

# Missouri in Motion

## AAUW MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION

The beautiful campus of Park University, Parkville, MO is the setting for the AAUW Missouri/Kansas State Convention on April 20-22, 2007. See registration form on page 11.

A variety of opportunities are available:

Educational Foundation:

- Teresa Sullivan, Kansas EF chair, has made arrangements for Leisha DeHart Davis, an AAUW Fellow at Kansas University to speak at the Educational Foundation luncheon.



Leisha DeHart Davis

- A raffle to benefit EF is planned after the Saturday evening dinner meeting. Missouri members and branches are asked to contribute items for the EF raffle. This can be an individual item, a theme basket or any basket filled with your favorite products. If you need suggestions or have questions, contact Rosann Swaringim (636-240-7839) rosannms@charter.net. It would be helpful to let Rosann know what items you will bring. Plan to join this fun-filled event!

- An Eleanor Roosevelt Walk will be offered at 7:30 A.M. on Sunday morning. We will walk along the Missouri riverfront. Join other members as you walk or stroll the path; you can walk as long or as short a course as you like. The registration fee for the Walk is \$25.00. Checks should be made payable to AAUW EF. Registration forms and sponsor forms will be posted on the AAUW MO website [www.aauwmo.org](http://www.aauwmo.org) or you can register at the meeting. For more information contact Yvonne Morrison (636-391-6026) ydmorrison@msn.com. Remember to sign up as many sponsors for your walk as you can. The person with the most money collected will receive the coveted Champion's pin.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, Legal Advocacy Fund

This year, AAUW celebrates the twenty-fifth birthday of the Legal Advocacy Fund. Since its inception, LAF has contributed more than \$1.3 million to more than 100 cases involving women fighting sex discrimination in higher education.

- The LAF fund raiser for the meeting will be "Donate \$25.00 (or more) for 25 years of LAF." If you plan to attend the meeting in April, you can donate there, if not, send your check to the LAF MO State Liaison, Julia Triplett, 401 Oakmont Circle, Ballwin, MO 63011. Be sure to indicate what Branch should receive credit for your donation.

Remember: donations to LAF are tax deductible.



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## NEW MISSION STATEMENT

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

## NEW VISION STATEMENT

**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.**

**While at the April 20-22 KS/MO Conference**

**You may want to see -**

### **Dead Sea Scrolls**

Union Station Kansas City is proud to present the only Midwest stop in 2007 for the monumental Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition, including some original scroll fragments never before displayed in the United States. This exhibition will be in Kansas City from Feb. 8 thru May 13, 2007.

Tickets can be purchased by calling 816-460-2020, or on the internet at <http://www.unionstation.org/deadseascrolls/>. Advance reservations are strongly encouraged, as tickets are reserved for specific dates and times. Artifacts, Curation and Conservation provided by the Israel Antiquities Authority. The Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition is a joint production of the Israel Antiquities Authority, Dead Sea Scrolls Foundation and Union Station Kansas City.

## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Changes and challenges for the new year:

Fresh from statewide celebrations of AAUW's 125th anniversary and AAUW-MO's 85th anniversary, we are looking ahead to our next century and beyond. Our new mission statement, "AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research," actively promotes our core values and strengths.



To support our newly stated mission and vision, AAUW wants to streamline its structure and processes. Key elements of this change will be proposed at the Phoenix convention, when bylaws changes will be voted on to combine the Association and Educational Foundation corporations and boards. We will learn much more about these proposals at the April state convention in Parkville. I encourage every branch to send at least one delegate who will be able to share this information. We will also vote on two proposed state bylaws changes (see page 10). While you are thinking about delegates, consider sponsoring a woman student to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders in June and also plan to send a branch delegation to the Phoenix AAUW convention. It will be important to AAUW's future to discuss and support these proposals.

As I visited Park University to scout locations for our state conference, I marveled at the wonderful job that the Parkville branch and Park employees such as Linda Vestal have done in integrating AAUW into the life of the campus. AAUW student affiliate flyers are prominently displayed on campus; Linda introduced students with stories of how they have become involved in the affiliate; even the first woman president of Park is a member of the branch! Research shows that women who learn of AAUW in college are far more likely to become involved in it later in life. Think of the numbers of young women who are learning about AAUW at Park and at UMKC! Can we replicate this experience elsewhere in the state system?

Important deadlines are coming up: I urge branches to apply for the Missouri Star Awards (deadline March 21, see [http://www.aauwmo.org/2007\\_StarAward\\_Application.pdf](http://www.aauwmo.org/2007_StarAward_Application.pdf)) and the AAUW 21st Century awards (deadline March 21, see [http://www.aauw.org/member\\_center/recognition/branch.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/member_center/recognition/branch.cfm)).

Missouri AAUW is reaching out to try new ways of growing. Our joint state conference with Kansas in April, our two thriving student affiliate branches, and an enthusiastic group starting a new branch in St. Joseph are examples of what we are doing to ensure a solid future for AAUW.

*Lynne Roney*  
President, AAUW-MO

## STATE OFFICER NOMINATIONS

### Secretary – Linda Berube

Linda Berube has been a member of the Kansas City Branch of AAUW since 1987. During that time she has served in a variety of leadership roles including, treasurer, membership enhancement committee chair, and president from 1999-2001 and from 2005-2007. She joined the state board in 2005 as the Kansas City Interbranch Council representative.

She has a BA in English with a minor in French from Ottawa University, Ottawa, KS. She taught high school English and French in Gridley and Lyndon, Kansas for 6 years before joining Hallmark Cards, Inc. where she has been employed for 27 years.

### VP Program – Julia Triplett

Julia (Julie) Triplett is the LAF Liaison for Missouri. She is a member of the Community Action Grant Review panel for the Association. She co chairs the LAF committee and the Recognition committee for Ballwin Chesterfield branch. Julie is a past president of BC and served as Educational Foundation chair.

A charter member of the West County Democrats, she serves on the Board and is the current secretary. She is also a charter member of Eliot Unitarian Chapel in Kirkwood.

Retired from the Illinois State Board of Education where she was director of an educational service center and an assistant superintendent, she lives with her husband, George, in Ballwin. Her daughter Pam is an attorney in St. Louis and son Jim is an engineer for Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She has two grandsons.

### President Elect – Marsha Koch

Marsha Koch has been an active member of her branch, Kirkwood-Webster Groves, for over 20 years, serving in all officer positions. Marsha has most recently served on the state board as Program Vice President.

She earned her B.S. in Business Education from Southeast Missouri State University and Masters in Education/Business at Webster University. She taught for approximately 20 years at the high school, junior college, and adult education levels and since 1994 has worked in Information Systems at Washington University as an Associate Director. She spends her free time with husband Ken and children Ken Jr. and Katie and playing bridge with long-time friends.

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR YOUR BRANCH - Peg Witt Grant Fund

Each Branch has received application forms and information about the Peg Witt Grant Fund. They are simple to fill out. One form focuses on starting new branches or strengthening weak branches (fund up to \$450); another encourages the support of member's participation in state, regional, or national meetings to bring specific ideas back to your branch (up to \$550), and third is project based (up to \$225). This money could help the Branch support a voter's forum, a public policy forum for the community, or even start a theme project like sexual harassment or women's health issues. Send the application to the Peg Witt Representatives, Grace Butler or Alyse Stoll on the State Board by October 1, 2007.

Recent Grants have been awarded to the **Ferguson-Florissant branch** and the **Park University Student branch**.

### Park University Student Branch Update - January 31, 2007

AAUW members can and should make positive social changes in addition to the pursuit and completion of higher education degrees. In response to this message by Lynne Roney, the Park University Student Branch devised their "Restroom Revolution" campaign. This was funded in part, by the Peg Witt Grant awarded to our student branch as well as Park University. The goal was to place framed posters in the women's restrooms across campus which featured positive messages for women. The initial display was so well received by campus officials that the posters were not limited to restrooms. Instead, they expanded to permanent displays in the residence halls and will be featured in a renovated student center. In addition to the framed posters in the Thompson Student Center, we received approval for a Women's Information Area. Resources for women including AAUW brochures, community support groups, and scholarship information will be readily available for students. The new student group has been able to accomplish a great deal thanks to the generosity of Park University and the Parkville AAUW Branch.

Rachel Atwood  
AAUW, Park University Student Branch President

## What Works!

### Tips from Branches

#### Membership

**Network with teachers as they retire from your district; baby boomer teachers want to stay active and they make great members!**

**Combine fund-raising with a fun event: charge a small amount for an activity and give this money to EF or LAF.**

**Have a membership tea or open house at an intriguing location.**

#### Publicity

**Make a list of local media contacts (remember the online community calendars) and e-mail or mail meeting information to them at least 2 weeks before the event. Word your event so as to emphasize the activity or topic, not just that "a meeting will be held."**

*What works in your branch? Submit a brief description to Missouri in Motion for this feature.*

**BECAUSE  
EQUITY  
IS STILL  
AN ISSUE**

## NEWSLETTER ITEMS REQUESTED

News items, announcements, and photographs are welcome. Please submit to Stefanie Hatfield  
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Remember to send a copy of your branch newsletter to:

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**SUBMIT NEWS ITEMS**  
for the Spring MO in Motion  
by April 30, 2007

### Address changes

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<http://www.aauw.org/>  
Click on "Member Center"  
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**Visit AAUW-MO online**  
<http://www.aauwmo.org>

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## MISSOURI 125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

### Missouri



The state celebration began at the April 2006 Leadership Conference with a 125th Anniversary cake, a skit, and the "wear teal" theme. Lynne Roney, state president, sent a letter about the 125th anniversary to the editor; it was published in the Nov. 25, 2006 St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Lynne Roney, Jan Scott, Shirley Breeze display St Louis CO, MO Proclamation.

### Ballwin-Chesterfield



Branch celebrated AAUW's 125th at the November branch meeting which included welcoming an AAUW Fellowship recipient and participating in the EF Individual Giving month. Mersine Kallaos, Lynne Roney (President of AAUW-MO and our special guest), Rosann Swaringim and Julia Triplett prepare to cut the 125th anniversary cake.

### Boonville

The Booneville branch is celebrating their 70th anniversary as well as AAUW's 125th with an article in the local paper, to appear in March 2007.

### Canton

Canton celebrated at a community forum with cake and refreshments. The mayor signed a proclamation, which is on display in the "Saturday Store," a Culver-Stockton College enterprise.

### Cape Girardeau



Joan Gones, president of the Cape Girardeau branch, (left) and Avon Crocker, membership and treasurer, watch as Mayor Jay Knudtson signs the 125 years Proclamation declaring Nov. 28 "AAUW Day"..

### Columbia

Celebrated with a proclamation by Darwin Hindman, Mayor of Columbia, and a reading of "Marion Talbot Speaks" at the November meeting.

### Creve Coeur

The September kickoff meeting featured a 125th anniversary cake and the December newsletter included an article on AAUW's beginnings.

### Ferguson-Florissant

Gracia Myers led a "Jeopardy" game about AAUW history at November branch meeting. Florissant Mayor Robert Lowery signed proclamation of "AAUW Day in the City of Florissant" on Nov. 27 with members present.

### Independence

The branch celebrated with a reception and cake on Nov. 28, followed by an overview of AAUW history by Ruth Oberhelman. Ruby Smith presented a new identification sign to the branch in honor of AAUW's 125th anniversary.



President, Jane White, with the vase of carnations before they were presented to past presidents.

## MORE MISSOURI 125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

### Kansas City



AAUW Kansas City Missouri branch celebrated 125 years of AAUW with cake and AAUW trivia. *Linda Berube, Branch President presenting the celebration cake. Others (clockwise, l. to r.) Debby Powell, Pam Burke, Helen Brooks and new member Denise Beard.*

### Kirkwood-Webster Groves

Featured article in December newsletter about celebration of AAUW's 125th anniversary.

### Maryville



*Maryville mayor Mike Thompson signing Proclamation as former AAUW branch president Nina Schneider, co-president Rosie Duty, co-president Sandi Mull, look on.*

### Nevada

Featured 3-part article on AAUW history in October, November, and January newsletters. Branch meeting Sept. 26 included a game of questions related to AAUW history.

### Parkville

Branch held "birthday party" on Nov. 15 with cake and ice cream. "Presents" suggested were donations to EF or LAF.

### Raytown



Celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the founding of the national AAUW organization, the Raytown branch read a special proclamation by Raytown Major Sue Frank, who is also a member of the local group. *Hostesses for the recent celebration are Dorothy Fry and Connie Turnipseed. Dorothy Turano is president.*

### St. Charles



*Mayor Patti York, of St. Charles, MO, presenting Proclamation making November 28 "AAUW Day" in St. Charles to Gerry Jacobs, President of St. Charles, MO Branch.*

### St. Louis

Mayor Francis Slay signed proclamation declaring Nov. 28 "AAUW Day."

### Springfield

Branch celebrated 125th anniversary with guest Yvonne Morrison, state EF Chair.

### St. Louis County (covers Ballwin-Chesterfield, Creve Coeur, Ferguson-Florissant, & Kirkwood-Webster Grove Branches)

County Executive Charlie Dooley signed proclamation proclaiming Nov. 28 "AAUW Day."

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Missouri Star Awards and AAUW 21st Century Awards  
[http:// www.aauwmo.org/2007\\_StarAward\\_Application.pdf](http://www.aauwmo.org/2007_StarAward_Application.pdf)

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Bring AAUW's message to interested people.  
Try the new electronic postcard! Here is a link:  
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## EXPANDING OUR LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP: AAUW'S BOLD MOVE INTO THE FUTURE

*Members have spoken. AAUW's boards have listened. And now your support is needed.*

For 125 years, AAUW has been advancing equity for women and girls through education, advocacy, philanthropy, and research—and through community action by strong branches throughout the country.

During the past 18 months, AAUW and the Educational Foundation have been engaged in an extensive strategic process to address shared challenges and opportunities. More than 11,000 members' voices were incorporated through surveys, online conversations, and discussions at the branch, state, regional, and national levels. Several principal findings have emerged as the result of this process:

- 1. Members' commitment to promoting equity for women of all ages is as strong as ever.**  
We continue to work on issues that affect women today, because equity is still an issue. To focus our strength and reaffirm our commitment, the AAUW and Educational Foundation boards have adopted a single, shared mission that encompasses the legacy of both:  

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.
- 2. We need to adapt AAUW's organizational structure to meet current and future challenges.**  
The strategic process found AAUW's current structure a barrier to attracting new members, strengthening our revenues, and accomplishing our mission. The boards heard the members' voices that we need to adapt our structure as a necessary first step toward reclaiming our legacy as a relevant, vibrant organization.
- 3. AAUW needs your engaged support now and your vote at the Association Convention in June.**  
We must adapt our structure and send a mandate to the new boards for immediate, bold action to move forward. Please take time to research the proposed structural changes for yourself and talk with other members at the local level about our collective direction.

Visit the AAUW website and click the Strategic Process link on the home page at <http://aauw.org>.

- Read the Joint Boards' Report (October 31, 2006).
- Study the chart outlining the proposed bylaws changes to be voted on at the Association convention.
- Get your questions answered and the facts by bookmarking, visiting, and revisiting the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).  
In addition, contact your branch and state leaders as well as others who will be voting at Association convention and let them know you support the proposed changes.

Let's support the proposed bylaws changes and send a clear, strong message to the new board members. Let's tell them we're ready to put them to work to reenergize and refocus the AAUW we love and to which we've given so much, because as we know, equity is still an issue.

### State and Branch 2007 Partnering Goals

During June's Conference of State Leaders, we discussed how states and branches can and need to partner with the national Association leadership (boards and staff) to maximize our work and effectiveness. Is your branch and state focusing on the partnering goals we identified?

**\*Member-Get-A-Member Campaign** -- New member recruitment goal 50% of members participation [http://www.aauw.org/member\\_center/membership\\_growth/Member-Get-A-MemberCampaign.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/member_center/membership_growth/Member-Get-A-MemberCampaign.cfm)

**\*Theme Teams re: Education as a Gateway to Economic Security** -- Constitute and empower a theme team at state and branch level. Implement theme team plans for mission based programming. <http://www.aauw.org/newvision/Mission-BasedProgramExamples.cfm>

**\*National Conference of College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)** -- June 7-9, 2007 Washington, DC. Promote AAUW's signature event, encourage and/or assist student attendance. Highlights of 2006 event <http://www.aauw.org/NCCWSL/2006/highlights.cfm>

**\*AAUW Convention 2007 -- June 29 to July 2, 2007, Phoenix, AZ** -- Fill state and branch delegations attendance plus one member or guest. <http://www.aauw.org/convention/Conv2007/index.cfm>

## SWC REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Over the past two months we've had wonderful celebrations of AAUW's 125th Anniversary, and these celebrations continue into the new year. Original songs, skits, and games, proclamations, community projects, recognitions, dinners, luncheons and dozens of birthday cakes all have been reported as occurring in the SWC region. It's not too late to join the celebration. We will be celebrating right up to the Phoenix convention and probably beyond.

AAUW activities are in full swing and I mean FULL. Upcoming events include the national convention in Phoenix (June 29 to July 2), of course. Be sure to check the incentives listed for state and branch delegates. The National Conference for College Women Student Leaders is scheduled for June 7-9. Work with your local college or university to encourage young women to attend. The Member-Get-A-Member is producing many new members (Remember, dues are half price now; and many states also have reduced rates.)

Your state meetings and conventions this year will be active, interesting and productive. Leader-to-Leaders, Association officers and committee members, and Regional Directors will all be out attending your events.

In this newsletter you will see an extensive article about AAUW's strategic planning. Please read it carefully. As AAUW moves into re-energizing itself for future success, we all need to embrace change to ensure that our future is bright and as successful as our history indicates we have been in the past. You are the key to this success!

Add to your New Year's resolutions this year:

- Use the new Mission Statement and Vision Statement in your communications to members
- Join AAUW's Action Network and encourage your branch members to do so
- Contribute to EF, LAF, and the Leadership and Training Institute
- Program an activity around Equal Pay Day April 24

My recent months have been wonderfully hectic as I've attended many of your events. In December I was the guest of Shawnee Mission KS branch, visiting their community outreach project; in January I participated in the ERA Rally in Arkansas co-sponsored by AAUW. Also, in January, I attended Texas AAUW's reception and Board Meeting. In September, I attended the Kansas Board Meeting and Leadership Conference; I've attended board meetings in Missouri and Oklahoma recently and visited a number of branches. Plans include legislative days in Arkansas, Missouri and Oklahoma and conventions in the spring in a number of states.

As always, contact me at sbreeze@mindspring.com with any questions.

*Shirley Breeze*  
SWC Regional Director



*Shirley Breeze*

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## EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION - 2006 CONTRIBUTIONS

The year end collection of donations for the AAUW Educational Foundation has been completed. All monies were mailed to the foundation before the 2006 deadline. Final tabulations will be reported to you at the April State Meeting.

## MISSOURI DIAMOND JUBILEE RESEARCH AND PROJECTS GRANT

The Missouri Diamond Jubilee Research and Projects Grant is one of the 2006-07 sponsors of a Career Development Grant awarded to Suzanne M. Pegas. Suzanne is attending San Francisco State University in Berkeley, California and working on her M.A. in Environmental Education. After completing her degree, she plans to teach urban youth how to connect with the natural world. Missouri members can take pride in how their grant is helping to make a difference in the world.

Yvonne Morrison  
Missouri Educational Foundation chair

**News of the  
Missouri in Motion  
Emailing Project**

**Dear Friends – Thanks to the more than 300 AAUW-MO members who received their October Missouri in Motion by e-mail. Even more Winter issues have been e-mailed!**

**The money saved on printing and mailing costs goes towards furthering worthwhile AAUW goals. Members receive their newsletters much sooner than by postal mail-- important when time-sensitive material is enclosed.**

**Each branch has been contacted to update their mailing lists; however one important item for members to do remains.**

**Please remember to notify me if your e-mail address changes!  
Send your change to joyka234@aol.com.**

**Did you know that you can view and download current and past issues of MISSOURI in MOTION on the website:**

**<http://www.aauwmo.org>  
Click on link to the right under Missouri in Motion.**

**Joyce Katz,  
Ballwin-Chesterfield  
Branch**

## LEAVES FROM THE BRANCHES

The **Springfield Branch** decided to target voter registration as our GET OUT THE VOTE project. In Greene County it is estimated that 42-48% of the people eligible to vote are not registered. During the month of September the group posted flyers at work places, churches, grocery stores, libraries, apartment buildings and college campuses reminding individuals of the voter registration deadline. At least one employer hosted a voter registration drive because of the flyer. On Oct 6, 10,000 stickers were placed on the front page of the local newspaper. The stickers were targeted to the areas with the lowest voter turn out.

The **Columbia Branch** will celebrate its 100th anniversary on Saturday, October 13, 2007 at a luncheon. The branch will produce a booklet of its history to commemorate one hundred years of support for women's issues in mid Missouri.

State Bylaws Chair and branch liaison Lorraine Whittington visited the **Nevada Branch** to participate in their November Christmas Auction fundraiser. This branch uses their e-mail system for good communication

The **Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch** presented an informational seminar, for 120 people, about the Stem Cell Research and Cures Ballot Initiative on October 21, 2006.

Washington University Research Professor, F. Patrick Ross, Ph.D., and St Louis University Ethics Professor, Gerard Magill, Ph.D. addressed the scientific, economic and ethical issues that Missouri voters had to consider before they cast their vote in November.

The branch co-sponsored the event with the National Coalition of One Hundred Black Women, Metropolitan

St. Louis Chapter; Older Women's League, Gateway Chapter; Business and Professional Women/St. Louis Chapter; National Organization for Women; Metro St. Louis Women's Political Caucus; St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society Alliance; and The Links, Inc., St. Louis Chapter.



*Bette Bude, Dr. Gerard Magill, Dr. F. Patrick Ross, Myrna Fichtenbaum, Mersine Kallaos, Rosann Swaringim, Erlaine Eltomi*

### UMKC "Selfless Saturday"

The University of Missouri at Kansas City Women's Center and the American Association of University Women Kansas City's student affiliate group created "Selfless Saturday" to volunteer assistance with a variety of community projects.

On October 14th, both groups volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and Christmas in October. Volunteers for the Habitat group painted the interior walls of a local home to get it ready for a new family; the Christmas in October group organized a clothes closet for students attending Cristo Rey.



*Student volunteers Lindsey Howard and Terre' Myers put together business attire for students with the assistance of Felicia Medellin, Cristo Rey's volunteer coordinator.*



## LEAVES FROM THE BRANCHES (CONT.)

The **Creve Coeur Branch** of AAUW presented a project entitled “What you need to know about identity theft, top frauds and scams, avoiding investment scams and frauds.” This information was presented by representatives from AARP; it was attended by both AAUW members from several branches and others in the community.

Participants found the issues and concerns covered to be pertinent to their everyday lives, and the opportunities for interaction and questions to be very beneficial. Responses indicated that this program, and others like it, will be of benefit not only to members of AAUW, but to the public in general.



*Front row Lois Scoville, Creve Coeur publicity; Anita Parran AARP presenter; Mary Serbi, AARP presenter; Alberta Murstein, Creve Coeur Project Chair. Back row: Arthur Visor, AARP presenter; Karen Cox, Creve Coeur AAUW President.*

## AAUW IN THE MEDIA

### AAUW Quoted in Associated Press Story on Single-Sex Education

AAUW Director of Public Policy and Government Relations Lisa Maatz was quoted in an Associated Press story about single-sex education. Lisa spoke confidently about AAUW’s position on single-sex education in light of the Department of Education’s recent announcement to issue regulations to ease limits on single-sex education. The story was picked up by newspapers and TV stations in more than 20 states and reached an audience of more than 6.5 million.

Single-sex schools are an “illusionary silver bullet,” said Lisa Maatz, director of public policy and government relations for the American Association of University Women. They distract from real problems and do not offer proven solutions such as lower class sizes and sufficient funding, she said.

Read about the Dept. of Education’s single-sex schools announcement.  
AAUW’s statement [www.aauw.org/newsroom/pressreleases/10-24-06-sse.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/newsroom/pressreleases/10-24-06-sse.cfm)  
Read the AP story, More Public Schools Dividing Boys, Girls.  
[www.twincities.com/mld/twincities/news/16547301.htm](http://www.twincities.com/mld/twincities/news/16547301.htm)

### AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund Media Coverage

Recently, the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund has seen heavy media coverage because of two plaintiff’s cases. Michael Burch, former UC-Davis head wrestling coach, settled his case with the UC Regents last week for \$725,000. New plaintiff Robin Potera-Haskins, is suing Montana State University for sex discrimination and retaliation for complaining about sex discrimination.

Read more about Michael Burch’s case.  
<http://www.aauw.org/newsroom/pressreleases/1-19-07-Burch.cfm>

Read more about Robin Potera-Haskin’s case.  
<http://www.aauw.org/newsroom/pressreleases/1-17-07-PoteraHaskins.cfm>

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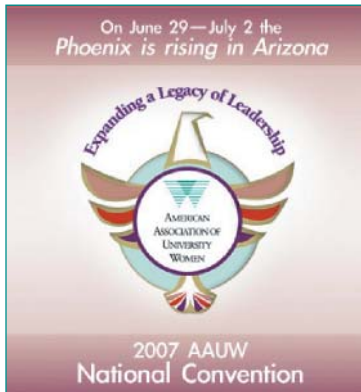
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## Proposed Bylaws Changes

**State Bylaws Chair, Lorraine Whittington, and her committee of Sue Barley and Jan Scott proposed the following amendments to the state bylaws. The amendments were approved by the Board Jan. 27 and will be voted on by the Delegate Assembly at the State Convention April 21. The amendments clarify the state portion of dues after Jan. 1 and the timing and description of the leadership conference and state convention.**

**Article VI. Section 7.**  
*New members may join at any time. Dues are payable upon joining. The Association portion and the state portion of dues paid by new members between January 1 and March 15 shall be one half the annual dues.*

**Article XV. Add a new section 3 and renumber.**

*In even-numbered years, the delegate assembly shall be part of a leadership conference. In odd-numbered years, the delegate assembly shall be part of a state convention.*

## PHOENIX IS RISING IN ARIZONA: EXPANDING A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP

AAUW is aware that all regions, branches, and states are challenged by the expenses in their operating budgets. **This year AAUW has designed the convention incentive program to help lighten the burden** in your operating budgets.

So plan your recruiting efforts now to ensure you'll win these terrific prizes! (Branches may only qualify for one of the two or three prizes).

### **LARGE BRANCHES (101 members or higher)**

Branches that send ten or more members\* will receive

- A \$150 gift certificate from FedEx, Kinko's or Staples. OR
- A one-hour AAUW webinar of your choice about an AAUW program or support function. OR
- Five, one hour consultant calls from each of the following areas: Public Policy/Advocacy, Meetings/Events, Membership Recruitment, Programming, and Development over the next year. With an approximate value of \$1,250.

### **MEDIUM BRANCHES (46-100 members)**

Branches that send five or more members\* will receive

- A \$100 gift certificate from FedEx, Kinko's or Staples. OR
- A \$100 gift certificate from Amazon.com. OR
- Five, one hour consultant calls from each of the following areas: Public Policy/Advocacy, Meetings/Events, Membership Recruitment, Programming, and Development over the next year. With an approximate value of \$1,250.

### **SMALL BRANCHES (45 members or less)**

Branches that send three or more members\* will receive

- A \$50 gift certificate from FedEx, Kinko's or Staples. OR
- A 1½ hour consultation from an AAUW department of your choice, to be used between July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 (valued at \$250). OR
- Five, one hour consultant calls from each of the following areas: Public Policy/Advocacy, Meetings/Events, Membership Recruitment, Programming, and Development over the next year. With an approximate value of \$1,250.

\*All 2007 AAUW Convention attendance incentives are based upon participants registered and paid at the full convention rate (\$375). (Note: All membership numbers will be based on Feb. 1, 2007 membership counts.)

### **International Corner**

AAUW has partnered with the Academy for Educational Development on the *One Shared World* campaign. In honor of **International Women's Day, March 8, 2007**, AAUW will be disseminating *One Shared World's* new "program-in-a-box materials" for states, branches, and members to use in their celebrations and programs to observe the day and throughout the year. One Shared World seeks to connect America's women to the many public and private efforts that help women in developing countries overcome poverty, hunger, illiteracy, and disease. For more information go to [http://www.aauw.org/international\\_corner/OneSharedWorld.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/international_corner/OneSharedWorld.cfm)



# KS & MO AAUW Annual Conference



## EXPANDING OUR LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP

April 20-22, 2007

Park University, Parkville, MO\*

with honored guests

Betty Bayless, Association Director-at-Large and Leader-to-Leader

Linda Bors, Association Finance Vice President

Shirley Breeze, Southwest Central Regional Director

Friday	5 – 7	Displays and Sales
April 20	6	Tour the Park University Underground and Archives; meet in CDL (Look for AAUW sign with balloons attached)
	7 – 9	Celebrate AAUW – Reception for AAUW Leaders
Saturday	8 – 9	Registration and Continental Breakfast
April 21	9 – 10	Welcome & Keynote Address by AAUW Leader-to-Leader Betty Bayless
	10 – 10:45	Panel: Membership Success Stories
	11 – 11:45	Workshop: Starting a Student AAUW Branch
		Workshop: Branch Financial Planning
		Workshop: AAUW Strategic Process: Moving Toward the June Convention
	12 – 1:15	Lunch with EF Fellow Leisha DeHart Davis, Kansas University
	1:30 - 2:15	Town Hall Meeting with our AAUW Leaders
	2:30 - 3:15	Workshop: Starting a Student AAUW Branch
		Workshop: Keeping Up with Technology
		Workshop: Public Policy Update
	3:30 – 4:30	KS and MO Business Meetings and Awards Presentations
	6 – 9	Celebration Banquet with an LAF Plaintiff
	9 -- ??	Meet Me in St. Louis
Sunday	7:15	EF Walk Along the River
April 22	8:15 – 9	Continental Breakfast
	9 – 9:45	Last Chance – Q&A with Our Leaders
	10 – 10:45	Dress Rehearsal for Phoenix and Closing

### ~ Register by April 10 ~

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ Officer Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Delegate: Yes/No

Note: Each branch is entitled to at least two voting delegates, regardless of membership count.

Member-at-large     Student affiliate     College/University rep     First AAUW conference

Students (includes AAUW membership)	\$40.
Members who register by March 21	50.
Members who register after March 21	60.
Contribution to Student Costs (opt.)	10.
Additional Banquet Guest	18.
Deduction if not attending Banquet	-18.
Sunday breakfast (opt.)	7.50
TOTAL DUE "MO AAUW CONFERENCE"	\$ _____

**Send registration to:  
Marsha Koch  
1742 Connemara Drive  
Ballwin, MO 63021**

**Maps, directions, and  
additional information at:  
<http://aauwmo.org/>**

Please explain special needs or meals: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Contact Marsha Koch at 636-256-3746 or [marshak@gmage.net](mailto:marshak@gmage.net)

\*A block of 20 rooms is reserved for conference attendees at AmeriSuites, 7600 NW 97th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64153, (816) 891-0871, \$75/night. Last day to reserve at this rate is March 30.  
<http://www.amerisuites.com/reservations/locationdetail.asp?facid=4029>

**Adelante!**  
**AAUW's Book of  
the Month Club**

**February (Black History Month)**  
**The Water Is Wide**  
by Pat Conroy (1987)

**March (Women's History Month)**  
**Lighting the Way: Nine Women  
Who Changed Modern America**  
by Karenn Gore Schiff (2006)

**April**  
**Money, A Memoir:  
Women, Emotions, and Cash**  
by Liz Perle (2006)

**For more information:**  
[http://www.aauw.org/community  
\\_programs/adelante/06.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/community_programs/adelante/06.cfm)

**AAUW Missouri Calendar  
2007**

**March Women's History Month**  
**Mar 15** Progress in Equity nomina-  
tions due to Legal Advocacy Fund  
**Mar 15** Half-year dues  
program ends  
**Mar 21** Missouri Star Award and  
AAUW 21st Century Award appli-  
cations due to Donna Eichman and  
Mary Gaffey, St. Louis IBC co-  
chairs  
**Mar 27** Legislative Lobby Day,  
State Capitol, Jefferson City, MO  
**Apr 15** MO History Day,  
Columbia  
**Apr 15** LAF Case Sup-  
port applications due  
**Apr 20** State Board meeting,  
Park University, Parkville, MO  
**Apr 21-22** Missouri State An-  
nual Conference (Joint Conference  
with Kansas), Park University,  
Parkville, MO - Kansas City area  
**June 29-July 2**  
AAUW Convention, Phoenix

**CALLING ALL MEMBERS AT LARGE!**

Missouri's Statewide Board invites you to join AAUW--Missouri!  
Membership begins immediately and runs until July 2008.

Why join the statewide group?

- Missouri in Motion newsletters (four per year)
- Increased networking with women leaders
- Fast information on statewide convention and leadership conferences
- Access to the discussion lists

It is a great way to stay in touch with what is happening in the AAUW of Mis-  
souri!

And all for \$10 per year!

To join contact Debbie McWard at [debmward@earthlink.net](mailto:debmward@earthlink.net).

**MARCH 27 LEGISLATIVE LOBBY DAY,  
STATE CAPITOL, JEFFERSON CITY, MO**

*9:30 am to 1:00 pm - House Hearing Room 2 - No charge*

Schedule: 9:30-10:00 Registration, Refreshments  
10:00-12:00 Legislative Briefing  
12:00-1:00 Lobby your Legislator

For information, contact: 314-831-5359 or 573-642-6354

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