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## **Kirkwood–Webster Groves Branch Newsletter**

**December 2014 No. 4**

### ***Branch Holiday Celebration***

***Thursday, December 11, 2014, 5-7 p.m.***

**FAIR TRADE SHOPPING AT PLOWSHARING CRAFTS, 137 W. Jefferson, Kirkwood**

***Our branch will get credit for purchases all day Dec. 11 by anyone shopping at Plowsharing if the shopper tells the clerk it is for AAUW—pass the word to your friends and family!***

**DINNER AT THE JEFFERSON GRILL, 7 p.m., 127 W. Jefferson, Kirkwood**

***Make reservations by Dec. 8 with Phyllis Foster, pl.foster@live.com or 314-822-2282***

***Please bring canned or nonperishable food items to this meeting for the Kirk Care Food Pantry. Because of new AAUW fund-raising guidelines, cash or gift card donations cannot be made as a branch activity.***

### **INTEREST GROUPS**

#### **AAUW KWG Evening Book Group**

Meets third Mondays. Contact Kay Meyer, 314-962-7487 or kicmeyer51@gmail.com, for more information.

December: No meeting

January 19: *The Goldfinch*, by Donna Tartt. This meeting will be hosted by Jean Shull at her new residence, The Glen at Aberdeen Heights, 505 Couch Ave., Kirkwood 63144. The meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. Members may bring a brown bag supper if they so choose.

February 16: *The Whistling Season*, by Ivan Doig

March 16: *The Scarlet Sisters*, by Myra MacPherson

April 20: *Still Foolin' Em*, by Billy Crystal

May 18: Planning and book selection meeting

June 15: *Peace Like a River*, by Leif Enger

#### **AAUW Adelante Reading Group**

Meets fourth Thursdays at 1:30 p.m., at Barnes & Noble, 1600 Clarkson Rd. Contact Teri Brecht, tebrecht@yahoo.com, for more information.

November and December: No meeting

January 23: *Orphan Train*, by Christina Baker Kline. Reviewer: Julie Triplett

February 26: *The Round House*, by Louise Erdrich. Reviewer: Sharon Gill

March 26: *My Beloved World*, by Sonia Sotomayor. Reviewer: Linda Roberson

April 23: *Calla Lilies*, by Kay Corbett. Reviewer: Phyllis Guberman

May 28: *The Faith Club*, by Rayna Idliby, Suzanne Oliver, and Priscilla Warner. Reviewer: Carol Davis McDonald



## **AAUW IBC Downtown Lunch Group**

Meets third Tuesdays at 11:45 a.m. Contact Kay Meyer for reservations: 314-962-7487 or kicmeyer51@gmail.com.

December 16: Panorama at the St. Louis Art Museum, One Fine Arts Drive in Forest Park. Parking is available in the underground garage with a \$5 rebate from Panorama. (Note change of location. Jimmy's on the Park no longer serves lunch.)

## **International Relations Lecture Series**

Meets second Tuesdays January-April at the Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd. (see flyer attached)

January 13: "The End of the Ottoman Empire"

February 10: "The Status of Women in the World"

March 10: "Will 3-D Printing Change the World?"

April 14: "The State of Our Oceans"

## **NEWS**

### **Member News**

Jean Shull is recuperating at The Glen at Aberdeen Heights, 505 Couch Ave., Kirkwood, MO 63122, Rm. 56B, phone 314-909-6058.

Nancy Hutchins is halfway through chemotherapy and is in good spirits.

Two members of the AAUW-MO state board, Holly Burgess of Columbia and Pam Burke of Kansas City, died recently. Our deepest sympathy is extended to their families.

Mary Davis has a new address: 1428 Bruno Ave., Richmond Heights 63117. Email and cell phone number remain the same.

### **St. Louis Metro Interbranch Council**

The IBC will sponsor a woman college student to attend AAUW's National Conference for College Women Student Leaders in the spring. Students who have attended in the past tell us that the experience has been life-changing for them. Money for this sponsorship is designated in the IBC budget, and branches contribute as well. Individual contributions are welcomed. Contact Carol Davis McDonald, IBC treasurer.

The IBC Spring Fling will be at The Highlands Golf and Tennis Clubhouse in Forest Park, 5143 Clayton Ave., St. Louis 63112, on Saturday, March 21, 2015.

### **AAUW Dues**

Reminder: If you haven't renewed yet, you can do so online through [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org), or mail dues with your check made out to AAUW (not Kirkwood-Webster Groves AAUW) to Carol Davis McDonald, 827 Bergquist Dr., Manchester, MO 63011. Dues are \$74 (\$49 national, \$10 state, \$15 branch). If you would like to make a donation to AAUW Funds, you may do so online when you pay your dues or send Carol a separate check, payable to AAUW Funds.



## **Pecans**

Cinnamon glazed and glazed pecans are still available. Contact Carol Davis McDonald, 636-227-0511, [davis-mcdonald@juno.com](mailto:davis-mcdonald@juno.com)

## **CALENDAR**

### **Mark your calendar now for upcoming branch programs!**

January: No branch meeting

January 6: Branch board meeting, home of Gloria Campion

February 12: Branch meeting, Oak Bend Branch Library. Guest speaker: Civil Rights Attorney Denise Lieberman

March 21: Interbranch Council Spring Fling luncheon at The Highlands Golf and Tennis Clubhouse in Forest Park, 5143 Clayton Ave., St. Louis 63112

April 9: Branch meeting, Oak Bend Branch Library. STEM awards to high school girls; annual business meeting and election of officers; guest speaker TBA

May 14: Annual Awards Banquet, the Jefferson Grill

### **Other events**

December 1: Deadline for year's contributions to AAUW Funds

December 31: Deadline for National Convention best value registration fees

January 9-10: Legislative retreat, Columbia (see flyer attached)

January 24: AAUW Missouri board meeting

June 18-21: National Convention, San Diego

### **Websites**

Branch: [kwg-mo.aauw.net](http://kwg-mo.aauw.net)

State: [aauw-mo.aauw.net](http://aauw-mo.aauw.net)

Interbranch Council: [stlouis-ibc.aauw.net](http://stlouis-ibc.aauw.net)

National: [aauw.org](http://aauw.org)

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The Tuesday Women’s Association of Ethical Society and the American Association of University Women present the:

## 2015 International Relations Lecture Series

Ethical Society of St Louis  
9001 Clayton Road  
St Louis, MO 63117

Each meeting will begin promptly at 10:45 in the lower meeting room. The public is cordially invited. There is no fee, but all contributions are greatly appreciated. Free parking is available in the rear of the building. The 45 – 50 minute lecture will be followed by a question and answer period. Attendees are invited to bring lunch and to stay and discuss the day’s topic. In case of inclement weather, you may call 314-991-0955, ext. 224

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January 13, 2015

### The End of the Ottoman Empire, the Creation of the Modern Middle East

*Speaker: Dr Tahmineh Entessar , Retired Assistant Director of the Graduate Program in International Relations, Webster University.*

What role did the politics of oil and the politics of containment of communism play in the creation and maintenance of the modern Middle East? How did the fall of the Soviet Union change the focus of the Western influence in the Middle East? How did these political events create the conditions for the development of terrorist groups? Dr Entessar will answer these questions and enlighten us on how these issues affect us and the world.

Coordinators: Marcia Cline, TWA; Roz Marx, AAUW



February 10, 2015

### The Status of Women in the World

*Speaker: Dr. Farida Jalalzai, Associate Professor and Chair of Political Science at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.*

This talk will focus on trends in women’s office holding worldwide. Dr. Jalalzai will analyze the factors related to women’s ascension to legislative and executive office holding and potential effects of women’s inclusion on policy outcomes and institutional practices. She will conclude that women’s presence in political offices offers tremendous democratic benefits for societies.

Coordinators: Carolyn Herkstroeter, AAUW; Kay Meyer, TWA & AAUW



March 10, 2015

## Will 3-D Printing Change the World

*Speaker: Warren Doherty, Market Wide Format Specialist at Konica Minolta*

The present possibilities of 3-D Printing are both alarming and inspiring, from the printing of working guns by individuals in homes to creating complex prosthetic body parts. How will such manufacturing be regulated? How will it affect economics, politics, war? Mr. Doherty, from a background of 23 years in the printing and copying field, will explain how this revolutionary technology works, what it has produced in the past, what it is doing in the present, and how it could affect our world in the future.

Coordinators: Susie Teisher, AAUW; Kayla Vaughan, TWA

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April 14, 2015

## Shattered Arctic Ocean in Peril

*Speaker: Randall Hyman, Fulbright Scholar in Journalism*

Randall Hyman has covered the Arctic environment since 1980 for a range of publications, from Smithsonian Magazine to National Geographic Books. In 2013 he traveled four months across the High Arctic as a Fulbright Scholar and guest of the Norwegian Polar Institute, and then returned in August 2014 as a guest of the National Science Foundation. With each trip to the High North, he has found another reason to return, drawn by the region's austere beauty and perilous future. The Arctic Ocean, in particular, serves as a crystal ball for the rest of the planet, a reservoir of change, vast yet fragile, and severely impacted by global human activity. In his presentation, Mr. Hyman examines warming waters, melting sea ice and the secret lives of deep-water clams as harbingers of the future we are forging for our entire planet

Coordinators: Ruth Hyman, TWA; Kathy Kendrick, TWA



**SAVE THE DATE**

## WOMEN'S ISSUES LEGISLATIVE RETREAT

***"The State of Politics for Women in Missouri"***

**Saturday, January 10, 2015\*  
9:00 am to 2:30 pm**

**Hy-Vee Grocery Conference Room  
405 E Nifong Blvd.  
Columbia MO  
(573-442-8595)**

***The agenda will include a review of the 2014 MO Legislative Session and a preview of the 2015 Session.***

***The 2014 mid-term national and state elections will be analyzed.***

***Legislation Priorities for the upcoming session will be determined.***

\*For those wishing to travel to Columbia the night before, the Stony Creek Inn is nearby.

To receive more information,  
e-mail [sbreeze@mindspring.com](mailto:sbreeze@mindspring.com) or  
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