



*"AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research"
AAUW is open to graduates who hold the associate, baccalaureate, or higher degree from a qualified college or university.*

The Kirkwood-Webster Groves Branch of AAUW supports the full range of the AAUW mission through its monthly program meetings, special interest groups, and public outreach events, by engaging in political action, collaborating with local organizations and educational institutions regarding AAUW topics, and by supporting area young women and girls directly. We are one of five branches in the St. Louis, MO, area that comprise the AAUW Metro Saint Louis Interbranch Council (IBC).

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[Click here to join our FB group](#)

**NO AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING
MONTHLY MEETINGS RESUME IN SEPTEMBER**

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

Program Planning for K-WG Meetings

Wednesday, August 8, 1 - 3 pm

Home of Marsha Koch

1742 Connemara Drive

(near Big Bend and Dougherty Ferry Roads)

All ideas are welcome!

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**K-WG Strategic Planning Meeting,**

**Thursday, August 16, 6:30 pm**

**Adams Place**

**120 W. Adams**

(above Sunset 44 restaurant)

Entrance on west side parking lot

**Member participation is encouraged!**

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31st Annual Equality Day Brunch

Saturday, August 25, 10 - 2 pm

Clayton Plaza Hotel

Register by Eventbrite or by check

See the attached flyer for details



**Message from
President Chris Nobbe**

**Welcome to the 2018-2019 AAUW
Year!**

AAUW has a new mission,
re-confirmed values, and four focus

areas. The Strategic Planning meeting on August 16 at 6:30pm will be used to help us, the Kirkwood-Webster Groves branch, figure out how we connect to the new plan and what we can do to support the AAUW mission, vision, values, and focus areas. Please come to the meeting with your thinking hats!

2018 Strategic Plan

Mission:

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Vision:

Equity for all.

Values:

Nonpartisan.
Fact-based.
Integrity.
Inclusion and intersectionality.

Strategic Focus Areas



Education & Training

Addressing the barriers and implicit biases that hinder advancement of women.



Economic Security

Ensuring livelihoods for women.



Leadership

Closing the gender gap in leadership opportunities.



Governance & Sustainability

Ensuring the strength, relevance, and viability of AAUW well into the future.

We are participating in the Kirkwood Greentree Festival! Save the Dates: September 15 and 16.

Saturday, September 15: 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, September 16: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: Kirkwood Park, 111 S. Geyer Road, 63122. A festival map is under development and will be posted soon.

We will be hosting an outreach table to get the word out about AAUW K-WG and need YOU to help out! Save the date and watch for more information.



Public Policy

The three major focuses of AAUW MO public policy are:

- Get Out the Vote
- The Protection and Enforcement of Title IX
- Closing the Gender Pay Gap

Pat Shores and Ellen Irons, state public policy chairs, will ask each branch to plan at least one activity around each of these focus areas.

The Missouri Women's Network legislative retreat will be on Saturday, January 12, in Columbia. Training will be featured on FASTdemocracy.com, a new program to track legislative action.

The annual lobby day/equity action day is Tuesday, April 16, at the state capitol.

Pecans

Carol is still storing pecans in her refrigerator! If you are ready for a refill, give her a call (636.227.0511) or a message (davis-mcdonald@outlook.com), and she will check her supply.

Chloe + Isabel Jewelry Fundraiser

We earned \$225!! Thanks to all who made purchases!

New AAUW Fundraiser for 2018

Beginning in October or November we can sell Texas Roadhouse gift cards and receive 10% of the sales. Denominations of the cards are as low as \$5.00. Check your Christmas list and think about giving gift cards for a dinner out. And buy some for yourself. More information later.

Board Meetings

All members are invited to Board Meetings. You may read and comment on the minutes from the July 26, 2018, Board Meeting at this link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/17D-cAoKThyYkID/T5sM0dbaXPdjyVXfP-fnRV670VEUY/edit?usp=sharing>

Social Media

Are you a member of our Closed Group on Facebook? The reason we have a closed group is to share things we want members to see but not the general public. Here is the link:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/327845301018040/?source_id=278939135887541 Once you arrive on the page, ask to join with the blue +Join Group button.

Follow AAUW on Twitter <https://twitter.com/AAUW>

St. Louis Metro AAUW Interbranch Council (IBC)

The first IBC Board Meeting of the 2018-2019 year will be on August 28 at 7pm at the Bridgeton Trails Branch Library, 3455 McKelvey Rd, Bridgeton, MO.

IBC Meet & Eat Lunch

AAUW Meet & Eat Lunch Group meets the Third Tuesday of the Month at 11:45am. Please **RSVP** to Kay Meyer 314-962-7487 or kicmeyer51@gmail.com

August 21- Fredericks Steakhouse & Pizzeria, 12490 St Charles Rock Rd, Bridgeton, 63044, 314-733-5500

September 18 - Vicia, 4260 Forest Park Ave. Cortex Innovation Community, 63108, 314-553-9239 (American)

October 16 - Sister Cities Cajun & BBQ, 3550 South Broadway, St. Louis 63118, 314-405-0447

November 20 - J's Pitaria, 5003 Gravois Ave., St. Louis 63116, Bevo Neighborhood, 314-339-5319 (Bosnian)

December 18 - Surf & Sirloin, 13090 Manchester Rd., Des Peres, 63131, 314-822-3637

AAUW of Missouri Urges Voters to Reject Proposition A: "Right-To-Work" Referendum

Summary: On August 7, Missouri voters will vote to approve or reject a measure that could have lasting effects for Missouri's labor unions. Approval of Proposition A would make Missouri a "right-to-work" state. Backers of these laws claim they prevent workers from being required to join a labor union or pay dues to a labor union as a condition of employment, but federal law already makes that illegal, and "right-to-work" policies actually make it harder for workers to form unions.

AAUW of Missouri (AAUW-MO) recommends voting NO on Missouri Proposition A.

AAUW's 2017-2019 Public Policy Priorities promote "economic self-sufficiency for all women," including "pay equity and fairness in compensation and benefits." Union membership helps increase wages for all workers through the power to bargain collectively for better wages, benefits, and working conditions. "Right-to-

work" policies weaken unions, leading to lower wages for everyone. Research shows that the gender pay gap is smaller between men and women who are union members. Women in Missouri continue to earn less than their male colleagues – just 78 cents for every dollar men earn. A "right-to-work" law could widen this gap even further, and lead to economic instability for women across our state.

Support Women via [Shower To The People](#)

K-WG will continue to collect donations of **NEW**, alcohol-free hygiene products for women. Items brought to a meeting will be delivered by Nancy Hutchins. You can also donate online at <http://www.showertothepeople.net/donate/>

Applications for 2019–20 AAUW Fellowships and Grants Are Now Open!

Know any women pursuing postgraduate studies, furthering their careers, or working on a program to benefit women and girls? Point them to our fellowships and grants applications. Deadlines run from November to December.

<https://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/>

Strategic Plan

The AAUW Strategic Plan is created through an inclusive process involving the AAUW Board of Directors and staff. The goals, indicators of success, and strategies reflect an integrated approach to fulfilling our mission, vision, and value promise. As AAUW continues to move forward in a changing world, so have our Strategic Plan and our Vision Statement. Learn more:

<https://www.aauw.org/who-we-are/strategic-plan/>

Calendar

You can now access all of our calendar events digitally! Go to <https://kwg-mo.aauw.net/calendar/> to see the calendar. You can add it to your calendar by clicking on the + sign in the lower right corner.

August 2018 - National Back-to-School Month

- 7 Black Women's Equal Pay Day
- 8 KWG Program Planning Meeting
- 16 KWG Strategic Planning Meeting
- 21 IBC Meet & Eat
Fredericks Steakhouse & Pizzeria
- 25 MO Women's Network 30th Annual
Women's Equality Day Brunch
- 28 IBC Board Meeting

**September 2018 - Hispanic Heritage Month
(September 15 to October 15)**

- 14 Greentree Festival Setup
- 15 Greentree Festival
- 16 Greentree Festival
- 18 Meet & Eat
- 20 Branch Meeting
- 23 National Voter Registration Day
- 27 Adelante Book Group, 1:30pm – 3:00pm, Barnes & Noble, 1600 Clarkson Rd, Chesterfield, MO
- 29 AAUW MO Board Meeting

October 2018 - National Depression Education & Awareness Month

- 16 Meet & Eat
- 18 Branch Meeting
- 25 Adelante Book Group

November 2018 - National Native American Heritage Month

- 15 Branch Meeting
- 20 Meet & Eat
- 27 IBC Board Meeting

December 2018 - Universal Human Rights Month

- 17 Gift-wrapping at Barnes & Noble for IBC, 10am – 8pm
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- 19 Gift-wrapping at Barnes & Noble for IBC, 10am – 8pm
- 20 Gift-wrapping at Barnes & Noble for IBC, 10am – 8pm

Credit for National Months:

<https://nationaldaycalendar.com/>

You are invited you to the *Midwest Human Trafficking Conference, on Friday, September 28, 2018 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm* at Spellman Center, Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room, Lindenwood University.

About the Conference:

The conference will bring together multidisciplinary professionals from law enforcement, the legal profession, child protective services, victim advocacy agencies, traumatic stress organizations, medical and mental health/treatment providers, youth-serving organizations, school administration, educators and school counselors, faith groups, and the public to;

- Ø Gain basic understanding and knowledge of human trafficking, and the prevalence and pervasiveness of human trafficking in the St Louis Metropolitan area,
- Ø Identify vulnerabilities that traffickers exploit to recruit and traffic persons, and the role and impact technology has on this process, including manipulative strategies,
- Ø Recognize the neurobiological impact of trauma within relational development and growth, the ability to function in different social environments, and learn strategies and tools to successfully serve victims of trafficking,

More specifically, it will look at potential solutions based on trauma-informed and victim-centered approaches for working with youth victims of human trafficking across multiple environments. **Also, the conference will provide POST certification for law enforcement and CLE certification for attorneys.**

Conference Presenters:

- Opening remarks will be delivered by: Mr. Timothy Lohmar, St. Charles Prosecuting Attorney, and Howard J. Marcus, Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney with the National Security/Child Exploitation Section.
- Individual sessions will be informed by a series of keynote speakers, including: TC Cassidy, Director of Organizational Advancement, National Safe Place Network, and Debi Grebenik, Chief Learning Officer of Alia.

Vision for the Conference:

An important aim of this conference is to **offer networking opportunities from all over the Midwest region**. Through your participation, you can help our communities better understand that human trafficking is an ethics and human rights issue, a problem that ruins the lives of everyone it touches, an issue demanding to be recognized as a public health concern, and a matter that needs to be addressed in an active social and educational platform.

Conference Registration and Scholarship Support:

To register, please visit <http://yellowbutterflystl.org/>. The conference admission fee is \$20 including lunch and snack. There are some scholarships available to cover the conference fee for those who are eligible. Email your scholarship questions and requests to stostami@yellowbutterflystl.org by 5:00 pm on Friday, September 21, 2018.

We very much look forward to seeing you at the *Midwest Human Trafficking Conference* on **Friday, September 28, 2018** at Lindenwood University. Attached, please find the flyer and agenda for the conference.

From:

Shima Rostami- Gateway Human Trafficking (GHT)

Emily Russell - Trafficking Task Force, Missouri Attorney General's Office

Mary Delworth Morris - Assistant Attorney General, Missouri Attorney General's Office

Jennifer A. Winfield - U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Missouri

Teresa A. Moore - U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Missouri

Jillian S. Anderson - St. Charles County Office of the Prosecuting Attorney

AAUW – KIRKWOOD-WEBSTER GROVES BRANCH

New Member Form – 2018-2019

Welcome to Kirkwood-Webster Groves Branch! Please provide the following membership information:

Full Name: _____ Preferred First Name for Nametag: _____

Address: _____ Birthday: _____

(Street) (City) (Zip) (mm/dd)

Preferred phone: ___ Home # _____ ___ Cell # _____ Email: _____

Preferred method for receiving branch and state newsletters: ___ Email ___ USPS

Degree	Area of Study	College/University	Year

The AAUW year is July 1 – June 30. Membership paid after March 15 extends through June 30 of the following year; i.e., 2019.	Association (National)	Missouri (State)	Kirkwood -Webster Groves	Total	Choose One
New Member	\$59*	\$10	\$15	\$84	
New Dual Member Primary Branch: _____	n/a	\$10 or n/a	\$15	\$15	
Special 2018 Membership Campaigns					
Shape-the-Future (join Mar 16-Dec 31)	\$29.50*	\$10	\$15	\$54.50	
Current Graduate Student	\$18.81*	\$10	\$15	\$43.81	
Give a Grad-a-Gift (min. 2-year Associate)	\$0	\$0	\$15	\$15	
Undergraduate Student Affiliates					
Student's school is an AAUW C/U partner member	Free online	\$3	\$6	\$9	
Student's school is not an AAUW C/U partner member	\$18.81*	\$3	\$6	\$27.81	
Representative at an AAUW C/U Partner Member joining branch/state	Incl in C/U Membership	\$10	\$15	\$25	
Current AAUW Member-at-Large joining branch/state	Incl in MAL dues	\$10	\$15	\$25	

*IRS regulations allow part of your dues to be deducted as a charitable contribution:

\$56.00 of \$59.00; \$26.50 of \$29.50; \$16.81 of \$18.81.

Suggestion: Make a note for your 2018 tax folder.

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**Want help with this form? Call K-WG Finance VP Carol Davis McDonald:
636-227-0511**

Mail this completed form with your check payable to AAUW to:

*Carol Davis McDonald
827 Bergquist Drive
Manchester, MO 63011-4215*

Optional: Please provide additional personal information for the Kirkwood-Webster Groves Branch membership directory to help us learn more about you and your accomplishments.

Employment Status: ___ Retired from Job Title/Company: _____

Employed ___ F/T ___ P/T ___ Self at Company Name/Number: _____

Volunteer work:

What would you like us to know about you? (e.g., family, AAUW interests, publications, awards, achievements, hobbies, interests, special skills, etc.)

MISSOURI WOMEN'S NETWORK

Presents

31st Annual
EQUALITY DAY
BRUNCH

98th Anniversary of Women
Winning the Vote

Saturday, August 25, 2018

10:00 am - 2:00 pm (registration begins at 9:30 am)

Clayton Plaza Hotel - 7750 Carondelet - Clayton, MO 63105

Free hotel parking on Orange Level



Legislative Updates ★ Legacy Tributes ★ Equality Day Awards

This year's awards go to Ellen Alper, Sonja Gholston-Byrd, Jane Mudd and the Hon. Stacey G. Newman

For more information contact Pat Shores at apatriciashores@att.net

Register at Eventbrite or by Postal Mail

Registration Form:

Organization

Name

Address

City/State/Zip

Email

Phone

Sign up for:

Brunch and Program \$40

Brunch and Program - Student Rate \$20

MWN Organization Dues \$30

MWN Individual Dues \$20

MWN Educational Fund Donation
(Tax Deductible) _____

Total _____

Make checks payable to: Missouri Women's Network
Mail to: Julie Triplett, 401 Oakmont Circle, Ballwin, MO 63011
Contact: julietrip@att.net