

Let's Get Social On Sat. Afternoon Dec. 10

December is a busy time for family gatherings and other social events. We are a small branch now and cannot manage a dinner event, but it would be nice to continue the tradition of getting together in December for conversation and food.

Thus we would like our AAUW members and friends to take a short break from shopping and cooking for some social time on Saturday afternoon December 10 between 1:30 and 3:30 pm . Branch officers Penny Ball and Yvette Branch will be at the Spring Creek Barbeque, 2827 W Wheatland Rd, Dallas, TX 75237 .

Come and join us for any part of that time. In addition to the main food service line, there is also a cobbler and ice cream service area. So stop by for lunch or dessert or just a cup of coffee.

Try the Christmas songs quiz on page 3. Answers will be available at the gathering on December 10.



Upcoming Branch Meetings - 2017

We plan to hold our general meetings at the International Museum of Cultures conference room on the 4th Saturday each month from 11:00 a.m. to noon. We are looking for ways to advertize the programs and attract new members. We have several good speaker options but we need to find an audience for our programs and potential branch membership.

Engineers Week February 20-25.

Several engineering groups sponsor an annual program to promote engineering, especially to girls. We will have an exhibit at the International Museum of Cultures (possibly starting in January). We have arranged to have the hands-on workshop "Electronics Magic" presented on Saturday afternoon Feb. 25 for anyone age 12 or older. The cost will be \$10 (which includes the Museum entry fee). We will try to get a woman engineer to talk at our branch meeting that morning.

STEM Adventures for 2017

We plan to continue to offer a small program of hands-on STEM theme workshops for middle school girls to be held at the International Museum of Cultures. We had a successful event on Oct. 15 with the DeSoto ISD (see photos in November newsletter) but we had to cancel the planned November event because we didn't have any registrants. Thus the plan for 2017 is to invite schools or other groups to propose a date for their group and if the presenters are available, we will then schedule an event for that group.

International Museum of Cultures - Free Persian dinner on Dec. 17

The **International Museum of Cultures** is the site for many interesting programs and we encourage our members and friends to participate. The Museum is located at 411 Hwy 67, Duncanville, 75137 (just south of Danieldale Rd, on the southbound service road.) The Museum will be closed for most of December, except for special events or reserved tours.

Information about current programs is at www.internationalmuseumofcultures.org
...December 17 (the 3rd Saturday) at 7pm: Persian dinner. The Intercultural Movie and Dinner Program organizers Anne & Tim Perry and their friends in the local Bahai community will be bringing authentic Persian food. Anyone interested in intercultural harmony is welcome to attend. You might bring liter-size soft drinks or fruit to supplement the main course offerings.

Free International Dance Program on January 1

The Plaza Arts Center in Carrollton is sponsoring its 10th annual New Year's International Dance Festival on Sunday January 1. From 1:00 to 3:00 there will be performances by several dance groups, plus videos and teaching of simple dances. From 3:00 to 5:00 there will be a folk dance for all. Dress is casual, no partner needed, and all ages are welcome. The Center is located at 115 Fourth Avenue, Carrollton, 75006 on the south side of the town square. If you are going north on I-35, use the Crosby Street exit in order to avoid the worst highway construction area at Beltline Road.

AAUW member Penny Ball and her friend Anne Perry (organizer of the 4th Saturday movie and dinner program at the International Museum of Cultures) are participating in a set of Russian dances that will be performed by the Plaza Arts Center folk dancers.

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Branch info, meeting plans, and past newsletters are at www.AAUW-swdc.org

Our future URL [<http://SWDallas-TX.AAUW.net>] is still a work in progress but I hope to have it updated by January. If you would like to receive the newsletters by email, just let me know; I have a distribution list for non-members who want to receive the newsletters but no other branch mailings.

Penny Ball (penny@acm.org)

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND SONGS

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| _____ On the feast of Stephen | _____ The stockings were hung by the chimney |
| _____ Jack Frost nipping at your nose | _____ Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy |
| _____ If only in my dreams | _____ Oh what fun it is to ride |
| _____ On a cold winter night that was so deep | _____ Holy infant, so tender and mild |
| _____ Joyful and triumphant | _____ In the lane snow is glistening |
| _____ You'd better not pout | _____ Decorations are red on a green Christmas tree |
| _____ We'll take a cup of kindness yet | _____ Our new born king to see |
| _____ Just like the ones I used to know | _____ He came to life one day |
| _____ Later we'll have some pumpkin pie | _____ How still we see Thee lie |
| _____ It's the best time of the year | _____ Bells are ringing children singing |
| _____ Peace on earth and mercy mild | _____ That glorious song of old |
| _____ The stars are brightly shining | _____ Another year over |
| _____ I don't want a lot for Christmas | _____ Then one foggy Christmas eve |
| _____ You're as cuddly as a cactus | _____ I want to wish you a Merry Christmas |
| _____ In the air there's a feeling of Christmas | _____ Two turtle doves |
| _____ Let nothing you dismay | _____ Underneath the mistletoe last night |
| _____ Following yonder star | _____ Oh the weather outside is frightful |

- 1 All I Want for Christmas Is You
- 2 Auld Lang Syne
- 3 Blue Christmas
- 4 The Christmas Song
- 5 Do You Hear What I Hear?
- 6 Feliz Navidad
- 7 The First Noel
- 8 Frosty the Snowman
- 9 God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
- 10 Good King Wenceslas
- 11 Hark the Herald Angels Sing
- 12 Here Come Santa Claus
- 13 Holly Jolly Christmas
- 14 I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
- 15 I'll Be Home for Christmas
- 16 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
- 17 Jingle Bells

- 18 Let It Snow
- 19 Little Drummer Boy
- 20 O Come All Ye Faithful
- 21 O Holy Night
- 22 O Little Town of Bethlehem
- 23 Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree
- 24 Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
- 25 Santa Claus Is Coming to Town
- 26 Silent Night
- 27 Silver Bells
- 28 So This Is Christmas
- 29 'Twas the Night Before Christmas
- 30 The Twelve Days of Christmas
- 31 We Three Kings
- 32 White Christmas
- 33 Winter Wonderland
- 34 You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch



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