

Southwest Dallas County AAUW

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Meetings for September through November

This fall our branch meetings will be on the **3rd Saturday** of the month (Sept. 16, Oct. 21, and Nov. 18) at 1:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Museum of International Cultures (411 Hwy 67, Duncanville, on the southbound service road, just south of Danieldale Rd).

Each meeting will be open to the public and will have the same theme:

Ideas for Science Learning Activities for Middle School Students.

Parents are invited to a free program to learn about some simple hands-on activities your family can do to interest your middle school students in science and technology. Challenge each other to build the tallest spaghetti tower or make a sturdy platform from newspaper. Members of the Southwest Dallas County AAUW will provide information and examples for activities that use simple materials and demonstrate applications of science.

Branch members can help by promoting these meetings to parents of middle school students.

We have ideas for some simple hands-on activities that the family can do together to encourage a student's interest in science and technology. The STEM Resources page of our website has links to useful websites that have ideas for such activities.

We are continuing to work with the Museum on planning for a program of STEM workshops. Rather than schedule an event and hope we get enough students to sign up, we are asking groups to contact us and we will arrange an event for their requested date.

We are not planning any branch social events. Members are encouraged to attend the international dinners or films at the Museum on the 4th Saturday of the month. See schedule on page 2.

Pumpkin Fest & Estate Sale on Saturday October 7

The Museum of International Cultures will be hosting this event from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on their grounds and in the Museum building. In addition to crafts from Africa and small 'garage sale' items, there will also be some high-end items from a local donor estate. To brighten the festivities, there will be entertainment such as a local Mariachi group.

Our AAUW branch will have a table to distribute information about AAUW in general and our STEM program in particular. We will also have copies of a new book by local author Anne Perry that features an early feminist: *Unseen Witness: Sarah Farmer & The Portsmouth Peace Treaty.*

You are encouraged to come and buy some interesting items, then sit at our AAUW table to talk with the public.

University Woman Texas (UWT) Newsletters are Online

The newsletter from AAUW Texas is published four times a year. All branch members with an e-mail address registered with national AAUW on the Membership Services Database are e-mailed the UWT online link as soon as it is published. If you did not receive the **fall newsletter from AAUW TX**, you can access a copy at the state website http://AAUW-TX.AAUW.net. Scroll down the home page until you find the link.

Branch info, newsletters, and future meeting plans are at our website http://SWDallas-TX.AAUW.net

If you would like to receive the newsletters by email, just let me know: Penny@acm.org I have a distribution list for non-members who want to receive the news-letters but no other branch mailings. Our Branch Officers: Marilyn Barnes (President);

Penny Ball (Treasurer, newsletter & web site, STEM programs)

Museum of International Cultures

The Museum of International Cultures is the site for our monthly meetings and also for many interesting programs. We encourage our members and friends to participate.

In addition to exhibits about some lesser-known contemporary cultures, there is also a new exhibit of work by local artists every few months. A collection to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of World War I is in the front lobby until November 2019 : the war officially ended with the Armistice signing in November 1919.

The Museum entry fee to tour the exhibits is \$7.50 for adults or \$4 for students and seniors. Many of the special evening events are free. The Museum is located at 411 Hwy 67, Duncanville, 75137 (just south of Danieldale Rd, on the southbound service road.) Information about the Museum exhibits and events is at the website www.MICmuseum.org

Saturday Evening Free Events at the Museum of International Cultures

A series of free international-theme events is scheduled for each month, usually for the 4th Saturday. The programs alternate between dinners and films. Each event starts at 7:00 p.m.

The International Pot-luck Dinner program will feature Cuba on October 28 and Persia / Iran on December 16 (the 3rd Saturday). Everyone is invited to attend and meet new people, share foods related to the featured culture (or anything you prefer to bring), and enjoy a short program about the featured culture. These dinner events are organized and co-sponsored by the local Baha'i Community.

The **International Film** series program is cancelled for September. The film to be shown on **November 25** is "Septembers in Shiraz". After creating a prosperous life in Iran, a Jewish family may be forced to abandon everything as the revolution of 1979 looms on the horizon.

Local Art Activities

Through Sept. 30: INNER.SPACE GALLERY 100 S Main Street, Suite #114 Group Exhibition, new works by Toni Martin, Sheryl Anaya, and Sarah Martin. The gallery curator is Scott Tucker.

ART WALK: Oct. 7, 6 pm-midnight Artists will have table space on the sidewalk to sell, demonstrate, or simply do their art. The event will be in the sidewalk area near Inner Space Gallery (se above).

Until Oct. 14: **Musica! An Exhibit On Dallas Mexican American Music**, 6-8 pm Latino Cultural Center, 2600 Live Oak St, Dallas 75204 Scott Tucker, curator; Tim Perry, video producer !!!!!!

Through Nov. 18th: Sly Cat Gallery Themed "Alter Ego" this exhibition brings to light the side of ourselves we hide from the world, as explored through artwork. Featuring art by: Theresa Brooks, June Covington, Laura Davidson, Christine Engebretsen, Curtis Frederick, Sarah Graham, Sandra Morante, Anne Perry, David Ross, Hannah Tyler, and Ricky Dean Wyrick. Gallery is located at 206 South Broad St. Cedar Hill, TX 75104 . See: <u>http://www.slycatgallery.com/new-events/</u>

CATS—the musical will be presented by Family Musical Theatre at Cedar Valley College, Lancaster. **Performances: October 13-14, 20-21, 27-28; Friday & Saturday 7:30pm · Saturday Matinees 1:30pm** This performance will be a unique theatrical experience unlike anything you've seen. Due to a special and exciting seating arrangement, exclusive to this production, seating in the theatre will be limited, so call and purchase your tickets now.

TICKETS: \$8 Children (Ages 4-12); \$10 Seniors (55+); \$15 Adults; \$10 Student Discount Price with ID. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the CVC Business Office, Monday-Thursday 8:00am-7:00pm and Friday 8:00am-5:00pm, or by calling 972-860-2994.