUW Fund.

June 23, 2022, was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of Title IX. This landmark decision has improved women's opportunities in education, sports, employment, and ability to fight sexual discrimination.

By October 1972, AAUW had gathered representatives of 12 national educational organizations to write a joint statement on gender equity and their recommendations for implementing Title IX. AAUW continues to keep Title IX in the forefront of its work.

Member contributions to the AAUW Fund greatly increase AAUW's ability to promote equity for women and girls.

~ AAUW Fund Co-director Marian Bauer, 2020–22

## Save the Date for Upcoming Events

Missouri Women's Network Equality Day Brunch August 20, Registration Deadline August 15, 2022 Clayton Plaza Hotel, 7750 Carondelet, Clayton MO Park free in the hotel garage.

Registration at 9:30 a.m., conference at 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Make checks payable to Missouri Women's Network and send to Carol Davis McDonald (see Directory for mailing address). Contact davis-mcdonald@outlook.com or sbreeze@mindspring.com

Fall Brunch
September 8
Ballwin Golf Club House
333 Holloway Road, Ballwin 63011

AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield will welcome members and prospective members to kick off another year of outstanding opportunities and accomplishments at its annual Fall Brunch.



#### **Dollars for Scholars Events**

DFS member-planned events fund tuition support for local non-traditional women students who are at least ten years post-high school. DFS small group events are open to members and guests, provide enriching experiences, and introduce AAUW to non-members.

Write DFS donation checks to AAUW B-C and send to Finance Officer Jean Light. DFS donations are not tax-deductible. DFS events are also listed in the Friday Reminder and on the branch website. Contact Co-Directors Betty Jo Hogan and Nancy Pierson for more information or to plan an event.

ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/dollars-for-scholars-fundraisers/

## The AAUW Honor Roll

In Honor of Michele Mangnall for her birthday

In honor of Barb Butchart who makes our Canasta Fridays possible.
Thank you for all your efforts in making the Fridays fun with good company, delicious lunches, and candy treats - a gathering to enjoy.

Members celebrate a friend's or family member's special achievement, milestone, birthday, or another significant event by donating to the DFS Honor Roll. The honoree receives an acknowledgement postcard, seen at right, and their name is listed in the *Branching Out* newsletter.

Please mail your check to Finance Officer Jean Light (with Honor Roll on memo line) and email Nancy Pierson the name and address of honoree. To donate in memory of a loved one, email Nancy name/address to whom acknowledgment postcard may be sent.

A donation to the AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield

Dollars for Scholars Fund has been

made in honor of



This donation will further AAUW's mission to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.



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Dollars for Scholars Chairs, Nancy Pierson and Betty Jo Hogan encourage you to sponsor a DFS event and/or participate in the DFS Honor Roll program. There were eight DFS events and over 40 Honor Roll contributions last year. We challenge you to exceed those numbers this year! Reach out to Nancy or Betty Jo with questions or idea requests.

## Branch Interest Groups are primarily social and bring members with similar interests together.

Try one! Contact an Interest Group Chair. Read about branch Interest Groups at <a href="https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/interest-groups/">https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/interest-groups/</a> or the front of your Directory.

## **Book Groups Welcome All Readers**

Download the 2022-23 book lists at <a href="https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/interest-groups/">https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/interest-groups/</a>

Literature I 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 9:30 a.m. Will resume in September.

Contact Alice Crippen (jccripp@sbcglobal.net)

Literature II 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 11 a.m.

July 25 – Yaya's

Annual Book Selection Luncheon

Details will be emailed to group members.

August 22 - Hearth Room

Book TBA at July meeting Contact Joyce Katz or Erlaine Eltomi.

Reading Reality 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.

July 12 A Little Devil in America by Hanif Abdurraqub

Hostess: Jane Miller Reviewer: Bette Bude

August 9 The Hare with Amber Eyes: A Hidden

Inheritance by Edmund De Waal **Hostess & Reviewer**: Mary Kay Wolfe

Contact Marcia Block or Mary Kay Wolfe.

AAUW ¡Adelante! 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 1:30 p.m. July 28 & August 25

**Book:** TBA To join ¡Adelante! via Zoom, contact

Deb McWard or Teri Brecht.

aauw.org/resource/adelante-book-of-the-month-club/.

## **Bridge Calendar**

If you would like to play bridge, contact the chairperson of the group of interest. Some groups need players and subs.

Social Bridge 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 10 a.m. July 18 & August 15
Contact Mary Pinney

Duplicate Bridge I 1<sup>st</sup>Tuesday, 11 a.m. July 5 & August 2

Contact Chris Magilligan or Elaine Frost

Duplicate Bridge II 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 11 a.m. July 26 & August 23

Contact Alice Crippen or Elaine Frost

#### Golf

Meets every Monday in July and August. Contact Bey Wait or Elaine Frost.

## Out to Lunch 3rd Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.

**July 20** Syberg's 17416 Chesterfield Airport Road Chesterfield, MO 63005

#### August 17

Mai Lee, 8396 Musick Memorial Drive Brentwood, MO 63144 For more information or to RSVP, contact Jean Light or Teri Steinberg.

## **Expressions**

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 1 p.m. Holy Cross Lutheran Church Next meeting: September 6 at 1 p.m.

The project will be beaded lanyards for name tags. Supply cost is \$2. Contact Nance Roth or Pat White.

## **Additional Interest Groups**

## **Genealogy Group**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 1 p.m.

See St. Louis County Library free access to Ancestry.com. Contact Roz Marx.

# Munching Matters Lunch with Food for Thought

Wednesday meetings at 11 a.m.
Will resume in Fall 2022.
Mersine Kallaos and Judy Stagoski, Coordinators

## **Movie Group**

4th Thursday, 11 a.m.

**Will resume in Fall 2022.** For more information, contact Mersine Kallaos and Ann Riley.

## **Play Readers**

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 12:30 p.m.

Members will be contacted with meeting details. Contact Marilyn Fletcher.

## **Events Calendar and Branch Information**

#### **Annual Dues Renewal June 30**

## July

3 Golden Lane Marker Installation, Schlafly Tap Room 2 p.m.

12 Reading Reality 1 p.m.

14 Summer Picnic 11 a.m.

20 Out to Lunch 11:30 a.m.

25 Lit II Annual Book Selection Luncheon 11 a.m.

28 ¡Adelante! 1:30 p.m.

## **August**

09 Reading Reality 1 p.m.

15 Deadline for September newsletter submissions

17 Out to Lunch 11:30 a.m.

20 Equality Day 103rd Anniversary in St. Louis

22 Literature II 10 a.m.

25 ¡Adelante! 1:30 p.m.

Save the Date: Fall Brunch September 8, 2022

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New Members Welcome
<a href="https://www.aauw.org/resources/member/why-join/">www.aauw.org/resources/member/why-join/</a>
AAUW has been transforming women's lives for more than a century.

Contact branch officers through <a href="https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/contact-us/">https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/contact-us/</a> or through the AAUW B-C Directory.

To join the AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield (MO) Branch, contact Membership Vice-Presidents Michelle Mangnall and April Walgren. Annual dues for 2022–23 are \$99. \$22 to the B-C branch, \$10 to AAUW MO, and \$67 to AAUW national; \$64 of national dues are tax-deductible

#### Meetings:

The B-C board meets at 9:30 a.m. September–
November and February–May at the Ballwin Golf
Course Events Facility. All elected and appointed
officers are expected to attend board meetings.
The general membership meeting, also at the Ballwin
Golf Course Events Facility, is held the second
Thursday of the month from 9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. from
September–April with an indoor Summer Picnic in July.

The *Branching Out* newsletter is published ten times annually. The deadline for submissions to the September newsletter is August 15. Newsletter contributors are contacted monthly by the editors.

- News, Ann Riley, and Pat Shores,
- > DFS notices and events, Mary Jermak,
- > Interest Group information, Jean Light.

Visit <a href="https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/">https://ballwinchesterfield-mo.aauw.net/</a>, the branch website. Web Manager Carolyn Brown posts announcements on Facebook at Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch of AAUW. "Like" the page to receive updates.

To submit an item to Care Notes, contact Joan Reed or Joyce Katz.

#### 2022–23 Fellows & Grantees

AAUW has announced over \$6 million in funding to more than 320 fellows and grantees in the 2022–23 award year. These exceptional recipients will pursue academic work and lead innovative community projects to empower women and girls.

www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/

## **National AAUW History**

The history of the American Association of University Women mirrors the progress of women in the United States. As the number of women graduating from college grew, so did our membership.

We've published hundreds of research reports, from an 1885 paper disproving a prevailing myth that college impairs a woman's fertility to, most recently, a study documenting the economic impact of workplace sexual harassment. We have supported the academic achievements of many thousands of scholars, from scientist Marie Curie, the first woman to win a Nobel Prize, to astronaut Judith Resnik, the second woman to travel in space.

Our advocacy efforts have propelled countless new laws, including the Equal Pay Act, first proposed in 1945 and finally passed in 1963; the Title IX amendment in 1972; the Family and Medical Leave Act in 1993; the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act in 2009; and the Paycheck Fairness Act, which was passed by the U.S. Representatives in 2019 but is awaiting action in the Senate.

We've come a long way, but we still have a long way to go. In many ways, the fight for gender equity is just getting started. Join us!

## **AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield Board**

#### **Elected Officers**

Co-Presidents Sage Taber & Sandy Brody
VP Program Marcia Block & Janet Sloey
VP Membership Michelle Mangnall & April Walgren
Finance Officer Jean Light
Secretary/Archivist Leslie Wier

#### **Elected Directors**

AAUW Fund Suzanne Couch & Karen Francis Public Policy Angela Janik & Marian Bauer

#### **Appointed Directors**

Branch Fundraising Jan Horner
Directory Ann Patrice O'Shaughnessy &
Barbara Kellams

Dollars for Scholars Betty Jo Hogan & Nancy Pierson Governance Marsha Weppelman Hospitality Joan Hewitt & Jane Hemer Newsletter Editors Mary Jermak, Jean Light, Ann Riley, & Pat Shores

University Liaison Susan Shriver & Lorna Anderson Special Events

Fall Brunch Jean Elliott Spring Luncheon Susan Fenwick STEM Genevieve Gibson-Newman & Marcia Block Web Managers Joyce Katz & Carolyn Brown

Standing committee chairs are listed in the *Directory*.

#### **AAUW Recorded Webinars**

SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT STEM MEMBERSHIP

May 26, 2022, Social Justice: Creating Change May 3, 2022, Exploring Tough Policy Issues through an AAUW Lens: The Student Debt Crisis March 24, 2022, Intersectionality Identified

www.aauw.org/resources/programs/webinars/

