

Newsletter of the Kirkwood–Webster Groves Branch Founded April 1971 ~ Celebrating 53 Years!

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AAUW Mission: *AAUW advances gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.* **AAUW Vision:** *Equity for all.* **AAUW Values:** *Nonpartisan, fact-based, integrity, inclusion, and intersectionality.*

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 social action, collaborating with local organizations and educational institutions regarding AAUW topics, and supporting area young women and girls directly. We are one of five branches in the St. Louis, MO, area that comprise the AAUW Metro St Louis Interbranch Council (IBC).

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AAUW Metro St. Louis Interbranch Council

2024 Annual Spring Luncheon Saturday, March 23, 2024 – 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Happy March from the Annual Event Committee! Our event is fast approaching. Here is some information you should know:

During the luncheon, each branch is providing a raffle basket based on "A Day Out" adventure in each of our communities. You may purchase as many tickets as you like and then drop any number of tickets into the buckets of the baskets you'd like to win. You also may purchase tickets for a 50/50 drawing, and the Lottery Ticket Tree will be back this year!

Group picture times are expected to be listed on the program. We hope to take branch pictures simultaneously during the luncheon because Catering to You has enough space for us to spread out. This will avoid trying to assemble branches at the end of the event when we all prefer to chat and get ready to depart. Help us make this a success by listening for your branch's name to be called and where to meet!

We've included some detailed directions to the venue, Catering to You, as it is located in a plaza and not easy to spot. Remember to take the ramp on the right side of the building to the lower parking lot and enter the venue from there.

Our program will be presented by **Bev Schuetz**, a popular and dynamic speaker who has created HISTORY TALKS, a series of live presentations available to organizations. She is known for her unique topics, delightful presentations, and thoroughly researched programs. We know you will enjoy her presentation. If you haven't yet sent in your reservation, the sign-up form is included for your convenience. We are accepting registrations through March 8th. We look forward to seeing all of you on March 23rd and celebrating AAUW!



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fifelong learning ...

is defined as the intentional, ongoing pursuit of knowledge for personal or professional reasons. This learning beyond formal schooling can help people with employment opportunities, handling day-to-day problems, or simply give people personal fulfillment. Learning can be formal, as in a classroom or an online course, or by informal means such



Lynne

as learning from a friend, through reading, or from simple trial and error. There is a fancy term for learning on one's own: autodidacticism.

AAUW encourages lifelong learning and offers many opportunities to pursue knowledge and new skills. We need to take advantage of these chances to improve the quality of our lives.

Among the learning opportunities that are included in this newsletter are:

- The IBC Luncheon March 23 with speaker Bev Schuetz.
- Kirkwood-Webster AAUW STEM Scholarship branch meeting April 11.
- International Relations Lecture Series with the Tuesday Women's Association of the Ethical Society. The March 12th program is on Global Migration Trends and the Implications for the US Asylum System.
- The Adelante book group on March 28.
- Updates on pending legislation at the national and state level.
- In the past K-WG has offered computer skill training but much of that has been trial and error by individuals and phone calls to other members.

AAUW does offer opportunities to hone leadership skills in various roles throughout the branch structure from president to secretary to financial vice president to advocacy chair. The nominating committee is looking for good candidates. Is this one way you can continue to learn and to challenge yourself to make a difference in your own life and in the lives of women and girls everywhere?

And finally, AAUW gives us opportunities to learn from each other in formal and informal ways. These can be the discussions we have at meetings or informal contacts. Each of us has a wealth of personal knowledge that can help others. *"Intellectual growth should commence at birth and cease only at death,"* said Albert Einstein.

Jeanne and Lynne

NEWS FLASH!



<u>MEMBERSHIP</u> <u>NEWS</u> Debbie McWard



This could come under the heading of College University Relations, but it does overlap with Membership. **On Wednesday, April 17, the branch will be hosting a "Meet and Greet" at Webster University at noon.** This will be an opportunity for us to introduce students to AAUW and let them know of the benefits we offer them, such as scholarships, opportunities for advocacy, our support of women's issues and not least, the offer of free AAUW memberships for undergraduate students. We will also have a chance to meet faculty members and entice them to get their feet wet in AAUW affairs.

We will provide simple snacks and beverages. You are all welcome to participate but definitely some are needed. More information will be forthcoming. It's fun to be on campus and relive memories of student days.

Let me know if you will help.

Join us on March 23rd at the AAUW Metro St. Louis Interbranch Council luncheon as we celebrate Christine Nobbe as Kirkwood-Webster's Barbara Lackritz Award honoree.

As 2017-2021 president of the Kirkwood-Webster Groves Branch, Chris emphasized community outreach, encouraging the branch to be involved in the Greentree Festival, Zee Bee Market sales, and Bookfest St. Louis. As president and board member Chris has used her technical and leadership skills to update the branch. She was instrumental in setting up and following up on the Branch's STEM scholarship program for three high schools and has presented programs at state conventions as well as using her tech expertise to ensure the smooth running of Zoom presentations for the Branch and MO AAUW during Covid.

As a teacher of gifted education, member of space-related professional societies, and MO State Director of Gifted Education, Chris shares her enthusiasm for space and STEM fields with innumerable children and brings them in contact with expert role models, including herself. At the AAUW State level,



she serves on the State STEM committee.

Chris continues to work for equity for girls and women in STEM fields through her passion for space exploration and promoting STEM scholarships. We are glad to give recognition to the efforts of Christine Nobbe.

<u>CALENDAR</u>

March Women's History Month
Mar 5 Expressions craft group, pg 5
Mar 8 International Women's Day
Mar 12 AAUW-TWA Internat'l Relations Lecture, pg 6
Mar 23 AAUW IBC spring luncheon, pgs 1, 9, 10

Mar 23	Dem. Party caucus, pg 4		
Mar 25	Zoom movie group, <i>Queen</i>		
	Bees, pg 5		
Mar 28	Adelante book group, pg 5		
Apr 2	Gen. municipal election, pg 4		
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Apr 3-M	ay 15—AAUW annual voting		
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awards and speaker

- Apr 17 Meet/Greet with Webster U.
- Apr 22 Zoom movie group, *Maestro*
- Apr 25 Adelante book group, pg 5
- May 4 AAUW MO annual state con ference, Columbia (registration form attached) May 28 AAUW IBC meeting

AAUW Kirkwood-Webster Groves Branch Newsletter



As you know, Kirkwood-Webster Groves Branch provides three \$500 STEM scholarships every spring to graduating high school women who are planning to major in a STEM field. We continue to search for ideas to raise money for the scholarships. Some members have opted to donate directly to our branch STEM fund (by writing a check to AAUW KWG, STEM scholarship in the memo line). However, we still sell pecans as a fairly good way to raise funds.

EUND RAISE

By way of other organizations' fundraising, we came across **Rada Fundraising**. It seems to be an easy way to raise a few dollars at 40% profit. Their products last and have been around for a long time. They are 100% American made and make a nice addition to your kitchen or pantry or as gifts. We have a couple of paper catalogs to peruse, but you can also shop online at <u>https://</u> <u>radafundraising.com/pages/select-your-fundraisinggroup/</u> and entering AAUW and MO in the appropriate boxes and clicking on Search. This will take you to: <u>https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=7746743.077a60</u>. Also, at the bottom of their web page, you can click on Support a Fundraiser in the Menu column.



Primary Voting Changes

Did you know that Missouri has changed the presidential

preference primary process for 2024? Presidential preference primary now depends on which political party a person belongs to.

The Republican Party elected to hold caucuses and met on March 2. If you have not declared your party affiliation in advance, you were required to sign a statement verifying your deeply held Republican values and beliefs at the caucus.

The Democratic Party will hold a presidential primary election on March 23. You are required to register as a member of the Democratic Party prior to casting your vote. You can check online if you have already designated a political party, need to designate a party, or wish to change your designation at <u>https://voteroutreach.sos.mo.gov/</u> <u>portal/ and https://s1.sos.mo.gov/elections/</u> <u>voterregistration/home/partyaffiliationlanding</u>.

You can review AAUW position statements that impact MO bills at <u>https://www.aauw.org/issues/</u>



The Missouri Legislature

Anticipating a constitutional amendment on the November ballot that would end Missouri's abortion ban, the Republicans have prioritized <u>Senate Joint</u> <u>Resolution 74</u>, <u>Initiative Petition Reform</u>. The Senate passed SJR74, and it has moved to the House. This would make it harder for Missouri voters to amend their state's constitution. If a measure to revise the initiative petition process is approved by lawmakers, it would still have to be approved by Missouri voters.

Defunding health centers specifically run by Planned Parenthood has been another big topic of discussion. Senate Bills 1168 and 810 would prevent public funds from going to any abortion facilities or their affiliates and bar the MO HealthNet program from reimbursing Planned Parenthood health centers and their affiliates. People on Medicaid should be able to go to the healthcare provider of their choice.

Resources for Get-Out-the-Vote Work and Supporting Libraries

- 1. Missouri Voter Coalition Resources: https://www.movpc.org/voter-engagement-education
- 2. Curbside Voting Tips from Sue Shineman for meeting with Senior Centers (See links below)
- 3. School Boards (Webinar): The Battleground for the Education Culture Wars See below.
- ⇒ Recording of the webinar: <u>https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/webinars/</u>
- \Rightarrow Link to information about AAUW California's School Board Project and their toolkit
- here: https://www.aauw-ca.org/school-board-project-toolkit/
- \Rightarrow A complete list of resources mentioned in the webinar can be found here: <u>https://act.aauw.org/3SwUV2s</u>
- ⇒ AAUW's National Public Policy Committee would like to better understand what is happening in your school district and state in regards to policies banning books and censoring school curriculum. Please take this short survey: <u>https://act.aauw.org/SchoolBoards</u>

Legislative Retreat Presentations from Feb 24

AAUW MO sponsored a virtual meeting. Wealth of material on organizations who are TAKING ACTION on many issues. 15 organizations presented to a zoom meeting of 60 participants <u>https://aauw-mo.aauw.net/presentations-from-the-2024-legislative-retreat/</u>

Find the LWV STL GOTV toolkit at this link: <u>https://my.lwv.org/missouri/metro-st-louis/elections/get-out-vote-gotv</u>

To get your sample municipal election ballot, go here.





AAUW METRO ST LOUIS INTERBRANCH COUNCIL (IBC)

KWG is **one of the five branches** that form the AAUW Metro St. Louis Interbranch Council, more commonly known as IBC. They meet 4 times a year, some virtually and some in person. Each branch is allowed 3 voting delegates, and historically the officers of each branch have served as those delegates.

<u>The purpose of IBC</u> is to foster cooperation among member branches and to financially support programs and projects and to open channels of communication among branches for the sharing of ideas and interests.

The next quarterly IBC meeting will be at 7 p.m. on May 28, 2024, via ZOOM. The website is <u>https://stlouis-ibc.aauw.net/</u>. All AAUW members are welcome to attend.

IBC ¡ADELANTE! BOOK GROUP

This group meets virtually to discuss books written from diverse perspectives.

Where: Join Zoom meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85338959790? pwd=NFNKS01FMXh6bXpiaXh0ci80VC9rUT09

When: 1:30 pm the 4th Thursday of the month in September, October, January, February, March, April, May

Contact: PattyMurrayAAUW@gmail.com

Upcoming selections:

BOOK CLUB

- Mar 28 *The Personal Librarian* (story of Bella Da Costa Green, 1905-1945), 352 pgs; Kay Meyer, facilitator
- Apr 25 Crow Mary, by Kathleen Grissom (368 pgs). Teri Brecht, facilitator
- May 23 Lessons in Chemistry, by Bonnie Garmus (400 pgs). Pat Shores, facilitator.

Metro St. Louis Branch Programs

Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch—March 14, 9 am; business meeting 9:30; program 10:30. Speaker: Rebeka McIntosh, vice president of the MO National Educational Association.

B-C has an interest group, Munching Matters, that celebrates the careers and life experiences of its members; recognizes their accomplishments; and provides time to discuss these interesting life stories over lunch. Presentations take place in November, January, February, and March on the second Wednesday of the month at Mimi's Café in Chesterfield, MO 63017.

Ferguson-Florissant Branch—Contact <u>Patty Murray</u> for meeting information, 314-838-7887.

Saint Charles Branch—Meets the first Thursday at 1 p.m. at First St. Charles UMC, 801 First Capitol Drive, St. Charles 63301. Next meeting: Thursday, March 7, when area high school senior women will be honored for math and science excellence.

St. Louis Branch—Contact <u>Ellen Irons</u> for meeting information, 314-727-9918. The next program is scheduled for April 7, "Labor, Suffrage and Social Justice – Cynthelia Isgrig Knefler's Contribution to Our St. Louis History," presented by Rosemary Feurer, author and history professor at Northern Illinois University, at the Henry Miller Museum, 2726-28 MLK Drive, 63106.

WE'RE INVITED!

The Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch has invited us to join their Expressions group. Expressions is a quasi-craft group that meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month, 1-3 pm at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, **13014 Olive Blvd**,



Creve Coeur. Join them on <u>March 5 to make bead ear-</u>rings with Jan Barrett.

Lunch Bunch (bring your own lunch and drink) meets at 12:30 pm. <u>Can't make it for lunch</u>? Craft making will begin around 1:15-ish. Cost will be \$5. <u>You must sign up</u> (email Pam Kulp, coordinator, 636-219-2969 or <u>kulpp10@gmail.com</u>. We don't want to run out of supplies! See you there!

New Directions to Entrance: We will meet in the Sunday School room (Youth Room) at Holy Cross Church. Easiest access to the room: drive into and park at the back of the first parking lot of the church. There is a second set of double doors at the back entrance. The Sunday School room is around the corner and to the right from this new entrance. We hope you will come.

Join the Movie Group

Each of us watches a selected movie on <u>Netflix</u>. The movie is then discussed by the group on the 4th Monday of the month at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Contact <u>Ellen</u> (St. Louis Branch) for the link.

Upcoming movies:

Mar 25 - Queen Bees (leader: Vett Goods) Apr 22 - Maestro (leader: Becky Clausen) The public is cordially invited to the



International Relations Lecture Series (IRLS) 2024

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



Jessica Mayo, JD

10:45 am Second Tuesday of January, February, March and April 2024

The TWA and AAUW invite you to learn from experts about the most critical issues affecting our global community. The 45-50 minute lectures begin promptly at 10:45 am in the upper auditorium and are followed by a question and answer session. Plan to bring a lunch and stay to discuss the day's topic further.

Admission is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. Free parking is available behind the building. In case of inclement weather, please call 314-991-0955, ext. 224.

Sponsored by the Tuesday Women's Association (TWA) of the Ethical Society of St. Louis and the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Metro St. Louis Branches Usha Sathe, Chair

March 12, 2024 New Horizons: Global Migration Trends and Implications for the US Asylum System

International migration has steadily increased over the past 30 years, and it is projected to continue increasing in light of global warming and violent conflicts. We will examine the current global reality and the United States' role as a prominent destination for immigrants. What is the future that we are co-creating through our response to this enormous challenge – and its accompanying opportunities?





Jessica Mayo is an attorney and Co-Director of the <u>Migrant and Immigrant Community Action</u> <u>Project</u> in St. Louis. The MICA Project is a

community organization committed to working with low-income immigrants to overcome barriers to justice. The MICA Project utilizes legal services, organizing, advocacy, and education to promote the voice and human dignity of immigrant communities.

Committee: Marsha Koch, Alison Wiffenburg

Dr. Kelly-Kate S. Pease

April 9, 2024 NATO



NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION

Dr. Kelly-Kate S. Pease will briefly discuss the creation and evolution of NATO and examine the debates surrounding NATO expansion. She will also assess the interactive relationship between NATO and the Russia-Ukraine Conflict.

Dr. Kelly-Kate S. Pease is Professor of International Relations at Webster University. She has published extensively in areas related to international relations, international organizations, human rights, and humanitarian affairs. Her books include *International Organizations: Perspectives on Global Governance* (6th ed), The *United Nations and Changing World Politics* (co-author, 8th ed), and *Human Rights and Humanitarian Diplomacy*. Dr. Pease also publishes articles and chapters on human rights, humanitarian intervention, humanitarian assistance, diplomacy, the United Nations, and international criminal law.

Committee: Sue Williams, Susie Teicher, Patty Murray



LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Creating Environmental Equity at a Local Level



Thursday March 14, 7 p.m. In-person program at The Center of Clayton 50 Gay Ave. St. Louis, MO 63105 Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; program begins at 7 p.m.

Please let us know you're coming here.

Join us for a presentation from Show-Me Green Schools to learn how we can engage local school districts to become green schools. Show-Me Green Schools is a suite of three free programs co-managed by Missouri Gateway Green Building Council and Missouri Environmental Education Association (MEEA) that provides structure, resources, and recognition to support every Missouri Pre-K-12 school in becoming a green school. Show-Me Green Schools programming supports all Missouri schools in identifying and advancing practices throughout their campuses, educational programming, and school culture that reduce environmental impact, improve health and wellness, and provide place-based education.

Speakers:

Deborah Rogers Curtis, Green Schools coordinator, Missouri Gateway Green Building Council and comanager, Show-Me Green Schools.

Lesli Moylan, executive director, Missouri Environmental Education Association and co-manager, Show-Me Green Schools [and member of AAUW Kirkwood-Webster Groves].

Their mission is to educate communities and inspire positive systemic change to



end human trafficking. **Review** their <u>latest blog arti-</u> <u>cle</u>, "Silent Suffering: Unveiling the Impact of Human Trafficking on Women and Girls" by Chanel Foster, GAHT volunteer.

Watch educational videos on our <u>YouTube Channel</u>. <u>Donate</u> and help us do more free training to educate people about human trafficking.

https://gahtmo.org

Mirowitz Center was the first organization in Missouri to be licensed to teach **Senior Planet from AARP** curriculum – and is the only one licensed to operate in St. Louis County!



"Self-Compassion: Enhance Your Health & Happiness" Thursday, March 7, 3:00 - 4:00 pm (in person)

A little self-compassion can go a long way, helping us build resilience and nurture our well-being. So how do you treat yourself more kindly? Join Jessie Brown, Director of Programs at NAMI St. Louis, for an interactive presentation to learn how to treat yourself with the same understanding you offer others.

To register, <u>click here</u>, call (314) 733-9813, or email info@mirowitzcenter.org.



"Tech Tips for Disaster Preparedness"

Wednesday, March 6 12:00 - 1:00 pm (in person)

Did you know technology is an essential part of being prepared for emergencies and natural disasters? In this session, Trainer Daniel Landsbaum explains and demonstrates FEMA and Red Cross apps, including setting alerts. He'll also review how to keep phones and other essential devices charged during a prolonged power outage – and other necessities in an emergency.

To register, <u>click here</u>, call (314) 733-9813, or email info@mirowitzcenter.org.

Advocacy in Action Lunch & Learn



When: Thursday, March 21 | 12:00 - 1:00 PMWhere: ZoomRSVP Here

Did you know that not only was nineteenth-century St. Louis a bustling photography destination, but it was also home to hundreds of female photographers!? For Women's History Month, we are excited to welcome Dr. Elizabeth Eikmann, whose presentation explores the early history of women's photography and highlights the lives and professional careers of several St. Louis women whose impressive work started right here in Missouri.

Please <u>click here</u> to register for the March Lunch & Learn. Questions? Email Jen Bernstein at <u>jbernstein@ncjwstl.org</u> or call 314.993.5181

AAUW NATIONAL

National News

From Susan Barley National Advancement Committee and AAUW MO Fund Chair

AAUW Fund



AAUW 2023 donations are being tabulated. Results will be announced at the **Missouri Conference on May 4**.

AAUW counts on contributions from members and branches to meet the annual budget, develop new programs, and further the mission of equity for all women and girls. Your dues cover only a very small portion of the financial needs of AAUW.

AAUW calendar year 2024 contributions are being received. Gifts may be of any and all sizes. Maybe give up one of your Starbuck coffees each month and send the money instead to AAUW. In the next few months, there will be some easy opportunities to give:

- <u>AAUW Note Cards</u>: In the spring, you will receive in the mail a packet of beautiful note cards created by AAUW members from across the country. It is easy to respond with a donation.
- <u>Dues Renewal</u>: Renewal time for many of our members is in June. When you renew, it is very convenient to add on a donation.
- <u>Sustaining Donation</u>: Supporters can set up on the website to have a set amount withdrawn from your bank account every month. Your small donations through the year will quickly add up. For as little as \$9 a month, you can become an AAUW Missouri Century Club member (\$100+ a year).

AAUW Annual Voting

Every spring, AAUW members are asked to elect AAUW Directors. This year, members will also be asked to approve a proposed amendment to the bylaws. Voting is April 3 - May 15 and will take place online. For more information about our online voting process and talking points regarding how it works and privacy/security. Here is the link to the How-It-Works page for Simply Voting: <u>https://aauw.simplyvoting.com/index.php?</u> <u>mode=brochure</u>.

Now is a good time to make sure that AAUW has your correct email address and that you are subscribed to receive emails from AAUW. You can easily check your information on the AAUW Community Hub. Go to <u>https://www.aauw.org/</u>. Click Log-In (upper right).

Your Personal Snapshot page will appear. Verify your communication access under My Preferences. Another way to check your status if you have unsubscribed (intentionally or by mistake) to receive AAUW emails, you may resubscribe at https://secure.everyaction.com/ p/8fvkDOF gkmwgUN5RDy1tw2.

To look for *Frequently Asked Questions* for the election, go to <u>https://www.aauw.org/resources/member/governance</u>-tools/national-election/faq/.

Proposed AAUW Bylaws Amendment

Members will be asked to approve the proposed amendment to the AAUW Bylaws that opens membership to any individual who supports AAUW's important mission. This will eliminate the degree requirement. The AAUW Board of Directors and the Governance Committee recommend approval of this amendment. This change will align our membership practices with our purpose of advancing equity for women and girls and enable us to include members with the diverse backgrounds and perspectives needed to achieve our purpose in today's world.

Approval of an amendment to the bylaws requires a 2/3 vote. In 2021, 63% of the voters approved this same amendment. This included 54% of Kirkwood-Webster Branch members who voted with 79% of the voters approving the amendment. **Be an informed voter**. Take the time to check out why this amendment is so important to pass: <u>https://www.aauw.org/resources/member/</u>governance-tools/national-election/



AAUW Celebrates the Talent & Voices of Women Artists

<u>Only a third of artists</u> represented by commercial galleries are women and women working in arts professions are paid on average <u>74 cents to every dollar paid to men</u>. This is what motivates AAUW to host an annual art contest—to give women artists the attention they deserve. The winning entries will be featured in a collection of notecards mailed to AAUW members in the spring. Voting was from February 5-16.



"Spring Fling," honoring our Barbara Lackritz Awardees				
Women Entreprene w	eurs: Breaking the ith Bev Schuetz	Glass Ceiling		
Saturday, March 23, 2024	at 11:00 am to 2 pm	n at Catering to You		
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Reservations* @ \$40 = \$	Checks payable	to: AAUW Metro St. Louis IBC		
Dietary restrictions:				
Reservation total from above Raffle tickets pre-purchase (3 @ \$10) = Raffle tickets but not attending (3 @ \$10) = Additional contribution (thank you!) Total amount enclosed: *Guest names	\$ \$ \$ \$	For treasurer: Check # Amount Date received		
For more information, contact	Mail form and check by March 8 th to			
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janethorner@yahoo.com				
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AAUW IBC Spring Luncheon—Here are the Branch Gift Baskets!

The **Ballwin-Chesterfield** branch invites you to "**Explore. Discover. Adore.**" The Painted Tree Boutiques support local entrepreneurs and gives the local community a treasure trove of delightful things. It's all under one roof on Manchester Road in Ballwin, MO.

Welcome to historic *Ferguson-Florissant*, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and home to Old St. Ferdinand's Shrine, registry homes, quaint shops, beautiful parks where you can golf, picnic, swim, play, and watch the beautiful sunsets and friendly residents (we don't want to name drop, but many celebrities grew up here!). After enjoying all the beautiful sights, you may partake of the delicious fare at our wonderful restaurants and cafes, pastry shops and bakeries, famous doughnut shops, and frozen custard and ice cream shops. Come and enjoy greatness while watching our Valley of Flowers Parade!

Kirkwood-Webster Groves wants to take you to STAGES! Enjoy a \$50.00 gift voucher that can be used for subscriptions, single tickets, STAGES merchandise, and Academy classes. *STAGES St. Louis* is the region's foremost not-for-profit company committed to preserving and advancing the art form of musical theatre through excellence in performance and education. In 2024 STAGES celebrates its 38th season of producing Broadway-quality theatre at the Ross Family Theatre in the Kirkwood Performing Arts Center. The gift voucher is valid for five years.

The perfect combination of the past and present meld in an enjoyable adventure in Historic *St. Charles*, Missouri. As you stroll along the cobblestone streets on Main Street, view history first-hand at the First Missouri State Capitol, the Lewis and Clark Boat House & Museum, unique shops and restaurants, and more.

The *St. Louis* raffle basket entices you to "Spend Time in Forest Park!" with the guides we provide to help you find hidden gems you might not have known - walks, special locations, and drives that will delight you. AND finish your discovery adventures with a wonderful meal at the Missouri History Museum's newly opened Key Bistro, led by Chef Kevin Green and Pierre Chambrin II, a former White House chef and former executive chef at the St. Louis Club. \$50 Gift Card - MO History Museum.

Directions to Catering to You ...

I-270 North/East. Take <u>Exit 30</u> for Pershall Road/New Halls Ferry Rd. <u>Turn LEFT</u>. Travel <u>1.75 miles</u> from 270 to *Catering to You*.

Cross West Florissant Avenue



Pass many subdivisions (mostly trees).

Then, on your left, you will come to this group of businesses. The third or so building is the correct plaza. Below is a picture of the correct plaza.



The main ballroom will be on your left toward the back of the lobby. Check in inside the main ballroom.

Restrooms are located to the left just inside the main ballroom.

Ramp to lower level and entrance