

*"AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research"*

**Who we are...**

The Saint Louis Branch of AAUW supports the broad goals and actions of AAUW by holding public outreach events, engaging in political action, collaborating with local organizations and educational institutions regarding AAUW topics, and by supporting area young women and girls directly. We promote a "You Can Do It" approach. We are one of five branches in the Saint Louis, MO, area that comprise the AAUW Metro Saint Louis Interbranch Council (IBC).

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[www.aauwmo.org](http://www.aauwmo.org)

**National Web Site:**  
[www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)

**August 8, 2017 - 6:30 PM**  
**Panel Discussion on**  
**the 2017 AAUW Convention**  
**In Washington, DC**



We will meet at the Buder Library, 4401 Hampton Avenue at Sutherland Ave., St. Louis 63109. Meeting rooms are on the lower level. We have the larger meeting room reserved.

Our panel will be three AAUW members who attended the national convention in June who will share their experiences and thoughts and answer questions:

- **Julie Triplett**, Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch member and past AAUW MO president
- **Marsha Koch**, Kirkwood-Webster Branch member and past AAUW MO president
- **Sue Barley**, St. Louis Branch member and AAUW board director

If you have time and would like to eat supper with us, we will meet at Noodles and Company in Hampton Plaza (southeast corner of Hampton and Chippewa) at 5:15 p.m. This is almost across Hampton from the library. The service is quick.

Of course, friends and relatives are welcome.

**Thank you for voting. . .**

**Branch Member Susan Barley was re-elected as a board director at the 2017 national convention.**

The national office tracks voting by branches. Of the St. Louis Branch members, 30.43% voted, a decrease from 2015 when 45% voted. Voting will be a criteria on the 2018 AAUW Missouri Star Award application.



***Have you paid your dues yet?*** Dues for FY (July 1 - June 30) 2017-2018 were due by June 30th. Please contact Sue Barley for a renewal form if you have misplaced yours or if you have questions or comments. You can also renew on line at [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) after logging into the Membership Services Database (link on lower left of home page).

## INTERBRANCH COUNCIL UPDATES

The AAUW St. Louis Metro Interbranch Council (IBC) consists of representatives from each of the St. Louis AAUW branches. The following officers from each branch are members of IBC: president, program vice president, membership vice president, and a member at large. All members are invited to attend meetings and participate in IBC activities, which include:

- Planning the Spring Fling luncheon fundraiser
- Sponsoring a student to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)
- Co-sponsoring the International Lecture Series held at the Ethical Society building
- Sponsoring the ¡Adelante! book group and Downtown Lunch Group
- Awarding the Barbara Lackritz Service Award
- Supporting the Ferguson-Florissant Branch in its robotics mentoring and Oasis tutoring in Ferguson and operating an information booth at the Ferguson Farmers' Market

The next IBC meeting will be August 29th at 7 PM at Oak Bend County Branch 842 S. Holmes, St. Louis, MO 63122. All AAUW members are welcome to attend. We will share information and start planning for the next Spring Fling.

### IBC DOWNTOWN LUNCH GROUP

You are invited to meet and lunch with area AAUW members on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 11:45 am. Good conversation and interesting restaurants! For reservations and car pooling, contact Kay Meyer at 314-962-7487 or kicmeyer@yahoo.com.

July 18 **Drake's Place**, 701 South Florissant Rd, Ferguson



### IBC ¡ADELANTE! BOOK GROUP



This group, started in 1996 as a component of AAUW's diversity outreach program, meets in September, October, and January through May to discuss books written from diverse perspectives. AAUW members from all St. Louis area branches are welcome.

Where: Barnes & Noble, Chesterfield Oaks Shopping Center, 1600 Clarkson Road

When: 1:30 pm the 4th Thursday of the month

Contact: Teri Brecht, tebrecht@yahoo.com

Sep 28 *"Flo" Kennedy: The Life of a Black Feminist Radical* by Sherie M. Randolph  
Reviewer: Betty Takahashi

## WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

*Celebrating Women's Right to Vote*

Mark your calendar for August 26, 2017, and come to the annual Equality Day Brunch with fellow AAUW members, as well as members of like-minded organizations. Registration is at 9:30 AM, and the brunch will begin shortly after 10 AM. This event is held at the Clayton Plaza Hotel in downtown Clayton. The flyer/registration form is on page 4.

## NATIONAL UPDATES

### Action Network

AAUW Cheer: The CBS television show "Mom" opted to donate to Planned Parenthood instead of paying for an Emmy campaign this year. The \$250,000 donation is intended to encourage others to donate as well.

AAUW Jeer: Female Supreme Court justices are interrupted more by male justices and advocates, according to the *Harvard Business Review*. The empirical study shows that male justices interrupt the female justices about three times as often as they interrupt each other during oral arguments.

### BITS AND PIECES

♦ New data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shows that, for the first time, women aged 30 to 34 have the highest birthrate of any age group in the U.S. Access to birth control and fertility treatments, as well as the lack of workplace policies to accommodate new mothers, are cited as reasons many women are delaying motherhood.

♦ Penn State University will begin issuing fraternity and sorority "report cards" that will list each organization's status and conduct history. A response to several hazing incidents, these report cards will allow students and parents to utilize previously unavailable disciplinary data to inform their decision about Greek life at Penn State.

♦ The U.S. Department of Education is facing a lawsuit after denying a request to release data on pending sexual harassment cases. The National Women's Law Center (NWLC), the nonprofit filing the suit, requested Title IX data in January under the Freedom of Information Act, but their petition was denied by the Department.

♦ AAUW and other coalition partners attended a U.S. Department of Justice summit on hate crimes this past Thursday. Many hate crimes currently go unreported, making it difficult to study them. AAUW was pleased to join Thursday's conversation and expects the Department of Justice to commit to strong hate crimes prevention and enforcement as well as strive to end bias and bigotry in all of its work.

MISSOURI WOMEN'S NETWORK

*Presents*

30th Annual  
**EQUALITY DAY**  
**BRUNCH**



**97th Anniversary of Women  
Winning the Vote**

Saturday, August 26th, 2017

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

Clayton Plaza Hotel - 7760 Carondelet - Clayton, MO 63105

Free hotel parking on Orange Level



**Featured Speaker:**  
**JANETTE DEAN**  
*~ Coordinated the  
passage of the ERA  
in Nevada*

**Legislative Updates**  
**Legacy Tributes**  
**Equality Day Awards**

**Registration Form:**

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**Sign up for:**

Brunch and Program	\$40	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brunch and Program - Student Rate	\$20	<input type="checkbox"/>
MWN Organization Dues	\$30	<input type="checkbox"/>
MWN Individual Dues	\$20	<input type="checkbox"/>
MWN Educational Fund Donation (Tax Deductible)	_____	
MWN Scholarship Fund Donation	_____	
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