



Fall 2011

# Missouri in Motion

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## Five States Conference

### AAUW: Stepping up to the Future

June 8-9, 2012

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1819 South Meridian, Oklahoma City, OK

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## Conference Highlights

### Keynote Speaker

*Linda Hallman, AAUW Executive Director*

### Presenters

*Patricia Ho, National Vice-President*  
*Dr. Catherine Hill, AAUW Research Director*

### Conference Events

\*Opening Reception for all attendees\*

\*Ten Breakout Sessions on AAUW Issues and Current Equality Topics including Grant Writing, Using AAUW Electronic Resources, The Status of Women, Teen Pregnancy, Domestic Violence, and AAUW Public Policy Initiatives\*

\*Fundraising Sales Possibilities for your State and Branch\*

\*Introduction of New Research Report\*

## Special Events

\*Turkish Coffee Ceremony\*

\*Opportunities to Visit Exciting Venues in Oklahoma City\*

\*Optional River Cruise (separate registration)\*

\*Eleanor Roosevelt Run/Walk/Sleep-In (separate registration)\*

\*Film Showing: *Miss Representation*\*

## Breaking Through Barriers For Women and Girls

*Registration paperwork coming soon!*



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

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

### **AAUW Diversity Statement**

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

### **Two Minute Activist**

Want to make your voice known to your legislators? Use AAUW's on-line email action program, the "Two-Minute Activist." It is easy and fast, and provides text for a wide variety of issues, which you can edit to your liking. Make the Two-Minute Activist one of your weekly "to-do's."

<http://capwiz.com/aauw/home/>

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Your Board met on October 15 in Jefferson City to review past activities and make plans for the rest of the year. One of our big accomplishments was the completion of AAUWMO History from 1976 to 2010. This is a history not only of the state but of the branches as well. Each branch will surely want a copy for its archives. Many thanks to Grace Butler and her hard working crew for getting this job done. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will see how copies can be obtained.



Our spring meeting, which in even numbered years is usually a one day event, will be expanded this year thanks to the efforts of the Public Policy committee. On Friday afternoon, May 4, the Association will be presenting a workshop with a primary focus on getting out the vote. Other organizations will be invited to send representatives. We do not yet have all the details but more information will be coming to you in January. Meanwhile, I urge you to hold both May 4 and 5 for these meetings which will be held at the Marriott in Columbia.

Julia Triplett  
*AAUW MO President*

AAUW is celebrating its 130th birthday this year and November is the birthday month. Several branches are planning special ways of recognizing this big birthday. If your branch has not made any plans yet, I urge you to consider doing so.

Looking forward to June 8 and 9, we will have an opportunity to attend the Five States Conference in Oklahoma City. In the past, these regional conferences have provided stimulating speakers and workshops and I am pleased that we are continuing to have this event. Registration information is not yet available, but this is a forewarning so you can put the dates on your calendar.

Our College University Relations Board members, Jane Biers and Debbie McWard, have been making contacts with higher education institutions in an effort to get more of them to participate as partners with AAUW. They have done outstanding work in recruiting but would welcome help from anyone who has a contact and could assist them in their efforts.

One of my goals is to visit branches whenever possible. Please let me know if there is a good time for me to come to your branch.

## **MEMBERSHIP IDEAS FOR THE FALL**

It is the Fall and new beginnings for our branches. I trust you have had a successful kickoff for the season.

- Have your new members become engaged in a branch activity?
- Have you involved at least one of your newer members in a branch tradition?
- It is exciting/ energizing/refreshing to observe new and seasoned members working together on substantive projects.
- Are you sharing your programs with this publication, our web page and our Facebook page?
- Sharing our successes across the state is important.
- Are your membership renewals current?

Fall is an energizing time of year. Let the outstanding year blast off.

Ellen Johnson  
*Vice President for Membership*

## OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Do you know someone who would be a good addition to the AAUW-MO state board? The Nominations Committee is now accepting suggestions for the following elected positions:

Treasurer  
Vice President for Membership

These officers will be elected at our annual meeting May 4-5, 2012. If you have a name to suggest, if you might be interested in the position yourself, or if you want more information, please contact one of the nominating committee:

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## COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS INTRODUCES TWO NEW PARTNERS

We are pleased to announce two new C/U partners. William Jewell College in Kansas City has joined us; Provost Anne Dema is the representative. In addition, we have a commitment from Central Methodist University, Fayette. Both these institutions were recruited through the efforts of branch members who either had connections or knew people with connections to the schools. It would be extremely helpful if, as alumnae or faculty, you can refer us to any administrative people at schools we hope will become C/U partners. Remember that membership for new partners in 2011-12 is only \$130. Following is a list of schools we would like to recruit as members:

Cottey College	Missouri Southern State University
Fontbonne College	Moberly Area Community College
Harris Stowe University	Northwest Missouri State University
Lincoln University	Truman State University
Longview Community College	Westminster College
Maryville University	William Woods University

We have asked branches near these institutions to help us recruit and have encouraged the branches to appoint a C/U liaison to its board. That person would be responsible for developing communication with the C/U representative appointed by the administration. Missouri's retention rate for 2011-12 has been 100 percent, so AAUW must be an attractive partnership. Current partners are:

Central Methodist University	Lindenwood University
Columbia College	Missouri Baptist University
Culver-Stockton College	Missouri University of Science and Technology

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## APPLY FOR THE AAUW MISSOURI MISSION IN ACTION AWARD!

The mission of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through Advocacy, Education, Philanthropy and Research. For each of the four categories, describe in 75 words or less, how your branch has worked toward accomplishing the mission of AAUW.

Use a separate page to describe successful events, projects and innovations.

Applications must be received by April 1, 2012. Awards will be announced at the 2012 State Meeting on May 6, 2012.

## MEMBER SERVICES

Register with AAUW and the Member Services Database. Check the amount of your contributions this year on line! Here's how to securely register: Go to AAUW.org, then click on "Member Center". Log in with your member number.

Now click on "Member Services Database". If you have not yet created a personal password, follow the directions given in the link: "register here". Once your password is established, enter the Member Services database. Click on "My Profile/My membership card". On this spot, you can also MAKE contributions, see a Branch roster, and print a membership card.

## C/U CONT'D

Park University  
Southeast Missouri State University  
St. Louis College of Pharmacy  
St. Louis Community College  
Stephens College  
University of Central Missouri

University of Missouri-Columbia  
University of Missouri-Kansas City  
University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Washington University  
Webster University  
William Jewell College

A Start \$mart workshop, sponsored in part by the St. Louis Metro IBC, was held recently at University of Missouri-St. Louis, and both the Gender Studies program and the Sue Shear Institute are planning to make these workshops a regular part of their programming. There are now six branch members in St. Louis trained as facilitators. Facilitators were also trained at past workshops held at Park University and University of Missouri-Columbia (UMC).

79 student affiliates are listed for the state of Missouri. UMC has an active AAUW Student Organization, the new name for student satellites.

Jane Biers & Debbie McWard  
*AAUW MO College/University Relations co-chairs*

## AAUWMO HISTORY

Thanks to the efforts of Grace Butler and many others, the AAUWMO History from 1976 to 2010 is going to printing. The History includes AAUWMO and branch histories. It will be available for \$10.00 plus \$5.00 for postage if it is mailed. Copies will also be on sale at the May 5 meeting. If you would like to reserve a copy, please email Julie Triplett at [julietrip@charter.net](mailto:julietrip@charter.net).

## THORPE MENN AWARD

On Saturday, Oct. 1 nearly 100 guests were in attendance at the 33rd Annual Thorpe Menn award luncheon, sponsored by American Association of University Women-Kansas City, Missouri Branch and the Kansas City Public Library. The event recognizes excellence in writing by Kansas City area authors.

The award was initiated to honor Thorpe Menn's work for recognizing excellence in writing by a local author. As book editor of the Kansas City Star, Menn sought to encourage all aspects of Kansas City's cultural life—art, jazz, poetry and fiction.

Candice Millard, distinguished local author, delivered the keynote address, and captivated the audience with details about her new book, *The Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine & the Murder of a President*. Books by the winner, finalists and speaker were available for purchase courtesy of Rainy Day Books and authors provided autographs following the event.

Ellen Johnson  
*Vice President Membership*

## A CALL TO LOCAL AUTHORS!

Nominations for 2012 Thorpe Menn Award are now being accepted. The award includes \$500 and a name-engraved plaque. Books must have been published in 2011. For more information, please call Pam Chaudoin at 816-728-1304 or e-mail [pamelachaudoin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pamelachaudoin@sbcglobal.net)

Ellen Johnson  
*Vice President Membership*

## MEET NANCY HUTCHINS, NEW AAUWMO PUBLIC POLICY CHAIR!

I was asked to assume the office of co-chair for the Public Policy Committee with the very capable Holly Burgess, and am learning how much I have to learn. Public Policy is a strong interest for me. Since being appointed I have attended a Kitchen Talk hosted by McCaskill's office; an Equality Luncheon - keynote speaker Betty Dukes; a Women's Leadership Summit; and a seminar on \$tart \$mart - a program to enable young women to negotiate salaries and perks in starting an initial career.

Holly and I met twice to discuss public policy as it relates to our grant(s) and our state, and met with members of AAUW-MO's whole public policy committee. Those in attendance were Charlotte Parsons, Mary Mosley, Yvette Goods, Julie Triplett, Holly, and me. We collaborated on developing a plan for public policy for our state. We have divided the state into four regions and have ambassadors for three of them, so if you are contacted by one of these ambassadors, please know we are trying to develop an efficient and effective public policy network for Missouri.

At the Saturday, October 15 meeting, our AAUW-MO Board voted to publicly support the ballot initiative on limiting interest on payday loans. Current rate in Missouri can be as high as 1900% and actually averages around 400+%.

On October 13, 2011, I attended the Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch meeting. The topic was "The Status of Women in Missouri" and the presenter was Kristin Metcalf-Wilson. The Women's Policy Alliance worked on this status report which will be available in the near future at [www.women'spolicyalliance.org](http://www.women'spolicyalliance.org). Jan Scott also can make this presentation as she is part of this team. Various areas of the state show different results in the areas of health care, employment, educational opportunities, pay equity, etc.

Yvette Goods presented information about MO Women in Trades, and February 15 in the Tradeswomen's 2012 Calendar was purchased in honor of Susan B. Anthony's birthday with the possibility of collaborating with women in trade.

And here is a preview of a coming attraction: The PP Committee is developing a marketing plan for our state- "Public Policy Partners for Progress"-details of this work in progress will be announced at a later date.

Lastly, here is a quote by Edward Everett Hale and reflects a basic tenet for me. "I am only one; but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do something that I can do."

Nancy Hutchins  
*Public Policy Co-chair*

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# WOMEN'S ISSUES LEGISLATIVE RETREAT

**A WEEKEND WITH FRIENDS, FOOD, AND *POLITICS!***

**LEARN HOW THE NEW LEGISLATORS WILL MAKE AN  
IMPACT IN JEFFERSON CITY AND WHAT CAN BE  
EXPECTED FROM THE 2012 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 6 - SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2012  
RICKMAN CENTER, JEFFERSON CITY, MO**

## Tentative Schedule

### Friday, January 6

8:00 pm Workshop/Legislative Discussion

### Saturday, January 7

8:00 am Breakfast

8:30-9:30 Welcome, Introductions, Review of 2011  
Legislative Session

9:30-9:45 Break

9:45-12:00 Speaker/Presentations

12:00-12:30 Lunch at Rickman Center

12:30-2:30 Set Legislative Priorities

**Bring a Progressive Friend - Everyone is Welcome  
DOOR PRIZES**

\_\_\_ Single Room, Friday night . . . . . \$55.00

\_\_\_ Double/Triple (Share) room (each) . . . \$37.00  
(Includes Breakfast and Lunch)

\_\_\_ Breakfast, Saturday morning . . . \$10.00

\_\_\_ Lunch, Saturday noon . . . . . \$10.00

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IF YOU HAVE SPECIAL FOOD REQUIREMENTS, LET US KNOW IN ADVANCE;  
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**For late reservations E-mail sbreeze@mindspring.com or gbutler1111@aol.com**

**DIRECTIONS: Follow Highway 54 one-half mile south of Jefferson City to the Rt.B/Wardsville exit.  
Go east on Rt. B to Christy Drive. Turn right. Then, take the second left, which is Bennett Lane.**

**Go to the top of the hill. The temporary CCMA Regional Office is on the right.**

**Rickman Center parking is on the left, and the Center main building is at the end of the road.**

**FOR YOUR CALENDAR: WOMEN'S LOBBY DAY IN JEFFERSON CITY, MARCH 2012**

## LEAVES FROM THE BRANCHES

**St. Louis'** October Branch Meeting was at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. Members were some of the first to hear about the highly researched "Missouri Report on the Status of Women" commissioned by the Women's Policy Alliance. Areas reviewed were: Education and Workplace; Health and Well Being; Civic Engagement; and Economic Justice.

**Creve Coeur** members will once again volunteer at the 9th annual Fair Trade Market at the Manchester United Methodist Church. At one time, it was the largest of its kind in the world. It may still be. The goods sold at the Market are produced by farmers and artisans who belong to or work with organizations that are governed by using fair trade principles. The market will be open Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 19 and 20, and Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 25-27.

The **Independence** Branch hosted two politically active women to their October meeting. Crystal Williams and Theresa Garza Ruiz, both of the Jackson County legislature. They spoke of Ethics Reform and Womens' Issues.

Holidays are right around the corner. **Parkville** branch members will be adopting a family for Christmas. What other branches are doing charitable activities for the holidays? Share your stories and pictures with us by emailing [christine\\_stricker@hotmail.com](mailto:christine_stricker@hotmail.com).

The **Nevada** branch welcomes four new members to their branch! New members include Shirley Garnett, Renee Hornsby, Mikki Johnson and Susan Thornton. State president Julie Triplett made a visit to the Nevada September branch meeting. Nevada branch members are busy planning for their holiday auction on Nov. 18, with hopes to raise \$1,500. Good luck!

**Ballwin-Chesterfield** hosted a WINE, CHEESE, AND BOOK EVENT for LAF on Tues., Sept. 27. A stimulating book discussion of the early feminist novel, *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin, was led by Kathleen Nigro, PhD., Professor of English at UMSL. The gathering was held in the spectacular setting of a ca.1906 historic home built by St. Louis architect J.B. Legg. It was home to opulent balls and Hollywood legends. Author Chopin, the daughter of a distinguished St. Louis family, grew up in a home in the same area of St. Louis. Ballwin-Chesterfield participated in the ELEANOR ROOSEVELT Walk on October 27 at Faust Park in St. Louis County. 26 Members walked and solicited sponsors, and over \$3,000 was raised for the ER fund. (This money finances AAUW research such as *Crossing the Line*: AAUW's latest research report presents new data on sexual harassment in schools, and *Why So Few?*, published last year.)



*Shirley Garnett, Julie Triplett, Dr. Renee Hornsby and Mikki Johnson.*



*Back Row: Ballwin-Chesterfield Walkers Jan Horner, Diane Siegel, Pat Jennings, Diane Correll, Sandy Shaner, Joyce Katz, Fran Reiland, Marian Bauer, Mersine Kallaos, Jan Rügge, and Pam Kuehling Front Row: Marcia Block, Mary Kay Wolfe, Pat Shores, Rosann Swaringim, Jill Norton, Helen Fick and Carol Derington.*



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**Newsletter items requests**

News items, announcements, and photographs are welcome. Please submit, along with corrections, to Christine Stricker, christine\_stricker@hotmail.com

Submit news items for the **Winter Missouri in Motion by February 1, 2012.**

**Remember to send a copy of your branch newsletter to:**

Missouri in Motion Editor, Christine Stricker christine\_stricker@hotmail.com  
Branch newsletters are now shared across the state in a Yahoo Communications Group. To learn more, contact Joyce Katz, 314-878-4521 or joyka234@aol.com.

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To update our Missouri in Motion mailing list, please also send changes to Joyce Katz at joyka234@aol.com

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**THE AAUW NATIONAL CALENDAR**

If you go to aauw.org, and type "calendar" in the search box, you will see the AAUW National Calendar, upon which all AAUW events submitted by branches across the country are listed. You may also access, from this Calendar Site, the calendar for AAUW of Missouri. It's a perfect spot to "brag" about our state and our branches' many events and activities.

Many branches share their newsletters through our yahoo group, and the activities of these branches have been entered in the National Calendar. If your branch doesn't have a formal newsletter, you may send an email to joyka234@aol.com listing your branch events, and I will put them on the state and national calendars for you.

It's also possible to have a special calendar for your own branch on the national website. Let me know if you'd like one and we can create it together.

Joyce Katz  
*Communications*

**AAUW MISSOURI CALENDAR  
2011-12**

- January 6-7      Women's Legislative Retreat
- January 28      State Board Meeting, Columbia
- May 4 & 5      State Board Meeting
- June 8 & 9      Five States Regional Conference, Oklahoma City