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## **Kirkwood–Webster Groves Branch Newsletter May 2015 No. 9**

**Thursday, May 14 Branch Banquet  
6:00 p.m., Jefferson Grill, 127 W. Jefferson St., Kirkwood  
Program: “Three Women: The Treacherous, the Bold, and the Brilliant”  
Presented by Bev Schuetz**

**See reservation form attached. Deadline May 8!**

Meet three diverse but equally unique women: Peggy Shippen, the young, beautiful wife of Benedict Arnold, who orchestrated the betrayal of America and feigned madness in the process; Nellie Bly, the daring and talented investigative reporter, who gave voice to the voiceless by exposing the horrors in an insane asylum and spotlighting other scandals; and Marie Curie, renowned physicist and chemist, who was the first woman to win a Nobel prize and the only woman to win it in two fields. She pioneered research in radioactivity in the unwelcoming male-dominated scientific world. Enjoy the unforgettable stories of these three dramatically different but truly amazing women.

***KIRK CARE: Please note that this is the last opportunity of the season to bring donations of nonperishable food items to our meeting for Kirk Care, the local food pantry. The need is great! Please bring what you can!***

### **PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

I am coming to the end of my second term as the Kirkwood–Webster Groves AAUW Branch president. It has been an interesting 2 years with many changes. This time last year I was unable to attend the April and May meetings due to the pain from spinal stenosis and having back surgery May 1, 2014. Now I am able to drive and walk with very little pain. The wonderful thing about being in AAUW is the friends and support you have from fellow AAUW members. Everyone in the Kirkwood–Webster Groves Branch helped by running the meetings, getting out the newsletter, making calls, and doing whatever was necessary to keep the branch going. I want to thank Carol McDonald for being our finance VP, going to IBC meetings, giving people rides to meetings, printing and updating the directory and name tags, and taking care of the pecan sales. Many thanks to Lynne Roney for taking over the newsletter, helping out with programs, taking minutes at all the meetings, and always being ready to help. Thanks to Gloria Champion for chairing the Lackritz Award, for organizing the KWG STEM Awards, and having meetings in her home. Thanks to Nancy and Gene Hutchins for being membership VP and helping with the newsletter, for helping with the Book Club, and for always being there if I need a ride or someone to listen to me. Many thanks to Phyllis Foster for co-chairing AAUW Funds, arranging the December and May dinners, helping with the STEM Project, and being a delegate on the Lackritz Award Committee. Thanks to Barb Johnson for co-chairing AAUW Funds and the Book Group, for taking over bylaws and the



Star Awards, and for giving me rides to meetings. Thanks to Chris Nobbe and Nicholas Kirschman for setting up the projector for our meetings and coming up with great programs. I also want to thank everyone for all the phone calls, cards, food, and visits during my illness and while I was recovering. I am very blessed to have all my AAUW friends in my life. I am looking forward to the next 2 years as your president.

—Kay Meyer

## STEM AWARDS



*STEM Award Chair Gloria Campion and recipient Anna Marie Pyne*

Our STEM Award recipients will receive their certificates and stipend this month: on May 7 at 7 p.m. Autumn Martin of Maplewood–Richmond Heights High School and on May 21 at 8 a.m. Anna Marie Pyne of Affton High School.

Each young lady was selected by her high school counselor/faculty on the basis of our selection criteria. They will each receive an award certificate and a \$250 stipend with which to purchase texts or technology related to their undergraduate studies.

—Gloria Campion

## INTEREST GROUPS

### AAUW KWG Evening Book Group

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

May 18, 5:30 p.m.: The Book Club planning meeting will be at the Brentwood Library, 8765 Eulalie Ave., Brentwood, MO 63144 (behind the Brentwood City Hall). Food is allowed in the meeting room if you want to bring a bag dinner. A snack and bottled water will be provided. We will choose the books to read for the 2015-2016 year.

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.

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.

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

June 16: Hendel's Market Café (American), 599 St. Denis Street, Florissant, 63031 (314-837-2304)



### **AAUW LEGACY CIRCLE**

The AAUW Legacy Circle is how AAUW recognizes and honors those members and individuals who have provided for AAUW in their estate plans. Members choose to do this in many ways—naming AAUW as a beneficiary of an insurance policy or an IRA, providing for a set amount or a percentage in their will, or setting up a gift annuity. Missouri is thrilled to have 16 members. Complete information is on [aauw.org](http://aauw.org)., or by calling Sue Barley, National Legacy Circle Team member, 314-361-2920, [barley702@gmail.com](mailto:barley702@gmail.com). If you are attending the convention in San Diego, now is the time to join the Legacy Circle, so that you can be included in the special luncheon being planned for Legacy Circle members.

### **NEWS**

#### **Kirkwood–Webster Groves Branch Program Planning Meeting**

The planning meeting will be Thursday, June 18, 2015, at 11:30 a.m. at the Egg and I Restaurant, 11692 Manchester Rd., Des Peres, MO 63131. If you have a suggestion for a program or for special outings for the 2015-2016 year, please come to the planning meeting or send your idea to Christine Nobbe, 314-323-0053 or [nobbechristine@gmail.com](mailto:nobbechristine@gmail.com). Please RSVP to Kay Meyer at 314-962-7487 or [kicmeyer51@gmail.com](mailto:kicmeyer51@gmail.com) if you plan on attending the meeting.

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

The last meeting of the season will be Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at 7 p.m. at the Thornhill Branch, St. Louis County Library.

#### **Membership Renewal Time**

Send your renewal form (attached) and dues to Carol Davis McDonald, 827 Bergquist Dr., Manchester, MO 63011-4215.

#### **Hall of Famous Missourians**

Too few women are represented in the Hall of Famous Missourians at the State Capitol. Shirley Breeze is asking AAUW members to help get Maya Angelou selected for this honor, by sending an email to Speaker of the House John Diehl ([john.diehl@house.mo.gov](mailto:john.diehl@house.mo.gov)) with Maya Angelou indicated as your choice for the Hall of Famous Missourians.

#### **AAUW National Elections and Bylaws Proposals**

Make your voice heard in the national AAUW officer elections and proposed changes in the public policy program and bylaws. Membership requirements are again up for consideration in the bylaws section. Paper ballots may be requested, or voting may be done online. The Spring/Summer 2015 issue of *Outlook*, which recently arrived, contains all the information you need, or go to [www.aauw.org/resource/national-election](http://www.aauw.org/resource/national-election). Be sure to review the videos and résumés of the officer and board candidates. One local person, Sue Barley of Ballwin-



Chesterfield and St. Louis Branches, is a candidate for director. Here are a few highlights.

**Important deadlines:**

April 1-May 8—Dates to request a paper ballot (call 800-326-2289 or email connect@aauw.org; you will need your member number and voter PIN from the address area of the back cover of your *Outlook*)

April 15—Online voting begins (at [www.aauw.org/resource/national-election](http://www.aauw.org/resource/national-election); you will need your member number and voter PIN from your *Outlook*)

May 26—Date by which paper ballot must be postmarked

June 19—Online voting ends

**Some of the proposed bylaws changes:**

- Eliminate the degree requirement for membership
- Change the titles of AAUW’s national elected leadership from president and vice president to board chair and board vice chair
- Change the title of AAUW’s salaried administrator from executive director to chief executive officer

**Some of the proposed public policy program changes:**

- Add the term “sexual assault” to harassment and bullying
- Add the term “open and fair elections”
- Add the term “cultural diversity and inclusion”
- Remove the term “committed to the arts and humanities”

Please read this section of *Outlook* and bring any questions to our May banquet for discussion.

**CALENDAR**

May 8: Deadline to request a paper ballot for national AAUW elections.

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

May 24: St. Louis Metro Interbranch Council meeting

June 18: Branch program planning meeting

June 18-21: AAUW Convention, San Diego.

June 19: Online voting closes in national AAUW elections.

August 22: Women’s Equality Day brunch

**WEBSITES**

Branch: [kwg-mo.aauw.net](http://kwg-mo.aauw.net) | Interbranch Council: [stlouis-ibc.aauw.net](http://stlouis-ibc.aauw.net)

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

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### **AAUW Spring Banquet**

Our spring banquet will be held on Thursday, May 14, 2015 with registration beginning at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 6:30 and entertainment at 7:00. We will meet in the private room at The Jefferson Grill, 127 W. Jefferson in Kirkwood. Parking is next to the building.

The evening entertainment will be provided by Bev Schuetz who is a popular, dynamic speaker and an experienced performer. She will present "Three Women: The Treacherous, the Bold, and the Brilliant". Come and hear who these three famous women and why they are so famous.

The menu will be a choice of chicken with mashed potatoes or tilapia with rice. There will also be a choice of soup or salad. The vegetable will be green beans and a chocolate brownie dessert. Coffee or tea will accompany the meal. The cost is \$28 which includes the dinner, tax and gratuity. Please send your check to:  
Phyllis Foster 425 W. Woodbine Ave., Kirkwood, MO 63122 by May 8, 2015 MADE OUT TO P.J.'s Grill with your choice of menus. If there are any dietary concerns, please write them next to your choice of menus.

-----Chicken in wine sauce  
Mashed Potatoes

-----Tilapia  
Rice

-----Soup or Salad-----





# 28th ANNUAL EQUALITY DAY BRUNCH

**JOIN WOMEN ACTIVISTS  
ON THIS SPECIAL DAY!**

***Celebrating the 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
Women Getting the Vote***

**Presentations include Special Well-Known Speaker**

- Election and Legislative Issues
  - Political Action
  - Awards
- Women's Equity

**Saturday, August 22, 2015**

**10:00 am-2:00 pm**

(Registration begins at 9:30 am)

**Crowne Plaza Hotel/Clayton MO-7750 Carondelet-Crystal Ballroom**

Free hotel parking on orange level. For information, call 314-831-5359

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**Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Sign up for**

Brunch and Program	\$37.00*
Students	15.00
Educational Fund Donation	_____
Scholarship Fund Donation	_____
MWN Membership Dues	
Organization \$30	_____
Individual \$20	_____
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Make checks payable to Missouri Women's Network; mail to Julia Triplett, 401 Oakmont Circle, Ballwin MO 63011. Call Shirley Breeze (314-831-5359) or Pat Shores (636-938-3958) for additional information or late reservations. Limited number of late reservations.

\*Scholarships are available. **Deadline August 15, 2015.**

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## AAUW – KIRKWOOD-WEBSTER GROVES BRANCH

### Renewing Member Form - 2015-2016

Make check payable to: AAUW Kirkwood-Webster Groves Branch.

Mail your check and this completed form to: Carol Davis McDonald, 827 Bergquist Drive, Manchester, MO 63011-4215 (636-227-0511, 314-623-1847, or [davis-mcdonald@juno.com](mailto:davis-mcdonald@juno.com))

Note: If you choose to renew online ([www.aauwmo.org](http://www.aauwmo.org)), please complete the information portion below, noting changes or the same as the previous year, and send to Carol.

**The AAUW year is July 1–June 30. Please select from ONE of the dues categories and fees as follows:**

- **Branch Member dues: Association \$49 + State \$10 + Branch \$15 = \$74** \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Branch Member, **Life**: Association \$0 + State \$10 + Branch \$15 = \$25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Honorary Life (**50 year**): Association \$0 + State \$0 + Branch \$0 = \$0 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Dual Member, *Primary Branch in Another State*: Association \$0 + State \$10 + Branch \$15 = \$25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
My primary branch/state: \_\_\_\_\_
- Dual Member, *Primary Branch in Missouri*: Association \$0 + State \$0 + Branch \$15 = \$15 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
My primary branch: \_\_\_\_\_
- Student Affiliate (Undergraduate level, currently enrolled):  
Association \$17 + State \$3 + Branch \$8.50 = \$28.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

According to the IRS, \$46 (or \$23 if half price) of AAUW membership dues is a charitable contribution. Suggestion: Make a note for your 2015 tax folder.

At this time I would like to make the following AAUW Funds donations, which are tax-deductible charitable contributions and must be paid *by separate check*.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ AAUW Funds (please designate which program; programs listed below) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Branch Operating Expenses

Please **UPDATE** your personal information for the K-WG Branch membership directory.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

Municipality

Zip Code

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer that your branch newsletter be e-mailed \_\_\_\_\_, mailed \_\_\_\_\_, or both \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Employed F/T \_\_\_\_ Employed P/T \_\_\_\_ Retired (Title/Job/Retired from) \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name/Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Self-employed: F/T \_\_\_\_ P/T \_\_\_\_ (Business \_\_\_\_\_) Homemaker \_\_\_\_ Unemployed \_\_\_\_

Retired \_\_\_\_ Volunteer at: \_\_\_\_\_

(organizations)

<u>New Degree Rec'd</u>	<u>Area of Study</u>	<u>College or University</u>	<u>Year</u>
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Remarks, AAUW Interests, Awards, Achievements, Hobbies, Interests, Special Skills, Etc.(continue on reverse)

#### AAUW Funds

#9110 - **Gifts that are not restricted** to a specific fund support programs with the greatest needs.

#3999 - **Legal Advocacy Fund** (formerly a part of the AAUW Educational Foundation) Programs include: Legal Case Support, LAF Case Support Travel Grants, Campus Outreach Projects

#4336 - **Educational Opportunities Fund** (Formerly a part of the AAUW Educational Foundation) Programs include: Fellowships and Grants (American Fellowships, International Fellowships, Selected Professions Fellowships, Community Action Grants, Career Development Grants)

#9170 - **Eleanor Roosevelt Fund** (Formerly a part of the AAUW Educational Foundation) Research reports include: Why so Few? Women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics; How Schools Shortchange Girls; Hostile Hallways; Behind the Pay Gap

#4339 - **Leadership Programs Fund** (Formerly a part of the AAUW Leadership and Training Institute) Programs include: The National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL); Campus Action Projects; Campaign College

#4337 - **Public Policy Fund** (Formerly a part of the Association) Programs include: Government Relations; Civic Engagement; Field Organizing