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Old Dog/New Tricks

Teresa Gregory, Editor

With the start of the new year the countdown to the AG is seriously underway. Jan Pfeil Doyle and I spend more time together than cellmates in prison.

We do have some AG news. I hope that you have heard it “officially” by the time you read this, but here goes:

When we talked about finding a Gala Banquet speaker, we kicked around several ideas. We wanted someone who was an Indianapolis native, if possible. What about a Purdue or Indiana University grad? Maybe a doctor? An engineer? A researcher? An inventor? An astronaut? A living person with a monument in Indianapolis?

We are proud to announce that our Gala speaker is all of these things. He is astronaut Dr David Wolf. From his bio sheet:

Astronaut, Doctor, Engineer, Inventor & Speaker

- Dr. Wolf has logged 168 days, 12 hours, 56 minutes and 04 seconds in space over four separate missions (including 7 spacewalks)
 - NASA Inventor of the Year (1992), NASA Exceptional Engineering Achievement Medal (1990)
 - 17 patents for 3-dimensional tissue engineering methods (Earth and Space based)
 - Inducted into the Space Technology Hall of Fame (2011)
 - Dynamic speaker, utilizing video and audio, to engage a wide range of audiences addressing topics from innovation, education, leadership, through many aspects of spaceflight
 - Leader of innovative teams/programs including Biotechnology, Medical Care Delivery, Space Station Assembly by Extravehicular Activity (EVA, Spacewalks)
 - 15 years Air National Guard (Lt Col) as Flight Surgeon and mission ready airborne Weapons System Operator
 - Spaceflight experience includes science, medicine, ISS assembly, and long duration missions on multiple spacecraft including the International Space Station, MIR Space Station, Space Shuttle, and SpaceLab
 - President & CEO, [EarthTomorrow, Inc.](http://EarthTomorrow.com)
 - President & Chief Medical Officer, Spektron Systems
 - Professor of Aerospace Engineering, Purdue University (Visiting)
- And the list goes on!

One side note, we do have The David Wolf Bridge on the north side of Indy. It is the only steel truss bridge in Indianapolis. So he DOES have a monument!



LocSection

Jan Pfeil Doyle

Holiday Party – We had a nice turnout for the holiday party in December. Dinner was delicious—thanks to everyone who contributed to the pitch in. Special thanks are due to **Petra Ritchie** and her crew who decorated the chairs with holiday sweaters; **Karen Wilczewski**, who cooked and brought the turkey breast; **Karen Zwick**, who cooked and brought the roast beef; **Teresa Gregory**, who supervised and brought the bread and tableware; and, last but not least, to our Special Elf **Alan Schmidt**, who once again emceed the Gimmee Grabee Gift Exchange.



Annual Gathering 2018 Updates – We are VERY excited to announce that the speaker for the gala banquet at the AG will be Indianapolis' own **Astronaut David Wolf, MD!** Tickets for the banquet and presentation are \$75 and are available through the AG website. Continuing the countdown of "Top Ten Reasons to Come to the AG in Indy" - Reason #4: Speed!

Indianapolis is internationally known for its monument to speed, The Indianapolis Motor Speedway. A visit to the Speedway is a bucket-list event. . . . Registration is open at ag.us.mensa.org or call the national office at 1-800-66-MENSA (\$199 until Feb. 28th). Hotel reservations (\$134 to \$154+tax) are through the AG website link or by calling 866-704-6162; reference American Mensa Annual Gathering. If you're interested in speaking at the AG, click on the "Submit a Proposal" button. If you'd like to volunteer, shoot Teresa Gregory or me an email.

CIM Elections This Year – Central Indiana Mensa will be holding our biannual elections later this year. We'll need people who would like to run for the Executive Committee ("ExCom") and LocSec along with volunteers to serve on the nominating and election committees. If you're interested in serving or would like to find out more about any of these positions, please contact me or any member of the ExCom.

Don't Forget – To give your testing voucher to someone you'd like to have as fellow member. Vouchers expire Mar. 31, 2018. Upcoming test dates are on our website – www.indymensa.org. . . . Mensa scholarship applications are due Jan. 15th - www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/. Contact Scholarship Chair, **Laurel Richardson**, Lhabitat@aol.com, if you'd like to help judge applications.

Mensa Admission Testing for 2018: Jan - May

We currently have six test sessions planned for the following dates in January through May 2018. Please contact Testing Coordinator Karen Zwick at karen.zwick@outlook.com to reserve a space. The exact testing location will be provided when a candidate reserves a space.

Month	Date	Start Time	General Location
January	Saturday, January 13, 2018	12:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side
February	Sunday, February 4, 2018	1:00 P.M.	Carmel, IN
February	Saturday, February 24, 2018	12:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side
March	Sunday, March 18, 2018	1:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side
April	Saturday, April 7, 2018	12:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side
May	Sunday, May 13, 2018	1:00 P.M.	Carmel, IN

The fee of \$60 is payable by cash, check, or any major credit card. You can also purchase a voucher for the fee ahead of time at www.us.mensa.org/join/testing/testingvoucher/. Candidates between 14-17 years old are required to have one of their parents also sign the registration form in my presence at the testing site. We are not permitted to test candidates under 14 years old. Candidates under 14 will need to apply to the American Mensa, Ltd. national office in Arlington, Texas using approved prior testing evidence. A partial list of accepted tests and scores is available at: www.us.mensa.org/join/testscores/qualifyingscores/. Further questions about prior evidence admission to Mensa may be answered by calling Mensa's national office at 817-607-0060.

No smoking, calculators, or scratch paper are allowed. Candidates are permitted to take each of the two tests comprising the Mensa Admissions Test battery only once in their lives. Candidates who qualify on either test will be invited to become a member. Please bring a photo ID and one or two #2 pencils. I also have plenty of extras.

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The information above refers to the regular Mensa Admission Test. Please contact the Testing Coordinator if you are interested in taking the Culture Fair test.

Karen Zwick

Testing Coordinator – Central Indiana Mensa

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Let's Use Those Vouchers

In early October, all active members of American Mensa received an email message containing a discount code they could pass on to a friend or family member for a free testing session or prior evidence submission.

Details of the Mensa Voucher Program (MVP)

For complete details of the program, please visit the Mensa Voucher Program web page:

<https://www.us.mensa.org/featured-content/introducing-the-mensa-voucher-program/>. Here are a few key facts from this web page.

The program runs from Oct. 1, 2017 until March 31, 2018.

Each member will receive, via email, a discount code to be given to a non-member who may, at no cost, either submit prior evidence or sit for a supervised test.

This discount code for free testing/prior evidence will be limited to one-time use and will expire at the end of the fiscal year. To ensure that's the case, we're requiring that each discount code be used during an online transaction, either for prior test submission or pre-purchasing a testing voucher.

The discount code must be entered/provided by the non-member at the time of purchase to receive the discount.

The discount code will not apply to past supervised tests or prior evidence submissions.

How do you pass on your discount code to a friend or family member?

Talk with friends or family members to find someone who is interested in potentially joining Mensa. Forward them your email with the discount code. Tell them to follow the instructions in the email to redeem the discount code.

What do I do if I can't find the email message containing the discount code?

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If you have an issue with your discount code (i.e., you lost it or never received it), call the National Office or email MVP@americanmensa.org, where you will be provided with the code.

What if I don't know someone who wants to use the discount code?

As Central Indiana Mensa's Testing Coordinator, I would be happy to collect discount codes that are not going to be used. Please forward me your email message with the discount code. I will then share those discount codes with candidates who want to take the test or submit prior evidence before March 31, 2018.

What is the incentive to have candidates use Mensa Voucher discount codes?

There is a contest between Local Groups who redeem the most Mensa Vouchers within their Jewel Award classification. Each redeemed discount code gives us an entry for a drawing. The winning Local Group receives an extra \$500 in their local group funding.

How does a candidate use the discount code?

To use the discount code, the candidate MUST follow the directions in the email message. DO NOT just hand a testing proctor a copy of the email message containing the discount code.

In the email message, click the [our website](#) link.

On the left side of the web page, click Redeem your MVP code.

You will be asked to create an account for the American Mensa web site.

Log in to the American Mensa web site.

You will be asked to several questions and then walked through the process of redeeming the MVP discount code.

I'm excited about the Mensa Voucher Program and hope that all members of Central Indiana Mensa will help us grow our chapter membership.

Karen Zwick,
Testing Coordinator – Central Indiana Mensa
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A Message From the Acting Executive Director

Let me begin by expressing my gratitude to the American Mensa Committee for instilling its trust in me to lead the staff and work with the guidance of the AMC during this transition period for the organization.

Transition can be a time of unrest or confusion. But while the AMC is working through its due diligence, it's my focus to keep American Mensa moving forward on the path the AMC has already set. My priorities during this time are:

Gather and share information with the AMC, members, and staff to successfully carry out the AMC strategy.

Maintain staff morale and productivity.

Establish steps to continue forward momentum.

During my time with Mensa, I have observed the passion and ownership members have for the organization. Mensa is not simply something to which you pay dues but rather a larger presence that is comfortably integrated into your lives. In my experience working with nonprofit/not-for-profit organizations, I've never witnessed anything like it. We must focus to ensure that passion and desire is leveraged for the organization's long-term success, as it has been done in the past.

To do so, it's imperative to me that I listen to what you're saying. We need to understand what members ask of their organization, what Local Group officers need to be successful, and how we can provide value to members through programs and services. There will be many ideas out there, requiring prioritization to accomplish them successfully. It will allow us, as an organization, to be transparent in our decisions and actions and to set the right expectations for members.

Of course, there are many other things that the organization can be and are focused on, such as membership growth and experience, effective governance, positive public image, and financial health. With the efforts I've outlined above, we will begin to see positive gains in each of these areas. I fully anticipate that we may make some mistakes and will have some great successes. We plan to learn from each and make American Mensa a stronger organization for the members of Mensa.

I look forward to working with the AMC, membership, and staff to accomplish the strategy that has been set forward. If there is something you want to share directly, please [feel free to contact me](#). Thanks for your vested interest in making this transition and Mensa successful for everyone.

Trevor S Mitchell, MBA, CAE
Acting Executive Director
American Mensa



New Members Move-Ins

William Chambley	Carmel	IN	MoveIn
John Heidingsfelder	Utica	KY	MoveIn



Petra's Funny Page

Guest Punster, Larry Marcus

Get Thee To A Punnery.

Why should the mafia not run houses of ill repute? Because too many crooks spoil the brothel.

If the cats put the bell on the dog instead of the cat, would the resulting sound be rintintinabulation?

If a nerd sends an X-rated picture, would you say "Beware of Geeks bearing GIFs"?

What do you call a Buddhist with a straw hat and a beard? Omish.

If you want to be spared these groaners, email: petraritchie@msn.com

January 2018 Events

Indy Lunch Bunch – 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:00 noon, Double Eagle Café, 650 N. Meridian (at the Scottish Rite Cathedral), Indianapolis. Contact: Karen Steilberger, steilkr@sbcglobal.net.

Ham ‘n’ Eggs (Hamilton County Eggheads) – 1st Saturday from 9:45 a.m. - 12 noon. Atrio, 11700 Illinois St. (Meridian & 116th St., Carmel, IN, located at IU Health North). Located just off the atrium on the first floor on the left as you enter the building from the north entrance. Breakfast served till 10 a.m., then lunch starts at 11 a.m. Drop in any time for casual conversation, lively discussion, and good food and beverages. Contact: Alison Brown, 317-846-6798, SIGHT@indymensa.org.

Monthly Gathering - 2nd Friday, 6:00 p.m. – 12 Midnight. All Souls Unitarian Church, 5805 E. 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46226. See last page of *MIND* for map and directions. Members: \$5.00, Non-Members: \$7.00; Children 6-12: \$3.00, under 6: free.

It's GAMES NIGHT! Bring your favorite game to play.

STEM Time (formerly **10 Minutes of Math and Science**)

January: How to name a scientific discovery (principally Linnaean nomenclature).

Mensa Admissions Test - Saturday, 1/13, 12 noon registration. Testing will be conducted on the Indianapolis south side. Contact: Karen Zwick at: karen.zwick@outlook.com to reserve a space. The exact location will be provided when a candidate reserves a space.

Additional Information: The \$60 testing fee is payable by cash, check, or any major credit card. You can purchase a voucher for the fee ahead of time at www.mensa.org/join/testing/testingvoucher/. Candidates between 14 and 17 years of age are required to have one of their parents also sign the registration form in the presence of the testing coordinator at the testing site. We are not permitted to test candidates under age 14. Candidates under 14 will need to apply to the American Mensa Ltd. national office in Arlington, Texas, using approved prior testing evidence. A partial list of accepted tests and scores is available at: www.u.s.mensa.org/join/testscores/qualifyingscores/. Further questions about prior evidence admission to Mensa may be answered by calling Mensa's national office at 817-607-0060.

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January 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	1 New Year's Day	2	3 Indy Lunch Bunch
7	8	9	10
14 Book Club	15	16 <i>MIND</i> bending/ ExCom; Paducah Area Group Meeting	17 Indy Lunch Bunch
21 Mensans Dining Out	22	23	24
28	29	30	31

January 2018 (cont.)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5	6 Ham 'n' Eggs; Cal. Deadline
11	12 Monthly Gathering	13 Mensa Admission Test
18	19	20
25	26 Cinder	27

If you lose your *MIND* (oh, my!) or want additional information, check www.indymensa.org or join our Meetup group, <http://www.meetup.com/central-indiana-mensa>. Meetup is free to join and you'll get reminders of upcoming events. It's a great way to stay in the loop.

January 2018 Events (cont.)

Book Group – 2 p.m., Sunday, January 14. The group will meet at Rich and Jackie Gibson's house on the NE side of Indianapolis to select the 2018 reading list. Please contact Rich at hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com or 317-735-2895 for more details or to RSVP.

Mensans Dining Out - 3rd Sunday, 6 p.m., January 21, Portillo's Hot Dogs, 8201 East 116th St., Fishers, IN 46037. For more information, contact Bob Zdanky at 317-219-3773.

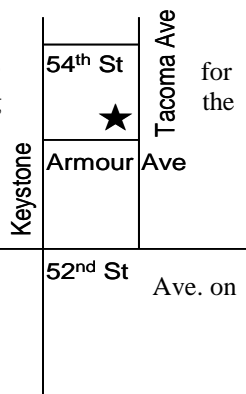
Paducah Area Group Meeting – 3rd Tuesday of every month, 7 p.m. Anyone in the area is welcome to join fellow Mensans for dinner. For location and more information on this group, contact Charles Rawlings, rawlings@siu.edu

MINDBending/ExCom – 3rd Tuesday of the month.

MINDBending is the preparation of next month's *MIND* mailing. Come help with sealing, labeling, and stamping *MINDs*.

12/19, 5:30 p.m. Contact: Jan Pfeil Doyle, 317-431-3500. Pizza and soft drinks provided.

MINDBending is held at the offices of Midwest Internet, 5348 N. Tacoma Ave., which is 1 block east and 1 block north of 52nd St. and Keystone the northeast side of Indianapolis.



A Big Thank You to all the December *MINDbenders* and Midwest Internet for hosting the event.

Cinder– 4th Friday, 7 p.m., 721 East 55th Street, Indianapolis. A SIG for the Gen X and Gen Y crowd. Contact Ethan Blocker-Smith at MensaCinder@gmail.com.

For last minute changes to events check the Central Indiana Mensa group on Meetup.com. <http://www.meetup.com/central-indiana-mensa>

February 2018 *MIND* calendar items due 1/6/18 to: biltmore@topdogcom.com.

Goodbye – To the Bridge SIG. One of Central Indiana Mensa's longest running Special Interest Groups is disbanding. The group met monthly for over 40 years. That's a good run at it, don't you think? Thanks to **Bob Van Buskirk**, the most recent coordinator, and to all the others who kept it going all those years.

Jon's Journal – News for Region 4

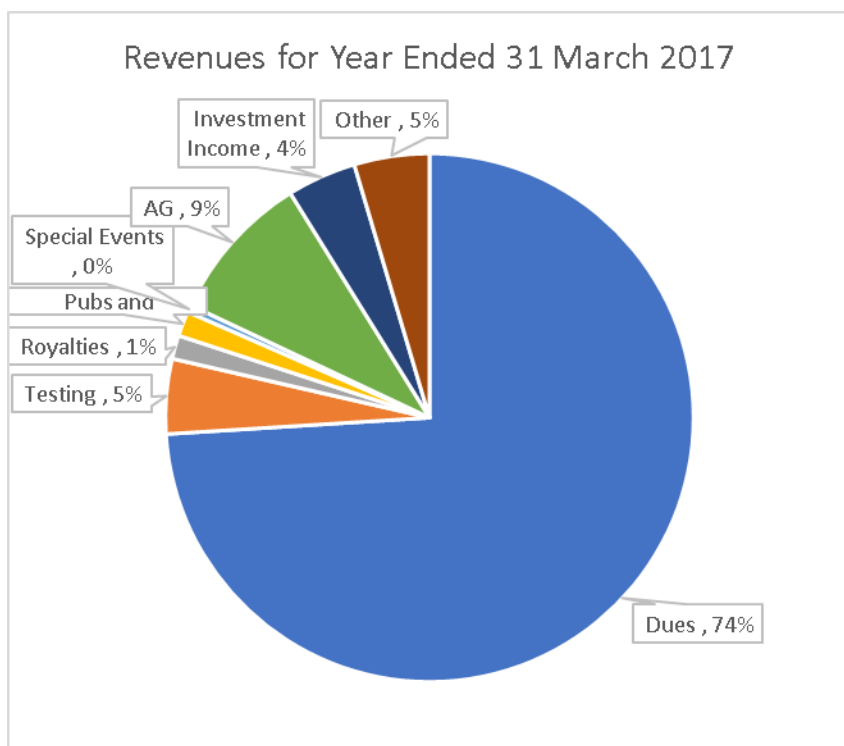
By Jon Gruebele, RVC4

I often get questions about the transparency of American Mensa's finances. The short answer is that we are very open about our budgets, revenues, expenses, assets, and liabilities. These are all posted on the American Mensa website, mostly under Lead -> Financials.



While budgeting is an annual process, the other items are updated quarterly. Every year we also post audited financial statements to our website and submit publicly available forms 990 to the IRS (see <http://foundationcenter.org/find-funding/990-finder>). Among a ton of other detail, the latter provides information about the salaries for RVCs and all other Board of Director (AMC) members (hint: they're \$0.00) and our former Executive Director (not zero).

For those who don't like memorizing financial statements, I compiled a snapshot of our revenues. For the most recently completed fiscal year (April 2016 through March 2017), we have:



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Total revenues were \$4,379,696, and obviously most of that was from dues. While we try to find non-dues revenues from advertising and partners such as Geico, that's still a small part of our financial picture. If you're wondering about the Annual Gathering (AG) amount, please keep in mind this is only the revenue side. There were also AG expenses that offset the income. I'll dissect our expenditures in next month's article.

On another topic, I'd like to personally thank the organizers and volunteers who gave us Mensa of Wisconsin's RG-Lite and Chicago Area Mensa's HalloweeM RG. They were both terrific events and I really enjoyed them both. Don't forget we have Mensa's biggest party, our Annual Gathering, coming to Region 4 July 4-8 in Indianapolis. Registration is open now.

Finally, have you used your Mensa Voucher to invite a friend or relative to join Mensa? These vouchers were distributed via e-mail in October and are good for free testing or prior evidence submission. If you didn't get a voucher or can't find yours, simply call the National Office at +1 817 607 0060 and ask.

Thoughts? Please e-mail me at rvc4@us.mensa.org, call/text me at +1 309 693 1359, or join us on our Region 4 Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/695847670490858>.



Books On the Runway

Guest Reviewer, Ethan C. Blocher-Smith

Book: The Maze of Games

By Mike Selinke

Illustrated by Pete Venters

Link: <http://www.lonesharkgames.com/maze/>



I had the great luck to come across this book at GenCon two years ago. If you enjoy puzzles, brainteasers, and interlocking challenges, this book is for you. Coupled with a storyline about a pair of children seeking to cheat the Gatekeeper at his game, this book follows the many twists and turns of their adventure, filled with themed puzzles that are not for the faint of heart. To be frank, I started to find them truly becoming challenging about halfway through the book. The puzzles draw on every part of your thinking process, leveraging foreign language, acrostics, crosswords, mathematics, and many, many more as the fulcrum of their mysteries. As an example, the opening (and easiest) puzzle consists of a 13 x 13 tumbler puzzle that provides the instructions for how to start the adventure. My favorite puzzle was the 10 of Clubs, which truly puzzled me for about 15 minutes before I had that "Aha!" moment.

Future Change Coming

Beginning on March 9, 2018, we will experience an increase in the fee collected at the door for Monthly Gatherings, which are held the second Friday of each month. The current door fees have not changed for over 12 years while our expenses have greatly increased. We sincerely hope that this increase will be received as reasonable.

New fees to attend Monthly Gatherings (effective March 9, 2018):

Admission Options	Amount
Mensa Member	\$7
Non-Member	\$10
Child under 6	Free
Child 6 to under 18	\$5
Bring food to share at Monthly Gathering	Free

Benefits of Central Indiana Monthly Programs

Our Monthly Programs offer great benefits to those who participate including: Interesting presentations on a great variety of topics including Tai Chi, 3D printing, Kurt Vonnegut, Solar Eclipses, Exotic Feline Rescue Center, and so much more.

A wide variety of yummy snacks and beverages (beer & wine included).

Opportunities before/after presentations to visit and talk with fellow Mensans.

Opportunities to make new friends and strengthen existing friendships.

Further Details Behind Increases

The primary expense that has increased for the Monthly Gatherings is the cost of the meeting facility. In past years, we were able to rent the use of less expensive facilities for \$25 - \$35 per month. Those facilities are no longer available and/or cannot accommodate the average number of attendees.

Our current facility at All Souls Unitarian church provides adequate space and kitchen facilities and costs \$137.75 per month. When the current rental agreement expires in April 2018, we hope to further reduce that amount by limiting the time rented from six to four hours (7 – 11 pm).

Further Questions?

If you have further questions, feel free to contact me or any member of the Ex Com.

Karen Zwick

Treasurer – Central Indiana Mensa

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Theatrical Event: *Steel Magnolias*

Margy Lancet Fletcher

Tipton Community Theatre, Tipton, Indiana, is celebrating its twenty-fifth season as an organization by reprising some of its more memorable past productions. One of these classic plays, which I am co-directing, is the popular and endearing Southern ensemble comedy, *Steel Magnolias*. Set in 1980's Louisiana, in the convivial atmosphere of the local beauty shop, it features six unique women who experience personal highs and lows, and exchange witty repartee and occasional hilarious barbs: Truvy, the wise-cracking, gossipy salon owner; Annelle, Truvy's shy, insecure assistant; Clairee, the wealthy, eccentric widow of the town's former mayor; Shelby, a pretty bride-to-be with serious health issues; M'Lynn, Shelby's overprotective, socially prominent mother; and Ouiser, an irreverent, acerbic curmudgeon. *Steel Magnolias* is an exhilarating emotional roller-coaster ride guaranteed to provide audience members with warm Southern hospitality during its mid-winter run.

INFORMATION ON THE SHOW

Production Dates: Friday through Sunday, January 26-28, 2018

Curtain Times: 7:30 PM Friday and Saturday, 2:00 PM Sunday

Ticket Prices: Adults \$10, Seniors (Age 62+) and Students (Age 13-College) \$8, Children (Ages 2-12) \$5.

Venue Location: The show will be performed at the Tipton High School auditorium, which is located at 619 South Main Street (Highway 19) in Tipton. If you are traveling north on Highway 31, turn right onto Highway 28, go about 5 miles into the town of Tipton, follow the sign to Highway 19 South, and turn right onto Highway 19. Go about a half mile over the bridge. The high school is on the left side of the road across from the park. You can also take Highway 19 north from Noblesville.

Additional Notes: The house opens 30 minutes prior to the show. Payment for tickets takes place at the door via cash or personal check (no credit or debit cards can be accepted). The auditorium provides ample seating for a large audience (800+); however, as there is no reserved seating and parking options are limited, you will want to arrive as soon as possible after the house opens. If you have any additional questions, please contact the theater at 765-675-1682, or me (Margy Lancet Fletcher) at 317-385-0681.

I thank you in advance for your support, and hope to see you there!



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Central Indiana Mensa ExCom 10/17/17

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Indiana Mensa ExCom was held at Midwest Internet on Tuesday, October 17, 2017.

LocSec Jan Pfeil Doyle called the meeting to order at 6:56 pm. Members present were Jon Applegate, Jan Pfeil Doyle, Ann Hake, Ethan Blocher-Smith, Diane O'Brien, Karen Wilczewski, Kurt Williams, Bob Zdanky, and Karen Zwick. Guests: Teresa Gregory and Petra Ritchie.

The committee reviewed the minutes of the September ExCom meeting. Kurt Williams moved that the minutes be accepted. Ethan Blocher-Smith seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

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The committee reviewed the Treasurer's report. The gradual trend of greater expenses vs. income for the past several months was noted; the ensuing discussion brought up several possible factors. Karen Zwick, the Treasurer, will present more details for analysis and discussion next month. Jon Applegate moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Ann Hake seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

A membership report was compiled by Jan Pfeil Doyle based upon the information available as of 9/30/2017 from American Mensa: 510 members, 1 new, 1 move-in, 2 rejoins, and 41 prospects. The number of prospects includes numbers from the continued importation of the backlog from the conversion to the new system last year.

Old Business

2018 Annual Gathering: Planning continues steadily. Meeting and hotel registration will open on line on Nov. 1.

New Business

It has been announced that the Executive Director of American Mensa will be stepping down. It is the strong opinion of the ExCom of CIM that not only in the upcoming replacement of the Executive Director, but in all business and financial transactions, there should be complete transparency and accountability to its members. As a local group, Central Indiana Mensa makes all of its financial statements visible to the national board and its members; AML should be subject to the same requirements. A letter stating this was drafted and emailed to our RVC, Jon Gruebele.

CIM will receive \$3000 as the host local group of the AG. It has been proposed that we use part of this to sponsor a pizza and beer get-together for the comedians and bag ladies.

The 2018 Mensa testing schedule will include tests in January, February, and March, and then every other month. Additional tests will be added *ad hoc* if needed.

There being no other business, Diane O'Brien made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Karen Wilczewski seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Hake, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Karen Zwick, Treasurer

Balance Sheet (as of 11/20/2017)

Bank Accounts	10/16/2017	11/20/2017
Checking – Regular	\$4,411.43	\$5,119.12
Checking – Scholarship	386.50	386.50
Checking – Youth Membership	69.34	69.34
Checking – RG/OG Fund	9,575.23	9,575.23
Checking – Youth Activity Fund	489.40	464.40
Total Assets	\$14,906.90	\$15,614.59

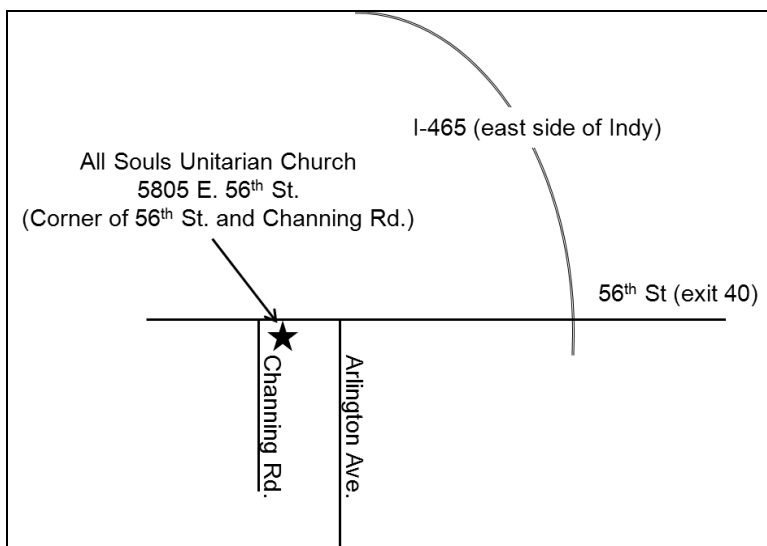
Profit & Loss Statement (10/17/2017 – 11/20/2017)

Income		
	401.1 – Monthly Gathering Inc.	107.00
	402 – National Mensa (Oct & Nov income)	1000.85
	Total Income	\$1,107.85
Expense		
	501.1– MG Hospitality	32.79
	505 – Food for ExCom/MINDBending	65.72
	505.1 – MIND Printing	301.65
	Total Expenses	\$400.16

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