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

February Branch Meeting Thursday, February 11 Trinity Lutheran Church

14088 Clayton Rd. (at Woods Mill Rd.)
8:45 AM- Register and sign up for events
9:30 AM – Business meeting
10:30 AM – Speaker

SPEAKER

AMY BLOUIN,

Executive Director, Missouri Budget Project

“THE IMPACT OF STATE ECONOMIC & BUDGET POLICY ON MISSOURIANS”



Hospitality: the LAF Committee

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PRESIDENTS’ CORNER - *What are Little Girls Made Of?*

What are little girls made of?

Sugar and spice and everything nice.

What are little boys made of?

Snips and snails and puppy dog tails.

Do you remember hearing this nursery rhyme when you were young? It suggests that little boys are programmed for adventure. You can see them romping after their Spots or Buddies, merrily investigating the world. And the little girls? They get all that is sweet and nice! That might seem like a fair balance between the genders, but check out what Roget says about that nondescript adjective “nice”: pleasant, good, kind, respectable, good-looking, polite, OR, fastidious, fussy, finicky, careful, and even trivial!

Here we stand on the cusp of a new decade—once little girls, now all grown up. Our collective experiences have taught us that little girls cannot survive on sugar and spice, and even “nice” will not suffice. A nursery-rhyme life of primness and passivity may have been useful for a princess, but for a 21st Century woman, such a life is best left between the covers of a book.

That brings us to some important news from AAUW National about the upcoming report, which highlights recent research on barriers to women and girls in STEM fields in middle and high school, college and university, and the workplace. AAUW has awarded \$50,000 in Campus Action Project (CAP) grants to 12 institutions across the country for the 2009–10 academic year. These projects show that the lack of women entering these higher paying fields negatively affects women’s economic security.

Furthermore, additional women in these fields would help close the gender wage gap and would eliminate the U. S. shortage of workers in math and science fields.

Closer to home, our own AAUW Branch is addressing the need to engage girls in science. Soon we will be mentoring small groups of 6th and 7th graders in the Wellston School District to design and implement science experiments. In addition, our branch’s STEM Project Chair, Sandra Murdock, is facilitating the attendance of fourteen Wellston 7th grade girls to the *Expanding Your Horizons in Math and Science* conference March 8, 2010, at St. Louis University.

So what are little girls made of? Roget gives one more synonym for “nice”: **accomplished**. We salute each one of you who, through your membership, help girls and women break through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance to become “accomplished,” the best kind of nice!

- Bette and Mary

AAUW, IBC & BRANCH NEWS

BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD OFFICERS AND CHAIRS

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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 March newsletter is February 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). February 16: Molly's in Souland, 808 Geyer St. Please contact Jean Shull (314-822-7821, ishull2@mindspring.com) for reservations.

ADELANTE (IBC Book-of-the Month Club)
4th Thursdays, 1:30 PM, Borders Books on Olive St. Rd., Creve Coeur. February 25: *The Soloist* by Steve Lopez will be reviewed by Julia Triplett.
March's book: *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker

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.

BOARD MEETING –Thursday, February 4, 9:30 AM at Trinity Lutheran Church. All Elected Officers and Appointed Chairs should attend. Please contact Bette Bude (314-878-7642, dabbl@sbcglobal.net) if you cannot be there.

TWENTY (1) WAYS TO LEAVE THE WINTER BLAHS: TRY A SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

5 BOOK GROUPS (Through the month M-Th)

BIOGRAPHY	1 st Mon.
READING REALITY	2 nd Tues
POETRY	3 rd Wed.
LITERATURE I	3 rd Thurs.
LITERATURE II	4 th Mon

8 BRIDGE GROUPS (By the Week M-W)

1 st Tuesday	1 st Wed.
2 nd Tues.	2 nd Wed. Duplicate
3 rd Mon.	3 rd Tues.
4 th Tues. Duplicate	4 th Wed.

EXPRESSIONS 1st Tues

GOLF (waiting for spring)

MOVIE GROUP 4th Thurs.

OUT-TO-LUNCH 3rd Wed

PLAY READERS 3rd Mon

PLAY READERS, TOO! 1st Fri

SCRABBLE 2nd Wed

NEW MEMBERS! Give these a try! Turn to pages 8-9

SAVE THESE DATES!

- PUBLIC POLICY EVENT:** Thursday, March 4 -see p. 6
- IBC "SPRING FLING",** Sat., March 20 – see page 3.
- LAF is having our 2nd **TRIVIA NIGHT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2010**, at Trinity Lutheran Church. Cost is the same as last year: \$120 for 8-person table, or \$20 for a single ticket. There will be a silent auction, 50/50, free soda and snacks. Tell your family and friends and plan to attend.



Save the date!

*AAUW Spring Luncheon
Thursday, May 13, 2010
Whitmoor Country Club*

*A time to honor our
members & install new officers.
Tickets on sale in March and
April. - Details to come.*



- Weekend of June 11-12, 2010:** AAUW Five-State Conference in Little Rock, AR. Details and a registration form are available on the branch website's main page.

AAUW St. Louis Interbranch Council 2010 Annual Spring Event, a/k/a

IBC Spring Fling

Saturday, March 20, 2010

Greenbriar Hills Country Club

*12655 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122 (314-822-3011)

Program:

"Freeing the Caged Bird: Four Famous St. Louis Women"

Kathleen Butterly Nigro, PhD

The Speaker: Kathleen Butterly Nigro holds a Ph.D. in English from Saint Louis University. She is an assistant teaching professor of gender studies and assistant director of the Institute for Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Missouri-St Louis. Dr. Nigro is a coordinator for the statewide book club reading initiative, ReadMore, which encourages all Missourians to read and discuss the same book, now in its eighth year. She is president of the Kate Chopin Society of North America and on the executive board of the Kate Chopin International Society.

The Presentation: This PowerPoint presentation will introduce you to four St. Louis women - Kate Chopin, Sara Teasdale, Maya Angelou, and Emily Hahn - who faced and overcame obstacles in their personal and their artistic lives. Part of the program will be a four-movement symphony, *Freeing the Caged Bird*, written by Dr. Barbara Harbach and performed by the Equinox Chamber Players, inspired by the work of these local women.

11:15 AM Registration

11:45 AM Welcome and Lunch

Menu: Asparagus Soup, Chicken Salad and Fruit Plate, Rolls and Butter, Carrot Cake, Beverages (Wine or a mixed beverage may be purchased when the server takes drink orders.)

***Directions:** From the north, take I-270 south to Big Bend Road, Exit #7. From the south there is no exit at Big Bend (suggestion: continue north to Dougherty Ferry Rd, then cross over I-270 and exit to southbound I-270 to the Big Bend exit). Go west on Big Bend Rd for 0.3 miles. When you get to the traffic light at Glenwood Lane, make a right turn. At the stop sign a few yards from the light, make a right turn into the parking lot.

Mail the registration form below with your check (payable to AAUW Metro St. Louis IBC) to: Carol Davis McDonald, 827 Bergquist Drive, Manchester, MO 63011-4215. Questions? E-mail to Davis-mcdonald@juno.com or telephone 636-227-0511.

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IBC Spring Fling 2010 Registration Form Registration due by Thursday, March 11, 2010

Name and Branch

Street, City, Zip

Phone Number(s) and E-Mail (please, for verification, follow-up, etc.)

For dietary needs (e.g., glucose or lactose intolerance, kosher, etc.), please describe on back of registration form.

Check enclosed for: ___ person(s) x \$25.00. (Please list additional names on back, including branch, if applicable, a contact telephone number, and dietary needs.)

AAUW, IBC & Branch News (Continued)

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS GROUP - Tuesday, February 9, 10:45 AM at the Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd.

Come and join us for a timely and informative lecture by Alvin Edgell on "The Puzzle of Afghanistan". The lecture will be followed by questions and discussion. Edgell has served as acting director of the Peace Corps in Afghanistan for 3 years. He has taught and written about the importance of culture to foreign policy and on terrorism.

Need more information? Contact Marian Bauer (636-227-1781, marianbauer@sbcglobal.net).



GETTING TO KNOW YOU

A Sincere Welcome to ALL Our New Members

Charmaine Scott, 12470 Cross Green Lane, St. Louis 63141 Phone: 314-434-6542 Cell: 314-609-6415 Email: charmagne1247@hotmail.com

Charmaine received her BS from Fontbonne University and Masters from University of Missouri-St. Louis. She was an elementary teacher and principal. She enjoys traveling and reading and is interested in all our Literature groups. We are delighted she has joined our organization.

Barbara Mueller, 2102 Terrimill, Chesterfield, 63017 Phone: 636-527-3131 Cell: 314-630-9910 Email: terrimill@att.net

Barbara has lived in St. Louis for 45 years and was a teacher, counselor, and principal in the Parkway School District. She has her BS from Fontbonne University and a MS from University of Missouri-St. Louis. She enjoys reading, gardening, kayaking and activities at Innsbrook Resort, where she belongs to the Innsbrook Institute for Music led by David Halen. Welcome to the Ballwin Chesterfield Branch of AAUW!

MARCH BRANCH DIRECTORY UPDATE: Deadline for additions and changes: February 11

If you need to update your listing in the current branch directory, please let us know, and we will make the correction in the March supplement. In order for these changes and corrections to appear in the supplement, you will need to contact us by Feb. 11

Picture retakes of current members will appear in the new September 2010-11 directory. Pictures of new members will be published in the supplement along with their information.

- *Dodie Barnes and Rosemary Manley*, Co-Chairs

JULIA TRIPLETT CHOSEN TO CHAIR AAUW NATIONAL PANEL.

Last year our branch received an AAUW Community Action Grant, and it was used to assist in our award-winning Wellston Project. Sandra Murdock and Pat Shores were leaders of the project, and Julia Triplett was actively involved.

Recently, Julia has been named as Chair of the Community Action Grants panel for the Association for this year. Congratulations, Julia!

BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD SENDS AID TO RED CROSS EFFORT IN HAITI

Thanks to all the generous women at the January 14 Branch meeting for their donations to help victims of the earthquake disaster in Haiti. A special thanks to Joan Corwin, who headed up the collection. Joan has reported that she will be delivering \$1380 to the American Red Cross from our group.

The space below has intentionally been left blank to accommodate the Spring Fling registration form on the preceding page.

UPDATES FROM OUR BRANCH CHAIRS

SAVE THE DATE – SPECIAL PUBLIC POLICY EVENT

On Thursday, March 4, 2010, CARE will present *Half the Sky* LIVE in movie theaters nationwide. Inspired by the best-selling book, *Half the Sky* LIVE will celebrate International Women's Day with musical performances, celebrity commentary, and the world premiere of *Woineshet*, a powerful short film directed by Academy Award Winner Marisa Tomei.

The Public Policy Co-Chairs will arrange a restaurant location for members of our branch to gather and have drinks and appetizers before seeing the movie. More details will be available as soon as there is a listing of which movie theaters will be showing the film.

To watch a trailer for the movie go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rr3R1EUa2e4>
Half the Sky is described as essential reading for every global citizen. Now in paperback, it can be purchased from Barnes and Noble for \$11.96. AAUW's partner, CARE, is a leading humanitarian organization fighting global poverty.

EPR - SPECIAL REQUEST: NOMINATE A MEMBER FOR SPECIAL RECOGNITION BY THE BRANCH – due March 11

Each year our branch recognizes fellow members who are making (or have made) a particularly significant contribution to Educational Foundation and goals of the branch.

Perhaps you know of someone who was an enthusiastic and effective chair of a special fundraising event. Or you know a member who can always be counted upon to help out when asked to further activities which promote the AAUW's mission.

Members continually give generously of time and money to make our branch a warm, friendly, effective and productive group. Let's recognize those among us whose service, leadership and commitment especially deserve our thanks!

You may nominate as many members as you like. Past honorees are listed in your directory (a member may certainly be nominated again.)

Please use the suggested format given below and mail in as directed. If you prefer to send your nomination by e-mail, that will be fine. Send to mhblock@sbcglobal.net. Thank you!

--*Marcia Block & Jan Horner*

2009-10 NAMED GIFT HONOREE NOMINATION FORMAT AAUW BALLWIN-CHESTERFIELD BRANCH AAUW EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

A nominee for the Named Gift Honor must have shown service, leadership, and commitment to the Educational Foundation and to the Ballwin-Chesterfield branch. You may nominate more than one person using a separate sheet for each. All nominations are confidential and must be submitted to Marcia Block, 1521 Fournier Drive, Crestwood, MO 63126, no later than March 12, 2008.

On a blank sheet of paper please provide evidence of current and past service, leadership, and commitment to the Foundation and to the branch. Please include dates if known. **Use the suggested format below.**

Give Name of Nominee _____

Write your description of your nominee's past service and why you believe she should receive this honor this year.

Write: Nominated by ____ (your name) _____

UPDATES FROM OUR BRANCH CHAIRS (Continued)

LAF – A Clarification of Funds

AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch deeply appreciates the generous support of all of our members given to the various programs. Your contributions/gifts provide programs that touch the lives of women and girls. LAF works to combat sex discrimination through community and campus outreach programs, a resource library, online advocacy tools, and various research reports. Contributions to **AAUW Funds** are fully tax-deductible and can be designated to any specific fund or program by writing its name or number on your check or any accompanying document.

In your December branch newsletter, on page 6, there was a diagram of the new organization of AAUW Funds. Read on to learn more about the Legal Advocacy portion of this diagram.

- *Barbara Butchart and Ruth Griffin* Co-Chairs

“Legal Advocacy Fund” or “Protect” (fund #3999)

This fund supports all programs that protect the legal rights of those facing discrimination. It provides funding for cases that have the potential to make a difference for all women, and provides general support for the programs with the greatest needs

Legal Case Support (fund #9310)

The Value Promise guides case support decisions for LAF'S expansion from focus only on cases arising in the academic context to those that arise in any workplace. LAF is also concentrating on identifying strategic cases that may provide significant protection for women in the future.

Case Support Travel Grant (fund #3072)

The grant makes the work of LAF more personal by allowing AAUW members to meet an individual LAF plaintiff who has benefited from their donations.



Campus Outreach Projects (fund #3500)

LAF launched this initiative to educate students and staff about sex discrimination issues, and to share ways to address and prevent this; and to provide action steps toward creating a more equitable campus climate

PUBLIC POLICY: Celebrate AAUW's 2009 Successes

AAUW's Action Network can claim some impressive achievements during 2009. Over the past year, together, we have:

~Successfully supported Justice Sonia Sotomayor's confirmation to the U.S. Supreme Court and celebrated this historic achievement for all women.

~Convinced the House to take the first critical step towards strengthening and updating the Equal Pay Act with the successful passage of the Paycheck Fairness Act, and increased the number of co-sponsors in the Senate to more than ever before.

~Tackled the issue of college affordability with our support for the House-passed Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act, one of the single largest investments in higher education ever.

~Ensured successful inclusion of AAUW's top priorities in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, including investments in higher education, school construction and modernization, and direct appropriations to states and localities to support critical services.

~Advocated for coverage of maternity care and preventive care, an end to gender rating, and other protections in the largest health care overhaul in 40 years.

~Convinced the House to support work-life balance policies with the passage of the Federal Employees Paid Parental Leave Act. Advocates also supported extending coverage of the Family and Medical Leave Act to flight attendants, who had been previously excluded from the law's protections, and we celebrate the extension's enactment this week.

In the past year, AAUW has made great progress on fair pay, education, and a host of other issues. We have made our voices heard, but our work is far from over. AAUW's Action Network (http://www.aauw.org/advocacy/issue_advocacy/) makes it easy for advocates to influence Congress to act on issues critical for equity for women and girls. If you have not already done so, join the Action Network today.

Please note, if you are reading this newsletter on line, you can click on any web address and you will be routed to the applicable website.

- *Erlaine Eltomi and Jane Miller*, Co-Chairs



DOLLAR\$ FOR \$SCHOLAR\$

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

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TAKE PICTURES AT YOUR EVENT!

VISIT ARTISANS IN ST. LOUIS AT HERBARIA AND SKIF – Friday, February 12 at 2:00 PM (Carpool 1:00 PM) Cost: \$10

Join us for a relaxing afternoon at two unique boutiques of handmade items.

First, at Herbaria, we will have a presentation (seating available) on the history of soap and the art of handcrafter natural soap-making unique to Herbaria. Enjoy the pure pleasure of browsing in this fragrant shop – just in time for Valentine's Day gift-giving!

Second, we will go just next-door to Skif and get an inside-the-scenes look and gather information about this international custom-designed knitware clothing and accessory manufacturer.

"Happy Hour" (optional – cost not included) will follow at a location to be announced. To join the fun, contact Mary Jermak (636-532-3040, mgjermak@earthlink.net) or Diane Correll (636-458-6316, dcorrell01@charter.net)

DIRECTIONS: Carpool from Trinity Lutheran Church. For driving directions to Herbaria, at 2016 Marconi on "The Hill", contact Mary or Diane.

TOUR THE HISTORIC ST. LOUIS CENTRAL LIBRARY (1301 Olive Street, St. Louis) FRIDAY, MARCH 12 - 10:30 AM, (Carpool: 9:30 AM), Cost: \$10.00 - Lunch: Maggie O'Brien's, 2000 Market Street (cost not included)

This library, designed by famed architect Cass Gilbert, is more than a collection of books. See what architectural beauties, historic connections, and literary surprises reside at 1301 Olive – tour includes the Special Collections and the Steedman Room.

Sign up at the branch meeting or call Judy Green (314-878-4897) or contact Barb Tackitt (636-343-0657, harvibarb@charter.net) to register or to receive additional information. (Back-up: Bette Bude (314-878-7642, dabb@sbcglobal.net).

NOTE: Ours will be one of the last tours to see the historic library as is, since renovations begin in the early spring and the library will be closed during the extensive work.

DIRECTIONS: (Carpool from Trinity Lutheran Church, or meet us – log on to www.slpl.org for directions from your home.

THE 2010 TEA WILL PUT "A SONG IN YOUR HEART" - Friday, April 9, 12:00 – 2:00 PM, 728 Stonebluff Court, Chesterfield (Jeanne Miller's home (636-537-5384) Cost: \$25)

Come indulge in a delicious Tea Lunch while being immersed in the music of the tables and supporting Dollars for Scholars. Make reservations by sending your check to Jayne Kasten, 11442 Daykin Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146 or call 314-991-5334.

DIRECTIONS: From Clarkson and Baxter go west on Baxter for 0.7 miles; look for white stone pillars and turn right into the Knolls of Stone Hill (a gated community. but gates will be open). Immediately turn left to #728, (the sixth mailbox on the right).

PLEASE CARPOOL SINCE PARKING IS LIMITED.

HIGH TEA PREVIEW – Thursday, April 8, 6:30 – 8:00 PM Cost: \$15

If you cannot attend the High Tea because April 9 is already booked OR if the attendance list is "SOLD OUT," plan to attend Preview Night to tour the beautifully decorated tables. Enjoy wine and cheese/crackers while visiting and enjoying the gorgeous creativity that is part of our branch High Tea each year. If there are cancellations for High Tea, those participating in the Preview Party will be given the opportunity to pay the additional \$10 and attend High Tea the next day. (There is no waiting list this year...)

You won't want to miss this elegant event -- we know you will LOVE it!

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

Our committee can help you with computer skills from simple organizing, setup or email to desktop publishing and digital picture management to (strictly confidential) financial records--right in your own home on your own computer! So put your "laundry list" of questions together and contact Pat Shores (636-938-3958, apatriciashores@att.net) or Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com) to arrange a visit from one of our "member-experts" today!

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

“OUT-TO-LUNCH” GROUP, 3rd Wednesdays
February 17 – 11:30 AM – Lafayette Fire
Company Number One, 1801 Park Ave.
Carpool from Trinity Lutheran Church at 10:45 AM.

This month we are going to a new restaurant that just opened in December. It is owned by a group of firefighters and is decorated with fire house memorabilia. Come and join your AAUW friends for a fun time on a cold wintery day.

There will be a sign up sheet at the February branch meeting at the membership table. For information or to make a reservation if you cannot sign up, call Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520).

DIRECTIONS: From Trinity Lutheran Church turn left on Clayton and then turn at the second light to head south on Hwy 141. Take 141 to east on Interstate 44. Exit 44 at Jefferson heading north to the second street on the right which is Park. Turn right and go past Lafayette Park to 18th Street. The restaurant is on the northwest corner across from Squires.

SCRABBLE GROUP (2nd Wednesdays—11:00 AM) Feb. 10: Scrabble followed by lunch will begin at 11:00 AM. Please RSVP to Alberta Murstein, (314-997-0758, amurst1788@aol.com).

PLAY READERS GROUPS

PLAY READERS – (3rd Mondays – 12:45 PM)
Feb. 15 – 14872 Sycamore Manor, Chesterfield
(Becky Kruse’s home: 636-519-9287)

DIRECTIONS From Clayton and Woods Mill go west on Clayton Road. Turn right onto Schoettler Road (To the left is Henry Rd.) Go past Logan College (on your left), over a small bridge and turn right onto Sycamore Manor Dr. It is the 4th house on the right (a one-story grey... next door to a 2-story white colonial).

PLAY READERS, TOO! – (1st Fridays – 1:00 PM) Feb. 5 – 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.

CONTACT AAUW

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

BRIDGE GROUPS

BRIDGE I (1st Wednesdays)

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

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

Feb. 16: Call Karen Sewall (636-451-6178)

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

Feb. 24: Call Jean Wagner (636-227-7658)

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

Feb. 2: Call Sandy Camillo (314-229-4525)

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

Feb. 9: Call Sue Eastes (636-779-2807)

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

Feb 15: Call Elaine Frost (314-432-0899)

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

Feb. 10: Call Pat Bishop (636-405-1760)

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

Hearth Room Café – Feb. 23: Call Nancy Remley-Wilhelm (636-519-0391)

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)

MOVIE GROUP – (4th Thursdays – 10:00 AM)

Jan. 28 – 816 Mason Wood Drive, Town and Country
(Sandy Camillo’s home: 314-576-5687)

Movies to be discussed are: An Education, Precious, Up in the Air, Invictus, It’s Complicated, and The Young Victoria.

Feb. 25 - 535 Fairways Circle (Doris Nistler’s home: 314-692-7281). See March newsletter for further information.

GOLF – 1st, 2nd & 3rd Mondays, April through October
- SIGN UP NOW!

All skill levels above beginner are welcome! Play 9 or 18 holes, and come as often as you can. Golfers are notified of play dates via phone or e-mail, so to get on the list and in on the fun, please contact Joyce Katz (joyka234@aol.com), Bev Wait (wait89@aol.com), or Carolyn Baker (314-432-2576).

FIND AAUW ON THE INTERNET

AAUW National website: <http://www.aauw.org>

AAUW-MO website: <http://www.aauwmo.org>

Metropolitan St. Louis Interbranch Council website:

AAUWStLouisIBC.com

Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch website:

<http://www.aauwballwin-chesterfield.org>

Special Interest Groups (Continued)

EXPRESSIONS – (1st Tuesdays – 1:00 PM) HEARTS FOR HEROES - Tuesday, February 2 , 1:00 - 3:00 PM at Rockwood Bank

Honor an American Veteran with a valentine for Valentine's Day. Create a one-of-a-kind valentine designed especially by you for an American veteran who has made the ultimate sacrifice in defending the freedoms we enjoy in this wonderful country. Here is an opportunity to show your appreciation, respect and love for someone who should never be forgotten - an American veteran.

SUPPLIES TO BRING - Scissors, glue, heart-shaped patterns, any valentine decorative paper, stickers or ribbon you may already have.

All of the above will be provided, so don't allow lack of materials on hand or even a lack of creativity keep you from coming to this activity. There will be a \$3.00 charge for materials, which you can pay when you come. Valentines we make will be sent to the Veterans' Administration Services at Jefferson Barracks. They will be used as decorations and distributed at the Valentine Concert being held at the Barracks on Valentine's Day.

RSVP: Rosann Swaringim (636-240-7839) or e-mail (rosannms@charter.net)

DIRECTIONS: Take Manchester Rd. west from Clarkson to Hwy 109. Exit, then turn left, going south on 109 about 1 mile. Rockwood Bank is on left. Turn into drive on south side of bank and park in rear.

BOOK GROUPS – download the 2009-10 book lists from aauwballwin-chesterfield.org, "Interest Groups" page or contact the individual sponsors. Need help? Call 314-878-4521.

LITERATURE I (3rd Thursdays – 9:30 AM) Feb. 18 – 520 South Brentwood Blvd., 1A (Rea Kleeman's home: 314-727-7374).

A discussion of *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle* by David Wroblewski will be led by Marcia Block.

DIRECTIONS: Go east on Rt. 64/40, exit on Brentwood Blvd, and go north. Pass Clayton Rd. and at the 2nd light north of Clayton, (6 blocks) turn right on Orlando Dr. Condo 1A is on the left. Park behind the condo or on the south side of Orlando Drive, or on the north side of Rosiline Drive, the next street north. At the door press #01. *This group is closed due to the large number of members. For information, call Ruth Griffin (636-394-1344, griff2335@charter.net.)*

LITERATURE II (4th Mondays - 10:00 AM) Feb. 22 – 12264 Country Manor Lane, Creve Coeur (Pat Corich's home: 314-434-4071).

A discussion of *The Whistling Season* by Ivan Doig will be led by Susie Teicher.

DIRECTIONS: Take 270 to the Olive St. Exit, go west. Pass St. Monica's Church and turn LEFT at Pulaski's Savings (do not go past it) as this is Country Manor Lane. *Follow Country Manor and it will curve to your left. My house is on the right at the top of the hill.* Going East on Olive, turn right on Country Manor Lane on the East side of Pulaski Savings and Loan and follow the directions above from * to *. *We welcome all readers! To learn more, contact Joyce Katz (314-878-4521, joyka234@aol.com), or Erlaine Eltomi, (636-537-2736, erlaine@charter.net).*

READING REALITY (2nd Tuesdays – NOTE RETURN TO ORIGINAL TIME: 1:30 PM) Feb. 9 – 1613 Baxter Lane Circle, Chesterfield (Mary McFarland's home: 636-530-0483).

A discussion of *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell will be led by Mary McFarland.

DIRECTIONS: From Clayton and Baxter or Clarkson and Baxter -- take Baxter to Old Baxter Rd.; turn left if you are coming from Clarkson or right if you are coming from Clayton Rd, follow Old Baxter Rd. to Baxter Lane and turn right. Go all the way to the end of the lane and turn right on Baxter Lane Circle. We are the 3rd house from the corner. *To learn more about this non-fiction book group, contact Marcia Block (314-962-5575, mhbblock@sbcglobal.net).*

BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB (BBC) (First Mondays, 10:00 AM) February 1 - 457 Maymont Dr., Ballwin, 63011 (Rose Bingaman's home: 636-391-9077).

A discussion of *The Longest Trip Home* by John Grogan, newspaper journalist and author of the bestseller, *Marley and Me*.

DIRECTIONS: From Trinity Lutheran Church turn left on Clayton Rd. and go left on Henry. Turn right at the 3rd street (Spring Meadows) and then turn right at the 2nd street which is Maymont. 457 is a two-story house on the right across from Sunstone Dr. *This group will read and discuss biographies, autobiographies, and memoirs of famous people (men and women, alive or deceased). This group is open to all members. Call Yvonne Morrison (636-391-6026) or Harriett Hirschfeld (636-458-1520) for more information.*

POETRY GROUP – – NEW GROUP! (3rd Wednesday - 9:30 AM) February 17 – 6334 Pershing Ave., (Dorothy Doyle's home: 314-721-8056)

me and listen to beautiful words to pamper your heart. All you need is a love of poetry. Please let Dorothy know if you will attend at djdoyle@earthlink.net. *Please contact Sandy Camillo (314-576-5687) if you have questions.*

DIRECTIONS: Take Rt. 40 East to the McCausland Exit and drive North (becomes Skinker). Pass Washington U. Cross Forest Park Blvd. Get in the left-turn lane and make an immediate left on to Pershing.

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	1 10:00 AM BIOGRAPHY BOOK CLUB	2 9:30 AM <u>BRIDGE IV</u> 1:00 PM EXPRESSIONS	3 <u>BRIDGE I</u>	4 9:30 AM BOARD MEETING	5 1:00 PM PLAY READERS TOO!	6
7	8	9 9:30 AM <u>BRIDGE V</u> 10:45 AM INTERNATIONAL <u>RELATIONS</u> 1:30 PM READING REALITY	10 10:00 <u>DUP. BRIDGE</u> 11:00 AM SCRABBLE	11 8:45 AM BRANCH MEETING	12 2:00 PM HERBARIA AND SKIF TOURS	13
14	15 10:00 <u>BRIDGE VI</u> 12:45 PM PLAY READERS	16 11:00 AM BRIDGE II 11:45 AM DOWNTOWN LUNCH	17 9:30 AM <u>POETRY GROUP</u> 11:30 AM OUT-TO-LUNCH	18 9:30 AM LITERATURE I	19	20
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