



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

## *St. Charles Branch AAUW February 2017 Newsletter*

*St. Charles Branch AAUW held its first meeting on October 27, 1933.*

February --      **Branch Meeting – Now in Collier Room off the Atrium**  
6:30- 6:40 pm    Former Named Gift Honorees meet to vote on *2017 Named Gift Honorees*  
6:30- 7:00 pm    Social Time    Desserts and Coffee  
7:00- 7:45 pm    Speaker-Karen Sieve    Regional Safe Place Manager    Youth in Need (YIN)  
7:45-8:30 pm    Business Meeting    Registration forms available for Spring Fling and Trivia  
Hostesses: \* Joyce Rothermich, Susan Moellering, Grace Poertner, Warlene Reed

**February Speaker:** Karen Sieve oversees the largest Safe Place program in the nation as Regional Safe Place Manager for Youth In Need, a local nonprofit organization. Karen is responsible for recruiting and training Safe Place sites, fostering community education, and conducting presentations for schools, businesses and community groups in the area. Since June 2008, Karen has grown the program from 262 Safe Place locations to 875. Karen’s Safe Place activities highlight the critical role that the community plays in ensuring all children have a “safe place” in their lives. Karen earned her BA in Political Science and Master of Public Policy Admin from the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

**¡Adelante!**      1:30 pm    Barnes and Noble Book Store    Clarkson Road in Chesterfield  
February 23    Re Jane by Patricia Park      Reviewer: Janice Rumfelt

**GREAT DECISIONS-** Karen Schneider will lead discussions starting at 10 am at First UMC the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays February- May. Book is \$25.75 payable to Karen at February 2 meeting. Weather concerns? If “City of St Charles Schools” are closed, so is the church.

### Great Decisions 2017 Topics

The Future of Europe: Coping with Crisis	Trade, Jobs and Politics
Conflict in the South China Sea	Saudi Arabia in Transition
U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum	Latin America’s Political Pendulum
Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan	Nuclear Security: The Enduring Challenge

### **2017 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS LECTURE SERIES-Free and Open to the Public**

Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Road at 10:45 a.m. In case of inclement weather, please call 314-991-0995 x 224. Meet at Karen Schneider’s house by 10 am to car pool. Lunch at PF Changs.

February 14: Russia Today: Dr. Ellen Carnaghan, SLU Professor & Chair of Political Science

March 14: Immigrants and Refugees from a Global Perspective: Uma A. Segal UMSL Professor in School of Social Work.

**LAF- Barb Olive** AAUW works to address complex social issues that cannot be solved without broad buy-in from a variety of stakeholders. Here are three collaborations that AAUW has welcomed to be a part of to improve equity and education for women and girls:

Lockheed Martin provided a grant this year that helped support the AAUW Tech Trek national program and specific sponsorship to camps serving Lockheed Martin communities at the following locations: University of Alabama, Huntsville; Stanford University; Richard Stockton College and New Mexico Tech.

Verizon Foundation again supported AAUW Tech Trek in 2016 to help ignite middle school girls' curiosity and passion for science, technology, engineering, and math. Verizon Foundation's ongoing commitment allowed AAUW to continue offering the MIT App Inventor course, where girls build their own mobile apps, at all 21 Tech Trek sites, bringing the course to more than 300 girls this past summer.

The National Science Foundation supported AAUW's research report "Solving the Equation: The Variables for Women's Success in Engineering and Computing" which launched a national conversation about the two STEM fields where women are most underrepresented.

## **Save the Dates!!!!**

### **Annual STEM Awards and Salad Supper**

16 area senior young women will be honored for math or science excellence.

March 2 Multi-Purpose Room

***Everyone brings a salad or entrée by 6:00 pm to serve 12-16 people***

Desserts are also appreciated

Dinner 6:30 pm

Awards and speeches 7:15 pm

*Be sure to attend the most inspirational meeting of the year!!*

The world is in good hands with these future leaders!

### **Annual IBC Spring Fling Luncheon      **March 25****

Glen Echo Country Club (off Lucas & Hunt)      \$28      Raffle Baskets  
Registration- 11 am      Lunch- Noon      Car pool

### **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Ladies Tea Time Trivia**

Saturday, April 22      1:00- 3:30 pm      \$15

Fantastic food, fun, and friends.

Questions are topics of interest to women. NO men's sports!

Support the two local branch high school scholarships!!

### **The Year is 1965...**

Women can be barred from holding jobs that involve lifting more than 35 pounds.

For every dollar men earned, women on the average earned fifty-nine cents.

There is no term to describe a man slapping a female co-worker on the rear end, commenting on her breasts, or firing her if she refuses to have sex with him.

It is legal for a husband to rape his wife.