

## IBC BARBARA LACKRITZ AAUW AWARD PROGRAM INSERT SHEET

**HONOREE'S NAME**    **Marcia Block**

**BRANCH NAME**        **AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield**

**BRANCH PRESIDENT'S NAME**        **Sandy Brody and Sage Taber**

The purpose of the IBC Barbara Lackritz AAUW Award is to recognize the branch member for leadership and service to AAUW and the community.

**1. Upholds the mission to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.**

Marcia Block upholds the AAUW mission in numerous ways demonstrated by her attendance at four national conventions, many state conferences, and a regional conference; annual donations; created a parent/school educational resource and video on AAUW's STEM research report, *Why So Few*, and attends multiple annual STEM Girls of Promise events at local high schools.

**2. Provides service to AAUW at any of the local, state, regional or national level(s).**

Marcia serves the AAUW Ballwin-Chesterfield Branch by being an active member of committees and interest groups: LAF, membership, program, branch restructuring, and financial planning committees; newsletter proof-reader for branch and state newsletters; founded and chairs the Reading Reality Interest Group and facilitates/hosts numerous book discussions for many years in three branch literature groups.

**3. Provides leadership to AAUW at any of the local, state, regional or national level(s).**

Since joining the B-C branch in 2005, Marcia's leadership resume is extensive: Parliamentarian, EOF Fund Chair, twice branch president (the second after serious illness), Winter Fundraiser chair (three years), Spring Luncheon, and currently serves both as program vice president, and STEM chair.

**4. Provides service and leadership in non-AAUW areas in the community, religious, professional, and/or political arenas.**

Marcia provides service for her community in numerous ways:

- committee member for Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) STEM conference for middle school girls,
- participated in the Girl Scouts of Greater STL Science Diva project at Normandy Middle School,
- since 2005, service to Wild Bird Rehabilitation (20–25 hours weekly/April-October),
- supporter of the arts—SLSO, the Repertory Theatre, St. Louis Opera Theater, and the Union St. Opera.