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THROUGH ADVOCACY, EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

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BRANCH MEETING & SPECIAL EVENT

“AAUW: Our Galaxy Of Stars” Spring Luncheon and Installation Of Officers

*Thursday, May 14
Meadowbrook Country Club
Reception at 11:15 AM
Luncheon at Noon
Program at 1:00 PM*

\$23-Reservations deadline: April 25

*Meadowbrook Country Club Requests
That No Denim Be Worn*

*Carpooling Recommended
No Valet Parking Available*

Directions:

*200 Meadowbrook C.C. Estates
(636-227-5361) On Clayton Road, Just
East Of Kehrs Mill Road
Turn North into Meadowbrook C.C.
Estates. Continue About ¼ Mile; Club
Is On the Right*

*Jill Norton, Chair; Rose Buck, and
Sandra Mawhinney, Co-Chairs*

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PRESIDENTS' CORNER

“By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational barriers so all women have a fair chance.” (AAUW's Value Promise)

The Value we receive as AAUW members is evident in recent events.

~AAUW received an Award of Excellence in the 2009 Associations Advance America Awards program, a national competition sponsored by the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) & The Center for Association Leadership. One of only 24 organizations nationally so recognized, AAUW received the award for our Campus Action Projects. The CAP teams focus on the societal issues that women and girls face as part of AAUW's ongoing efforts to break through barriers to equity. Guided by the findings in the 2008 AAUW research report “Where the Girls Are: The Facts About Gender Equity in Education”, the eleven CAP teams are addressing educational barriers faced by low-income and minority women in their communities.

~AAUW and The WAGE Project announced the formation of a partnership to ensure that women graduating from college start their careers knowing how to negotiate for fair and equal pay. The WAGE Project is a national non-profit organization which works to end discrimination and the gender wage gap for women in America. The partnership will offer \$tart \$mart Campus Negotiation Workshops to 500 college campuses over the next three years and will be presented by trained AAUW facilitators. Negotiating salaries is a challenge for women at all stages of their careers, but is an essential tool to achieve economic security for women and their families. Nationwide, working families lose \$200 billion of income annually to the gender wage gap. A fair wage at the beginning of a career can help set the stage for lifetime equity

It is so exciting to anticipate AAUW's national convention, June 26 – 28th, right here in STL! It is not too late to register to attend this history making event. See p. 3 for information, register at aauw.org and be part of the Ballwin Chesterfield contingent.

- Mary and Pat

As the end of my term approaches I want to thank the members of Ballwin-Chesterfield for giving me the opportunity to serve the branch in a leadership capacity for the last two years. During that time I have seen our community of AAUW members work hard on many fronts to give women a “fair chance”. It has been a genuine pleasure to be a part of those efforts to fulfill our AAUW promise. I look forward to helping deliver that promise to many more women and girls in the years to come.

- Pat Shores

AAUW, IBC & BRANCH NEWS

BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD OFFICERS AND CHAIRS

<u>Co Presidents</u>	Mary Jermak Pat Shores
<u>Vice Presidents - Program</u>	Bette Bude Doris Nistler
<u>Vice Presidents - Membership</u>	Harriett Hirschfeld Yvonne Morrison
<u>Secretary</u>	Jayne Kasten
<u>Treasurer</u>	Carol Thomas
Appointed Chairs:	
Bylaws	Marsha Weppelman
Dollars for Scholars	Sandy Camillo Jackie Fleck
Educational Foundation	Marcia Block Cecelia McFadden
Historian	Becky Kruse
Hospitality	Nancy Shepard Judy Stagoski
International Relations	Marian Bauer
Issues & Diversity	Marie Dargan Leslie Wier
Legal Advocacy Fund	Ruth Griffin Julia Triplet
Newsletter Editors	Joyce Katz Linda Tinker
Parliamentarian	Pam Valentine
Public Policy	Erlaine Eltomi Jane Miller
Publicity	Pat Jennings
Recognition	Carol Derington Julia Triplet
Technology	Joyce Katz

For membership information, call Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520) or Yvonne Morrison (636-391-6026).

The Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch Newsletter is published 10 times a year (each month except June and August) and mailed or e-mailed to each member. Your newsletter co-chairs are Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com), and Linda Tinker (636-273-5605, richborough2342@att.net). Please e-mail articles if possible. You may phone articles in, or mail to Linda Tinker, 16419 Newpoint Ct., Ballwin, MO 63011. The deadline for articles for the July-August newsletter is June 11 (the 2nd Thursday).

Meeting Agendas and the Branch E-mail list are reserved for AAUW & branch business only!

AAUW (IBC) DOWNTOWN LUNCH (3rd Tuesdays, 11:45 AM). Please contact Jean Shull (314-822-7821, jshull2@mindspring.com) for reservations.
May 19: Meriwether's. (History Museum, Forest Park)
June 16: Norton's Café, 808 Geyer (Soulard area)

ADELANTE (IBC Book-of-the Month Club)
4th Thursdays, 1:30 PM, Borders Books on Olive St. Rd., Creve Coeur.

May 28: Infidel by Ayaan Hinsi Ali: Discussion led by Betty Takahashi

June: no meeting

BOARD MEETING – Thursday, May 7, 9:30 AM at Trinity Lutheran Church. All elected officers and appointed chairs should attend. Please bring your 2009-10 Budget Requests to submit. Contact Pat Shores (636-938-3958) if you cannot be there.

PROGRAM PLANNING MEETING – Wednesday, May 27, 9:30 AM, 535 Fairways Circle, Creve Coeur (Doris Nistler's home – 314-692-7281)

Please attend – and bring your new ideas along! We'll plan a terrific 2009-10 year. All interested members are invited – but please RSVP to Doris by phone, or by e-mail: dnistler@charter.net. Directions will be given when you reply.

A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM YOUR TREASURER

The official deadline for submitting membership dues for 2009-2010 is June 15. However, please consider paying your dues early! You will have the satisfaction of getting a necessary task "out of the way" and it will help the branch and the treasurer.

~Regular member: **\$76** (Association: \$49, State: \$10, Branch \$17),

~Dual members: **\$17**, Life Members: **\$23**.

Make your check payable to AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield and mail to Carol Thomas, 18208 Ashford Oaks Drive, Glencoe, MO 63038

- Carol Thomas, Treasurer

By special request, an original limerick series will serve as a motivational reminder for members to get their dues checks in:

Today is the day to rise up

WRITE YOUR CHECK FOR NEXT YEAR'S MEMBERSHIP

AAUW's cause

Must never be paused

B-C needs your fine stewardship

- Anonymous

DIRECTORY UPDATE: SPECIAL REQUEST

We are now beginning to update our pictures and information for the new 2009-2010 directory to be published in September 2009. If your picture isn't in the directory or if you would like a re-take, please see Janet Kraus or Joyce Katz at a branch meeting, and they will be happy to take your picture.

If you have a digital picture, you can email it to Dodie Barnes at dodiejb@att.net. You can also mail a printed picture to Dodie at 7417 Meadow Valley Lane, Shrewsbury, MO 63119. The picture will be returned to you.

Also if you have any **changes in your email, phone, address, etc.**, please send the changes to Carol Thomas, Dodie Barnes, or Joyce Katz

AAUW, IBC & Branch News (Continued)

SAVE THE DATE - Thursday, July 9th- Our Branch Meeting and Summer Picnic will be held at the Tremayne Shelter in Sailboat Cove at Creve Coeur Park. Look for further information in the July-August newsletter!

OWL (Older Women's League) will award special Women of Worth Awards next October. A form is available to nominate a woman you know who has made a difference for midlife and older women or a midlife or older woman who has made a difference in the community. OWL is one of our supporting organizations that promotes AAUW goals. Contact Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com) by May 22, 2009, to get a form or to learn more.

WELLSTON COMMUNITY ACTION GRANT RESULTS

70 students worked with 21 mentors to complete 21 Science Projects in 6 short weeks. The groups had fun picking a subject to investigate, planning the experiments, analyzing the data and displaying the results on display boards.

Ballwin-Chesterfield members were joined by friends and supporters and worked hard to make the Science interactions a success.

Ballwin-Chesterfield Mentors: Joyce Alexander, Marcia Block, Bette Bude, Suzanne Couch, Mary Lynne DeGrande, Erlaine Eltomi, Marilyn Fletcher, Joan Hewitt, Mary Jermak, Jayne Kasten, Susie Teicher and Judy Tisdale.

Other Mentors: Duane Bude, Joan Crawford, Helen and John McIntosh, Nat Murdock, Kay Royster, John Ruprecht, George Triplett and Tom Yager.

Science Certificate Preparation: Becky Kruse

Community Action Grant Display Board: Jayne Kasten
Science Celebration Cookies and Punch: Harriett Hirschfeld, Yvonne Morrison, Julie Brooks and Mary Kay Wolfe.

Mentor Log Typist: Mersine Kallaos

This gigantic project could never have been done so well without the help of our giving Ballwin-Chesterfield members. Here is another example of our AAUW members working extremely hard to make good on our Value Promise

Look for our Community Action Grant, *Each One, Teach One*, to be featured at the June AAUW National Convention during the Welcome Reception. Please stop by our table to look at the display of our time at Wellston and to bask in the pleasure of our branch being selected as one of 25 Taste of Success projects to be showcased at the Biennial.

- Sandra Murdock, Pat Shores and Julie Triplett, Co-Directors, Community Action Grant: Each One, Teach One.

REGISTER NOW for The AAUW National Convention, June 26-28 -- here in St. Louis!!



The 2009 AAUW National Convention, *BREAKING THROUGH BARRIERS*, will be held at the Renaissance St. Louis Grand and Suites Hotel, June 26-28. Join more than 600 members from across the country as they participate in important national prerogatives.

REGULAR REGISTRATION	FULL	DAILY
Mar. 23 – Convention	\$440	\$245

*The registration fee does not include the banquet (\$125). You may include this with your registration check.

2009 CONVENTION KICKOFF LUNCHEON -- A SUCCESSFUL EVENT FOR IBC

More than 80 women from Missouri and Illinois attended the AAUW's St. Louis IBC Event on March 14. Evaluations revealed that our guests loved the beautiful Renaissance hotel and found the tour interesting. Everyone enjoyed hearing Dr. Jill Birdwhistell's dynamic coverage of AAUW topics. Many said that holding the luncheon at the Convention site was especially helpful for volunteers.

We all appreciated the members of the Convention Planning Committee who paid their own way to St. Louis to train volunteers in four critical responsibilities.

Ballwin-Chesterfield was in charge of the publicity for this event. Sincere thanks to our IBC Representative, Linda Magre, who prepared the luncheon flyer and program with the help of Joyce Katz and Pat Shores.

The AAUW Value Promise: By joining AAUW you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women have a fair chance.

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

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

Fax: 202-872-1425

TDD: 202-785-7777

**E-mail: connect@aauw.org or
 visit the AAUW Member Center**

**NEW MEMBERS' ORIENTATION COFFEE –
Thursday, April 30, 1:30 PM, 515 Summit
Cove Court, Ballwin (Pat Jennings' home: 636-405-
0515)**

All new members (since October 30, 2008) are invited to attend the New Members' Orientation Coffee. Any new members who missed the last orientation are also welcome, and we ask that you RSVP if you plan to join us.

This is a great opportunity to get acquainted with other new members and board members who will be there to explain goals and activities of the branch. We're looking forward to getting to know you better!

DIRECTIONS: From the Clarkson/Clayton intersection, go west on Clayton Rd. 3 miles (Pass Strecker). Turn right on Black Canyon, go one block and turn right on Woodmoor Ridge, go 2 blocks and turn left on Summitt Cove to #515 on the left.

- Harriett Hirschfeld and Yvonne Morrison,
Membership

**? SATURDAY NIGHT, MAY 2, 7:00 PM ?
BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD'S OWN
TRIVIA NIGHT**

TO BENEFIT the LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND

Everyone's welcome! If you have never been to a trivia night, this is your chance to find out just how much fun it is and at the same time help raise funds for LAF.

Tickets are \$18 per person, or if you get friends together and make up your own \$120 table for 8, the cost per person is then only \$15. *Call Doris (314-692-7281) or Julia Triplett (636-256-3078).*

You do not need a full table to register. There are single ticket holders waiting to join you at a table. Meeting new people and showing off your smarts may prove to be the most fun of all.

Don't wait!
Invite a friend!
Call today.

Flyers were e-mailed or postally mailed to all members. For additional flyers, please call.

FIND AAUW ON THE INTERNET

AAUW National website: www.aauw.org
AAUW-MO website: www.aauwmo.org

Metropolitan St. Louis Interbranch Council website:
AAUWStLouisIBC.com

Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch website:
www.aauwballwin-chesterfield.org

**PUBLIC POLICY - The Paycheck Fairness Act:
Proposed Legislation to Address Pay Inequality
Issues**

In January 2009, the House passed the Paycheck Fairness Act. Unfortunately, the Senate has not yet chosen to bring the bill up for a vote. The bill seeks to end wage discrimination by revising remedies and improving enforcement efforts for preventing wage discrimination based on an employee's gender. For example, within individual companies, employers could not pay jobs that are held predominately by women less than jobs held predominately by men if those jobs are equivalent in value to the employer. The bill also protects workers on the basis of race or national origin. The Fair Pay Act makes exceptions for different wage rates based on seniority, merit, or quantity or quality of work. It also contains a small business exemption.

The proposed legislation would address the following:
~Empowerment of women to negotiate for equal pay;
~Creation of stronger incentives for employers who follow the law;
~Prohibition of retaliation against employees who share salary information;
~Strengthening of federal outreach and enforcement efforts.

Your help is needed to ensure passage of this act. Please contact Senators Claire McCaskill and Christopher Bond to let them know you support the Paycheck Fairness Act.

- Erlaine Eltomi and Jane Miller, Co-Chairs

**NEWSLETTER NOTE - Deadlines are the
branch meeting date of the previous month**

Our branch newsletter is THE source for event dates and branch information—all the news that members need to be able to participate fully.

The last day that articles may be accepted is the day of the branch meeting of the PREVIOUS month. For summer, when we don't meet each month, see below:

Newsletter Month	Last day for articles	Deadline Date
July-August issue (2-month)	2 nd Thursday of June	June 11
September (resume 1-month)	2 nd Thursday of August	August 13

Please be aware that we do not publish a newsletter for August itself (rather, we publish a combined July-August issue); therefore any announcements, Dollars for Scholars events, and news for July AND August must be submitted by the deadline dates above.

- Joyce Katz & Linda Tinker, Co-chairs

UPDATES FROM OUR BRANCH CHAIRS (Continued)

LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND: LONG-TIME SUPPORTER OF TITLE IX

“Well, it’s opened a door that just didn’t exist”, said Nancy Fahey, Washington University basketball coach, in a recent interview on the impact of Title IX on college athletics. Fahey believes Title IX is the primary reason for the enormous growth in women’s athletics. Title IX, passed in 1972, is part of the Education Amendment that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. Title IX, while framed to combat both scholastic and athletic discrimination, has had the most notable impact on the field of play. Many court cases have arisen concerning female athletic participation in colleges across the country.

Women’s athletic scholarships give many women their only opportunity to attend a university. Supporters state that competition helps women and girls to nurture a sense of self-esteem and accomplishment. Verna William of The National Law Center said “Title IX’s not just about sports anymore. It’s a tool for making schools more hospitable for girls and women, ending sexual harassment, and winning real gender equity across the board.”

LAF, as part of the Education Foundation, advocates vigorous enforcement of Title IX and opposes any effort that would weaken its effectiveness. This is another way in which AAUW promotes a fair chance for women.

- Ruth Griffin LAF Committee

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

History of Our Branch’s Local Scholarships

Our branch has been giving local scholarships for the past 23 years - since 1986. The first \$250.00 went to a young woman who had left military service and returned home to attend the University of Missouri-St. Louis. We continued donating to UMSL and added Maryville University in 1994. By that year our contributions amounted to \$4,000. In 1997 we increased the number of individual schools to include Pierre Laclède Honors College. Throughout these years we have donated more than \$75,000 to over 25 different recipients.

The criteria for our scholarships have changed only in small ways since the first committee decided that they should go to mature women who demonstrated financial need and a good grade-point average. The money must be used only for tuition and books. The recipients are selected by the Financial Aid Departments of each school. Staff members of each school want AAUW members to know that the amounts are used well and greatly appreciated.

Named Gift Awards to be given at the May Meeting

There are so many women who work hard, often behind the scenes, to make the Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch the effective organization that it is. Please join us at the Spring Luncheon when we will recognize a number of them for their outstanding service to the Educational Foundation and to the branch. If you will not be able to attend, look for their photos in the next newsletter or on the branch website and be sure to congratulate and thank them.

Have you thought about making a gift to the Educational Foundation or to the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund in honor of someone? What about a friend’s birthday or special anniversary, for example? Or a memorial? It’s a great idea to honor a special lady on Mother’s Day too!

A card is sent by the state EF chair so there is no delay as there might be with some national organizations (never AAUW, of course). Contributions may be sent at any time to Marcia Block, 1521 Fournier Drive, Crestwood, MO 63126.

- Marsha Block and Cecelia McFadden, Co Chairs

SHOP AND DONATE TO AAUW AT THE SAME TIME!

USE A SCHNUCKS eSCRIP COMMUNITY CARD

Ask for an “e-Scrip” card when you go to your local Schnucks store. Then follow these steps to activate your card and to earn cash for Ballwin-Chesterfield from your Schnucks purchases. {Or call Susan Haynes (314-839-8662) for a pre-registered card.}

1. Register your e-Scrip Community Card
 - a. Call 1-800-931-6258 to activate your card.
 - b. Tell them that the name of your group is **AAUW Ballwin Chesterfield**.
 - c. Give them our group number **500 006 154**.
 - d. Give them your name and address.
 - e. Give them the number on the back of your Schnucks card under the bar code.
 - f. Register up to four cards per household.

2. Present your card to the cashier whenever you shop.

Each month Ballwin-Chesterfield earns a percentage of all purchases made by members’ households. It’s free – no catch – just use your cards!

SHOPPING AT OFFICE DEPOT BRINGS CASH TO THE BRANCH

Every member purchase at Office Depot credits the branch with cash that is used to publish your newsletter. Just tell the store clerk: “**AAUW Worklife Rewards #123 104 8594**”

If your purchase is to be used for branch work, it is also tax-deductible. Our tax-deductible number is: 393 75 035 “AAUW, Eureka, MO”. For a wallet-sized information card, contact Joyce Katz.



DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

The proceeds from Dollars for Scholars activities go entirely to the Educational Foundation and local scholarships. Our goals are: to raise money for scholarships, to give members opportunities to work together in small groups, to provide enriching and educational experiences, and to introduce AAUW to non-members. If you have an idea for an activity, please contact Sandy Camillo (314-576-5687, sandycamillo@gmail.com) or Jackie Fleck (314-878-1723, jacquebel@hotmail.com).

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

“A WINE COUNTRY EXPERIENCE” AT CHANDLER HILL VINEYARDS - Wednesday, April 29 - 11:00 AM
Cost: \$28.00 - Carpools: 10:15 AM - Leave from Trinity Church - 10:30 AM - Leave from Lowe’s at Chesterfield Commons

Come out to Chandler Hill Vineyards, built on the former property of Joseph Chandler, a freed slave who arrived in the Defiance area in the 1870’s. View his relics and the century-old artifacts found on this property. We will enjoy a vino-inspired bistro buffet luncheon in the casually elegant tasting room. The chef will give a demonstration of cooking and pairing foods with wine. Chandler Hill is unique in that it offers wine from the sunny slopes of Sonoma and Napa Valley as well as from Missouri wine country. (Wine tasting will be available at an additional cost.)

We will raffle a custom-created “Chandler Hill Collection” gift basket. Chances for raffle: 1 for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. Chances will be sold on the day of event. The drawing will take place at Chandler Hill; attendance is not required to win.

Send your check to Barbara Butchart (636-926-7704) 107 Shaelah Ct., Weldon Spring, MO 63304

DIRECTIONS: From the Boone’s Crossing/Chesterfield Commons exit travel west on Hwy.40/64 across the Missouri River. Exit south (left) on Hwy. 94 for seven miles to Route F. Turn right; continue two miles to Defiance Rd. Turn left and in 700 yards turn right.

LIONS AND TIGERS, OH MY! National Tiger Sanctuary, Bloomsdale, MO, Friday, May 8 – Cost: \$20.00 Carpool: 8:45 AM

We will be visiting some of the same tigers we saw several years ago but in a new sanctuary and with more animals, including a mountain lion! Lunch is not included in the price, but we will order lunches and eat at the tiger sanctuary. Contact Suzanne Couch (636-391-0291, suzan2315@yahoo.com) or Barbara Fine (636-265-2306, bdancing99@aol.com) with questions.

DIRECTIONS: We will carpool from the church. at 8:45 AM. We should return to the church between 1:00 and 2:00 PM.

REMEMBER TO TAKE PICTURES AT YOUR EVENT!

AAUW-BC’s OWN COMPUTER TUTORS ARE STILL OFFERING HELP! Cost: \$20 per hour

Our committee can help you with computer skills from simple email to financial records and tax preparation in your own home on your own computer, so put your “laundry list” of questions together and contact Pat Shores (636-938-3958, apatricia.shores@charter.net) or Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com) to arrange a visit today!

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

“OUT-TO-LUNCH” GROUP, 3rd Wednesdays
MAY 20 - 11:30 AM - Revival, 3800 Chouteau Ave., 63110. Carpool from Trinity Lutheran Church at 10:45 AM.

We invite all members to join us for a lunch with your friends from Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch at this interesting restaurant. Guests are always welcome.

DIRECTIONS: From the Trinity Lutheran Church turn left on Clayton then left at the second light going south on Hwy 141 to Interstate 44. Go east on 44 to Grand. Turn left heading north on Grand to left on Chouteau. Drive several blocks to the restaurant on the left. Turn left at this street. Parking is on the right across the street from the entrance. (King Louie’s used to be at this location.) Sign up at the May luncheon or call Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520) for reservations.

June 17 – There will be no “Out-To-Lunch” Group meeting in June.

MOVIE GROUP – (4th Thursdays – 10:00 AM)
May 28 – 1613 Baxter Lane Circle, Chesterfield (Mary McFarland’s home: 636-530-0483). Call hostess for list of movies to be discussed.

DIRECTIONS: From Clayton and Baxter or from Clarkson and Baxter -- take Baxter to Old Baxter Rd., turn left onto Old Baxter Road if you are coming from Clarkson or right onto Old Baxter Road if you are coming from Clayton Rd, follow Old Baxter Road to Baxter Lane. Turn right onto Baxter Lane. Drive all the way to the end and turn right on Baxter Lane Circle. We are the third house from the corner.

JUNE 25 - 3517 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis (Pat Mueller’s home: 314-776-5723). See your July/August newsletter for further details.

Special Interest Groups (Continued)

BIKING GROUP – NEW GROUP

So far our numbers have been small, and those interested in biking have different days that suit them for riding. I have put together a schedule for a few rides in the next months. All of these rides can be adapted for length. If you would like to join us for any of these rides, please contact Betty Forde (636-256-7780, bforde9696@sbcglobal.net).

Friday, May 15, at 10:00 AM

Great River Road starting just NW of Alton at the first public parking lot outside of Alton on The Great River Road to Grafton or beyond. We can eat on the patio at Mississippi Two Step or farther north at the Winery (both are in Grafton). It may take 45 minutes- hour to get there. I can take one other bike on my rack.

Monday, May 18, at 10:00 AM

Trails of Madison County, Illinois. Meet at the Trail Parking lot at the intersection of Hwy 157 and Horseshoe Lake Rd. The parking lot is just behind /next to Culver's Restaurant. I will provide trail maps, and we can decide how far and where to ride as there are many options. I can give you more directions when you call.

Friday, May 29, at 10:00 AM

Katy Trail starting at Matson parking lot on HWY. 94 and riding to Augusta or Dutzow and back. If interested we can visit Sugar Creek Winery after the ride.

June Dates to be announced.

EXPRESSIONS - (1st Tuesdays, 1:00 PM)

May 5- Rockwood Bank Meeting Room – NEW TIME: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

We will be assembling the programs and napkin decorations for the Spring Luncheon. Bring a bag lunch; drinks will be provided. Bring fast drying glue, scissors, ruler, and a one-hole punch. Contact Jill Norton (314-757-5969, jillnorton826@att.net) if you can be there.

DIRECTIONS: From Manchester & Clarkson, drive west on Manchester (becomes Rt. 100) for about 3 miles (pass 5 stop lights.) Exit to the right for Rt. 109 (Eatherton Road), then go south (left) on 109. Pass 1 stop light. The Bank is to your left. Carpooling is encouraged.

June 2: 1:00- 3:00 PM, 17601 Lasiandra, Chesterfield (Jill Norton's home: 636-530-0962)

We will be creating **Garden Stepping Stones**. Bring your own purchased kit, available at your favorite hobby store, a bucket for mixing cement, and a stable flat board for carrying your unset stone home. Latex gloves and a spatula for smoothing wet cement are optional. RSVP to Jill (314-757-5969, jillnorton826@att.net).

DIRECTIONS: From Hwy. 40 take the Chesterfield Airport Exit and turn on to Long Rd. Turn right at Wildhorse Creek Rd. and go 0.8 mi. Turn left into Wildhorse Subdivision. Stay on Wildhorse Parkway for 1.7 miles and turn left on Lasiandra Dr. Our house is at the end of the cul-de-sac.

GOLF – May 4, 11, and 18; June 1, 8, and 15.

This group plays at various public courses around the area, April through October. Golfers may choose to play 9 or 18 holes and are welcome to play as often as they can. All skill levels above beginner are welcome. Call today to get on the list for next season. Bev Wait (636-532-3002, wait89@aol.com.) Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com.) or Carolyn Baker (314-432-2576).

PLAY READERS GROUPS

PLAY READERS – (3rd Mondays – 12:45 PM)

May 18 – 18353 Allenton Trail Terrace, Pacific – (Cecelia McFadden's home: 636-405-2897)

DIRECTIONS: Go West on Highway 100 (Manchester Rd.) to Melrose Rd. on your left, almost exactly 1 mile from where Rt.100 becomes a 2-lane road (west of Rt. T). Go left on Melrose to the first stop street. Turn right at Allenton Rd. Go about 1.5 miles to Tamara Trail and turn right. Go to the top of the trail, and turn left onto Allenton Trail. (Look under 4 mailboxes). Follow this street to where you can make another right onto a gravel street. Follow to the end, which is at our home. From Route 44-Exit at the Six Flags Allenton Exit. Allenton runs right beside Six Flags going north. Go to Tamara Trail, which is about 5 miles. Turn left onto Tamara Trail and follow directions above.

June 15 – 16419 Newpoint Court, Wildwood (Linda

Tinker's home: 636-273-5605)

DIRECTIONS: From the Clarkson and Manchester intersection go west on Manchester to the fourth stoplight (Westglen Farms exit). Turn right and go to the first left which is Plaza Village View Drive. Turn left and follow around the shopping center (street becomes Newpoint Drive) to Newpoint Court. Turn left into cul-de-sac, and it is the first house on the right.

PLAY READERS, TOO! – (1st Fridays – 1:00 PM)

May 1 – 17601 Lasiandra Dr., Chesterfield (Jill Norton's home: 636-530-0962)

DIRECTIONS: From Hwy. 40 take the Chesterfield Airport Exit and turn on to Long Rd. Turn right at Wildhorse Creek Rd. and go 0.8 mi. Turn left into Wildhorse Subdivision. Stay on Wildhorse Parkway for 1.7 miles and turn left on Lasiandra Dr. Our house is at the end of the cul-de-sac.

June 5 – 8 Provence Drive, Lake St. Louis

(Barbara Fine's home: 636-265-2306)

DIRECTIONS: Take Hwy 40 West from Clarkson to Dauphine Drive. Turn right on Dauphine Drive and go one mile. Turn left on Provence Drive and go 0.2 mile. #8 is on the right.

Special Interest Groups (Continued)

SCRABBLE GROUP (1st Wednesdays –10:30 AM) – May 6 and June 3 - Gas House Grill, 12643 Olive Blvd, Creve Coeur.

If you cannot get there at 10:30, the old time of 11:00 AM will be okay, and we will fit you in. Be sure to say if you will arrive at the new time and if you will be playing the whole day or half day. Please RSVP to Alberta Murstein, (314-997-0758, amurst1788@aol.com).

BOOK GROUPS – please call the hostess to let her know you are coming!

LITERATURE I (3rd Thursdays – 9:30 AM)

May 21 – 438 Conway Village Dr., St. Louis (Terri Ciccolella's home: 314-878-6972). A discussion of *Unaccustomed Earth* by Jhumpa Lahiri will be led by Julie Triplett.

DIRECTIONS: From Hwy 40 go North on Hwy 141/ Woods Mill Rd for 0.5 miles. Turn right (East) onto Conway and go 0.8 miles. Turn right onto Conway Village Drive.

June 18 – 18208 Ashford Oaks Dr., Glencoe (Carol Thomas's home: 636-273-4822). Salad and Dessert Luncheon and book selection for 2009-2010.

DIRECTIONS: From Clarkson and Clayton, take Clayton west until it ends at Rt. 109. Turn right (north) on Rt. 109. Go 0.6 miles to left onto Old Eatherton Road. (Put on left blinker after passing the entrance to Winding Woods Subdivision.) Take 1st right on Ashford Oaks. It is the second house on the left.

This group is closed due to the large number of members. For information, call Dorle Bruschke (314-862-7197).

LITERATURE II (4th Mondays - 10:00 AM)

May 25 - NO MEETING IN MAY

June 22 – 18228 Buckboard Road, Pacific (Harriett Hirschfeld's home: 636-458-1520). A discussion of *The 13th Tale* by Diane Setterfield will be led by Linda Tinker, followed by our Book Choice Meeting and Luncheon (catered). Please send advance book suggestions to Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com).

DIRECTIONS: From the Manchester-Clarkson intersection, go west on Manchester (Rt. 100) for 9-10 miles. Past Highway T, turn left on Melrose. Go 0.6 miles to stop sign at Allenton Rd. Turn right and go 0.9 miles to Buckboard Rd. on left (private road). Turn left and follow winding, steep road 0.4 miles to end. We are the last of three houses, 18228. Park in the drive.

We welcome all readers! For information, call Joyce Katz (314-878-4521).

BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB (BBC) (1ST Mondays – 10:00 AM) *NEW GROUP!*

This new literature group will read and discuss biographies and autobiographies of famous people (men and women, alive or deceased). Sign up at the May Luncheon or call Yvonne Morrison (636-391-6026) or Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520) for information. This group is open to all members.

May 4 –13029 Pagada Parkway, Sunset Hills, 63127 (Connie Lowry's home-636-349-5328), Carpool from Trinity Lutheran Church – 9:15 AM

Selection: ***George Lucas: a Biography*** by John Baxter. Reviewer: Harriett Hirschfeld

DIRECTIONS: From Trinity Lutheran Church turn left on Clayton then left at the 2nd light. Go south on Hwy 141 to Interstate 44. Go east on 44 to Lindberg and turn right heading south. Pass Watson Rd and turn right on Rott Rd. Drive on Rott until you get to a 3-way stop. Rott then goes to the right and under Interstate 270. Stay on Rott to Pagada Parkway on the right. Turn right; go to 4th house on the right.

June 1 – 4009 Dartmouth Ridge Court, Wildwood (Jan Ruggie's home – 636-587-2182) Carpool from Kmart, Manchester just west of Clarkson – 9:30 AM

Selection: ***Henry Shaw: His Life and Legacies*** by Father Faherty - Reviewer: Yvonne Morrison

DIRECTIONS: Drive west on Rt. 100 to Rt. 109, Turn left heading south for about 7 miles past the light at Old State Rd. Turn right at next road (Radcliff Place Dr.) Drive to the third road on the right, Dartmouth Ridge Ct.

READING REALITY (2nd Tuesdays – NOTE TIME CHANGE: NOON)

May 12 – Hearth Room. We will select books for the coming year. Call Marcia Block (314-962-5575) for more details

June 9: (NOTE TIME CHANGE BACK TO 1:30 PM)

Call Marcia Block (314-962-5575) for book selection. *To learn more about this non-fiction group, contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575, mhblock@sbcglobal.net).*

Special Interest Groups (Continued)

BRIDGE GROUPS

BRIDGE I (1st Wednesdays)

May 6: Call Janet Ludewig (636-227-5604)

June 3: Call Nancy Remley-Wilhelm (636-519-0391)

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

May 19: Call Susan Shepperd (636-532-7231)

June 16: Call Jan Loudon (636-227-6925)

BRIDGE III (4th Wednesdays – 10:00 AM) Hearth Room

May 27: Call Carol Thomas (636-273-4822)

June 24: Call Marilee Ingoldsby (314-805-7163)

BRIDGE IV (1st Tuesdays, 9:30 AM) Please call the hostess to let her know if you are coming or not.

May 5: Call Sally Goodman (636-532-1463)

June 2: Call Susan Shepperd (636-532-7231)

Any Ballwin-Chesterfield branch member who is interested in playing bridge as a permanent member or as a substitute in one of the groups, contact Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520, hhirschfe@aol.com)

BRIDGE V (2nd Tuesdays, 9:30 AM) Please call the hostess to let her know if you are coming or not.

May 12: Call Susan Shepperd (636-532-7231)

June 9: Call Teresa Reeves (636-394-7085)

BRIDGE VI (3rd Mondays, 10:00 AM) Hearth Room Café

May 18: Call Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520)

June 15: Call Pam Valentine (314-434-8387)

DUPLICATE BRIDGE I (2nd Wednesdays, 10:00 AM)

May 13: Call Sande Mawhinney (636-394-6522)

June 10: Call Ruth Griffin (636-394-1344)

DUPLICATE BRIDGE II (4th Tuesdays, 10:00 AM) Hearth Room

May 26: Call Alice Crippen (636-227-4284)

June 23: Call Elaine Frost (314-432-0899)

JUNE, 2009

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1 GOLF 10:00 AM BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB	2 9:30 AM BRIDGE IV 1:00 PM EXPRESSIONS	3 10:30 AM SCRABBLE BRIDGE I	4	5 1:00 PM PLAY READERS TOO!	6
7	8 GOLF	9 1:30 PM READING REALITY 9:30 AM BRIDGE V	10 10:00 AM DUP. BRIDGE I	11 July- August newsletter deadline	12	13
14	15 GOLF 12:45 PM PLAY READERS 10:00 AM BRIDGE VI Dues Deadline	16 11:00 AM BRIDGE II 11:45 AM Downtown Lunch	17	18 9:30 AM LITERATURE I	19	20
21	22 10:00 AM LITERATURE II	23 10:00 AM DUP. BRIDGE II	24 10:00 AM BRIDGE III	25 10:00 AM MOVIE GROUP	26 AAUW NATIONAL CONVENTION →	27
28 AAUWMO MEETING →	29	30				

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					1 1:00 PM PLAY READERS TOO!	2 7:00 PM TRIVIA NIGHT FOR LAF
3	4 <u>GOLF</u> 10:00 AM BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB	5 9:00 AM <u>EXPRESSIONS</u> 9:30 AM BRIDGE IV	6 10:30 AM <u>SCRABBLE</u> BRIDGE I	7 9:30 AM BOARD MEETING	8 8:45 AM LIONS AND TIGERS, OH MY!	9
10	11 <u>GOLF</u>	12 NOON <u>READING REALITY</u> 9:30 AM BRIDGE V	13 10:00 AM DUP. BRIDGE I	14 11:15 AM BRANCH MEETING & LUNCHEON	15 10:00 AM BIKING GROUP	16
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24 31	25 <i>Memorial Day</i>	26 10:00 AM DUP. BRIDGE II	27 9:30 AM <u>PROGRAM COMMITTEE</u> 10:00 AM BRIDGE III	28 10:00 AM MOVIE GROUP 1:30 PM Adelante	29 10:00 AM BIKING GROUP	30

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