

### Upcoming Branch Meetings - 2016

We hold our general meetings at the International Museum of Cultures conference room on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to noon. Our final meeting for 2016 will be on November 19; we may have an informal social get-together in early December.

November 19 "Planning for Success: Finding Your Motivation". If you need encouragement to start a new project or make an important behavior change, this session will inspire you to get going. It is a repeat of our September program by Yvette Branch.

Long term success for the branch will require adding new members who will take an active role and organize activities that relate to their needs as well as the AAUW mission. **Please spread the word to anyone who might be interested in joining us** to help promote equity for women and girls. We are currently focused on STEM but new members will be encouraged to pursue any useful activities. New members who join at any of our public meetings get a 50% discount for their first year dues !

### Duncanville's Community in Unity event on Saturday October 29

The Museum of Cultures had a display table and we included information about AAUW.

There were booths from many church and culture organizations, plus food, music, and fun activities for kids. Weather was great for this small town multi-culture event.



### **STEM Adventures—November 12**

We are offering a small program of hands-on STEM theme workshops for middle school girls to be held at the International Museum of Cultures. The workshop area has seating for a maximum of 24 girls (at 4 tables of 6). DeSoto ISD girls attended the first session on October 15. (See photos on pages 3 & 4.) We are still seeking students to attend the next session on November 12, from 9:30 (sign-in) to 12:30. The girls attend 2 workshops: Electronics Magic and Designing for Flight. Our flyer / registration form is available as a pdf file at our website [www.AAUW-swdc.org](http://www.AAUW-swdc.org). **If you are able to help, starting at 9am**, please contact [penny@acm.org](mailto:penny@acm.org).

### **International Museum of Cultures**

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 Daniieldale Rd, on the southbound service road. ) The Museum hours are 10am to 4pm, Monday through Friday; Saturday groups by appointment - call 972-572-0462 . Admission is \$7.50 for adults, \$5 for students & seniors. Information about current programs is at [www.internationalmuseumofcultures.org](http://www.internationalmuseumofcultures.org)

### **November Special Events**

**...A Weeklong Tribute to World War I Heroes:** Monday through Friday, **November 7-11**, with special exhibits, 2 concerts, (fee), book signing, symposium, and WWI era car display. Some events with assistance of local Daughters of the American Revolution.

**...Annual Orville Rogers Run for the Hills, Saturday Nov. 12:** Register online (fee is \$35 in Nov) or in person up to 7:00am on run day (fee is \$40); do either a 5.K run or 1 mile walk. Receive a T-shirt & WWI commemorative disk; option to wear name of your WWI hero on your race bib. Your participation and performance is included in RaceWire, a Dallas area database that allows you to track your performance over multiple race events.

### **4th Saturday events—Free, but donations encouraged.**

**...November 26 at 7pm:** the **International Film Series** will feature a showing of the documentary "Luminous Journey: Abdu'l-Baha in America, 1912", about an exiled sage who brings a message of peace, race unity, gender equality, & social transformation to America. The film is a production of Duncanville residents Anne and Tim Perry, the organizers of the film series.

**...December 17 (the 3rd Saturday) at 7pm:** Persian dinner. Many local friends of the series organizers will be bringing authentic food.

Branch info, meeting plans, and past newsletters are at [www.AAUW-swdc.org](http://www.AAUW-swdc.org)

Our future URL [ SWDalllas-TX.AAUW.net ] is still a work in progress.

If you would like to receive the newsletters by email, just let me know ([penny@acm.org](mailto:penny@acm.org)).

I have a distribution list for non-members who want to receive the newsletters but no other branch mailings.

### **Branch Officers for July 2016—June 2017:**

President / Treasurer Penny Ball ([penny@acm.org](mailto:penny@acm.org))

### **Committee Chairs:**

Newsletter, website, STEM programs - Penny Ball

Membership, Policy - Yvette Branch ([yvettebranch@yahoo.com](mailto:yvettebranch@yahoo.com))



## Photos from Oct. 15, 2016

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(Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)

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**“Designing for Flight”**  
presented by Candy Robinson.  
Principles of flight & assembly line  
production.



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**“Electronics Magic”**  
**Presented by Jaime Hunter.**  
**Role of different components in a circuit.**

