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Kirkwood–Webster Groves Branch Newsletter February 2015 No. 6

Branch Meeting and Program

Guest Speaker, Civil Rights Attorney Denise Lieberman

Thursday, February 12, 2015

Oak Bend Branch Library, 842 S. Holmes Ave, St. Louis, MO 63122 Time: Social time and networking 6:30 p.m., program 7 p.m. Please bring nonperishable food items for donation to Kirk Care.

Denise Lieberman is a St. Louis lawyer and community activist who specializes in civil liberties, civil rights, and constitutional law. She serves as a staff attorney and Missouri Voter Protection Advocate for Advancement Project, a national civil rights and racial justice organization based in Washington, DC. She teaches courses on constitutional law and civil rights in the Department of Political Science and School of Law at Washington University. Previously the legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Eastern Missouri, Denise is active in causes supporting equality and civil rights. Denise was born and raised in University City, MO, and is a proud alumna of U. City High School.

Come and hear what an outstanding St. Louisan is currently working on as she discusses law and politics connected to gender and civil liberties.

INTEREST GROUPS

AAUW KWG Evening Book Group

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

February 16: The Whistling Season, by Ivan Doig. Meeting in the upstairs mezzanine of the

Dierbergs Des Peres Market on Manchester Road, address 1080 Lindemann Rd., Des Peres 63131.

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.

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, 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.

February 17: Ranoush (Syrian), 6501 Delmar Blvd., University City (314-726-6874)

March 17: Rooster (crepes), 3150 S. Grand, St. Louis, 63118 (314-772-3447)

April 21: Hendel's Market Café (American), 599 St. Denis Street, Florissant, 63031 (314-837-2304)

May 19: Ferguson Brewing Co. (American), 418 S. Florissant Rd., Ferguson, 63135 (314-521-2220)

June 16: Three Flags Tavern (American), 4940 Southwest Ave., St. Louis, 63110 (314-669-9222)

International Relations Lecture Series

Meets second Tuesdays, 10:45 a.m. January-April at the Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd. (see flyer attached)

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

In Memoriam: Pat Giles and Jean Shull



Our branch lost two special members recently: Pat Giles (L) and Jean Shull (R). See last month's newsletter for a remembrance of Jean. Patricia Giles (1932-2014) was a graduate of Washington University in St. Louis and a retired accountant and business owner. She played violin with the Town and Country Symphony Orchestra. With her husband she owned The Cheese Shop, now The Wine and Cheese Shop. She had been an officer of KWG and St. Louis branches and the Interbranch Council. Many of us fondly remember meeting at Pat's home, attending her concerts, and her bringing the branch finances into the computer age by using Quicken.

AAUW Dues

Reminder: If you haven't renewed yet, you can do so online through 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).

IBC Spring Fling

Registration is now open for the March 21 Spring Fling Luncheon sponsored by the St. Louis Metro Interbranch Council. The registration form is attached to this newsletter. This is always a fun event at a beautiful location (The Highlands at Forest Park this year). Come and enjoy mingling with AAUW members from across the area while having a delicious luncheon and hearing an entertaining speaker.



CALENDAR

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

March 21: St. Louis Metro Interbranch Council Spring Fling luncheon (see flyer attached)

April 9: Branch meeting, Oak Bend Branch Library. STEM awards to high school girls. Speaker TBA.

May 2: AAUW MO state meeting

May 14: Branch annual awards banquet, the Jefferson Grill, Kirkwood

June 18-21: AAUW Convention, San Diego

WEBSITES

Branch: kwg-mo.aauw.net

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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



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



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



AAUW ST. LOUIS METRO INTERBRANCH COUNCIL 2015 Spring Fling

Saturday, March 21, 2015, 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
The Highlands at Forest Park Golf Course Clubhouse
5163 Clayton Ave 63110

Dianne Moran as Rachel Carson: The Mother of the

Environmental Movement, AAUW Achievement Award Winner, 1956 Following 25 years as a St. Louis Zoo naturalist, Dianne Moran realized she could join her fascination with history and her dedication to the wild by becoming a living history performer. She has given hundreds of performances and is featured at festivals, museums and historic sites in the Midwest.

11 a.m. - Registration, Ticket Raffle for Baskets, Cash Bar 12 Noon - Welcome, Luncheon, Awards Presentation, and Program

Menu: Entrée choices of chicken piccata, pork medallions, or vegetarian option, Included are Mayfair salad, seasonal vegetable, whipped red potatoes, carrot cake, coffee and tea.

Luncheon cost is \$28 and guests are welcome

Baskets from our branches will be raffled off to support IBC

<u>Directions:</u> From 64/40 go north on Kingshighway to Hospital Drive and turn left.

Take a slight right onto Clayton Avenue and the first driveway past the Planetarium.

<u>Registration deadline March 6:</u> Mail form and check payable to AAUW Metro St.

Louis IBC, c/o Carol Davis McDonald, 827 Bergquist Dr., Manchester MO 65011-0511

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