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NEW NIGHT FOR MINDbending!
NOW Always Third Tuesday!

Old Dog/New Tricks

Teresa Gregory, Editor

As you may have noticed, my picture this month is a “selfie.” I watch almost no television, but I had sat down to watch a true crime show when I was joined by a couple of the girls. (That’s me trying to see around Fuego and Whisper.)



Yes, I still have all five kittens. They are seven months old now, not tiny little fur balls anymore.

This was driven home a few weeks ago when I came home from work to find the freezer door standing wide open and a bag of cook chicken missing. I later found the Ziploc bag under the couch. I can only think one of them was walking around on top of the refrigerator and somehow stepped on the gasket and popped the door open. Of course, when I confronted them and asked in a stern voice, “Who did this?” they all looked around as if I was talking to someone else.



Laundry day is always fun. I think I’m alone in the basement, and then I look at the steps. (It’s hard to see, but in the dryer picture, there is one cat inside the dryer on the right.) They love the basement. It’s open joist, so they jump up on the windows then climb around on the pipes. It’s always a joy to be upstairs when they start bouncing around on the aluminum furnace ductwork.



People ask me when I’m going to try to find them homes, and I used to say, “Soon.” Now I say, “They already have a home.”

It’s almost that time of year again...time to think about New Year’s Resolutions. I’d love to hear what some of yours are.

Register for the CIM RG in January. It’s going to be loads of fun. We have one of the most affordable RGs in the Midwest, and one of the most affordable hotels. We also have a lot of food, friendship, and fun.

Save the date for the CIM 50th Anniversary Party March 7.

Join us for the regular Monthly Gathering which is our holiday party. Lots of laughs and loads of wonderful food. Hve a safe and enjoyable December no matter what you celebrate or who you celebrate with. We’ll see you next year!

LocSection

Jan Pfeil Doyle

Holiday Party – I hope many of you can join us for our annual holiday pitch-in dinner and gift exchange on December 12th in Indianapolis. Meat, bread, beverages and tableware will be provided; please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. The gift exchange after dinner is always fun. We call it “Gimmee Grabbee” – when it’s your turn to select a gift, you may choose one that hasn’t been selected yet or take one that someone else has already chosen. The twist is that the presents remain wrapped until everyone has chosen – people choose based on how the package looks or what they think might be inside. Every year, there are two or three imaginatively-wrapped presents that are the hit of the party! Participation in the gift exchange isn’t required, but you’ll be missing out on some of the fun if you don’t.



CIM RG – Mark your calendars for the weekend of January 23-25, 2015! That’s the weekend of the Central Indiana Mensa Regional Gathering (CIM RG for short). If you haven’t been to an RG, you’re missing out on one of the best activities Mensa has to offer. There’s something for everyone: special events, speakers, games and tournaments, around-the-clock hospitality suite with plenty of food and drink, and best of all, plenty of your fellow Mensans to hang out with. If you can’t make it for the whole weekend, join us for Friday night or Saturday. If you’re a little shy (or even if you aren’t!), get involved by volunteering to help, either during the RG or beforehand; there are plenty of tasks large and small to be done. Contact RG Chair Teresa Gregory to volunteer.

Prior Evidence Is Free (Limited Time) – Do you know someone you think might enjoy Mensa? There are two ways to join: (1) take the test the Mensa offers, or (2) submit the results of a test you’ve already taken, ie, “prior evidence.” Normally, the cost to have prior evidence evaluated by the national office is \$40. It’s free until Dec. 31, 2014. See the details at www.us.mensa.org/join/testscores/.

Congratulations – To the new officers of Central Indiana Mensa. Check out who’s doing what on the list inside the back cover.

WeeM – Leo and I had a nice time as always at the Chicago RG, HalloweeM. The theme was Winter WeeMterland. My favorite costume was Charlie Steinhice’s: he wore an afro wig and a maroon-colored, one-shouldered toga/robe, similar to what Buddhist monks wear. He was “Fro Zen” (in keeping with the winter theme!). Very clever! We also went to the American Science & Surplus Store—it’s amazing—where I bought my gift for the Gimme Grabbee gift exchange.

I wish all of you a wonderful holiday season!

**Central Indiana Mensa Presents
A Regional Gathering**



W.T.F.



(Winter Time Fun)

**Bring a Buddy!
Free Mensa Test for non-members
included with a full paid
weekend admission.**

January 23-25, 2015

What to Pay

\$55 until Nov 30, 2014
\$65 until Dec 31, 2014
\$75 from January 1, 2015

Kids:

\$25 – under 6 years old
\$40 – 6 – 12 years old

Day Rates:

\$20 Friday or Sunday Only
\$40 Saturday Only

Whom to Contact

rg.registrar@yahoo.com

**Please let us know if you
have a guest who will be
taking the test.**

*Our hotel is fully
handicapped accessible.*

All activities on one floor

Where to Stay

Clarion at the Waterfront
2930 Waterfront Parkway West
Indianapolis, IN 46214
(317) 299-8400
www.ClarionWaterfront.com

\$69 Mensa Rate

Central Hospitality Area

Free Parking

Game Room

More Information on Next Page

W.T.F. (Winter Time Fun)

Yes, it's almost time for the CIM Regional Gathering. It will be held at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center. This is our second century at that hotel. We are fortunate to have a wonderful working relationship with the management and staff. They bend over backwards for us and allow us to do things that a lot of other places would not. We have some of the best room rates of any local RG.

Testing

This year, we are excited to offer something special for our members who know someone who should be a member. Non-member weekend registration will include a ticket to take the Mensa test at no additional charge on Saturday morning. So grab all your friends who would love to have a fun get-away weekend, and bring them with you. (Paid full weekend registration of the guest is required.) If you have some friends who don't want to come for the weekend, they can still come take the test at the usual rate of \$40.

Raffle

Our scholarship coffers are getting pretty low, so we are going to give it boost with a couple of fund-raising activities. We will be selling chances at the door for a free registration to our RG or Outdoor gathering, winner's choice.

Reverse Auction

We will also have a charity auction on Saturday night, but it's a reverse auction. Instead of bidding on something for yourself, you will bid on something for someone else. For instance, we have a lovely new mullet-style wig. If you are the winning bidder, you will decide who has to wear it for the rest of the evening. There will be some "interesting" items to choose from, and some interesting tasks. Who will be the lucky person who has to read a Shakespeare Sonnet with a French accent? We will be using play money that can be purchased at the door for this event.

Hospitality

We will have plenty of food including the Friday night pizza party, the Saturday night ice cream social, and the hotel-catered brunch on Sunday. Beverages both soft and adult.

Programs

We are still working on our program line up, but there will be something for everyone, a veritable potpourri of possibilities.

So grab your friends and come to a place where it might be cold outside, but it's warm inside, and the indoor pool and hot tub await.

In Case You Missed Him

Our visitor from Florida, Cletus, is back in town and stopped by to see a few folks.



← It looks like he made a stop at the Carmel Ham 'n' Eggs meeting. Larry Marcus has some fun with him when Alison Brown and Joanna Krause aren't looking.

Later in the month, Cletus → joined Alison and Dave Culp for the Lunch Bunch meeting. Cletus felt a little under-dressed when he realized that no one told him it was "Mad for Plaid Day."



←For our Monthly Gathering, our own Dr. Ann Hake gave us the straight facts about Ebola. Alan Schmidt, PhD in Chemical Engineering, wore his personal hazmat gear complete with boots and gloves while checking people in. He made sure that Cletus was safe from any exposure by safely sealing him in a ZipLoc bag.

Mensa Scholarships Information

MERF

There are two requirements for applicants:

- The applicant must be enrolled in a degree program in an accredited U.S. institution of higher learning during the academic year following the application date.
- The applicant must submit an application and essay explaining his or her career, academic and/or vocational goals.

The scholarship application process opens Sept. 15 and closes Jan. 15. No application forms are available at any other time. Between September and January, interested individuals can visit the [scholarship application](#) area of this site to determine eligibility and, if eligible, [enter the program](#).

Applicants have until Jan. 15 to write an essay of not more than 550 words explaining their career, academic and/or vocational goals and how they plan to achieve those goals. For more information, read the scholarship [FAQ](#).

Local judging

American Mensa's local chapters assemble judging teams of at least three members to review the applications. The essays are judged on content and also grammar, organization and craftsmanship. The Local Scholarship Chair refers the best local essays to the Regional Scholarship Chair for review.

Regional judging

At the regional level, the process is repeated. The regional chair arranges for all of the essays referred from local chapters to be judged a second time. Regional judges rank the local winners and nominate the best essays for regional and national awards. These essays are then forwarded to the National Scholarship Chairs.

National judging

Finally, the National Scholarship Chairs conduct additional rounds of judging to select the regional and national winners. Each applicant can receive only one Mensa Foundation scholarship per year; therefore, the winners are chosen beginning at the highest dollar amounts. The next highest scores receive awards of the next lower amounts, and so on until all the winners are chosen based on the judges' scores.

The final list of scholarship winners is presented to the Mensa Foundation Board of Trustees, who certify the winners. **Winners are notified by mail and given instructions for claiming their award.** They are required to submit proof of registration in a degree program during the following academic year as well as proof of U.S. citizenship. After the verification is received, the checks are written and students receive the funds to help them pursue their education.

Welcome New and Returning Members!

New	Terri Dunn	New Palestine	IN
New	Kurt Williams	Indianapolis	IN
New	Darcy E Marlett	Indianapolis	IN
New	Christopher T Knoll	Indianapolis	IN
New	Marcus Allen Joseph	Bloomington	IN
Reinstating	Jan Gordon Cornell	Richmond	IN
Reinstating	Jerry J Irish	Spencer	IN
Reinstating	Shaun E Twomey	West Lafayette	IN
Reinstating	Yang Luo	Bloomington	IN
Reinstating	Keyan Zhang	Bloomington	IN
Reinstating	Jeffrey Bradley	Indianapolis	IN
Renewing	Christopher Rall	Bloomington	IN
Renewing	Dr Duane Starrett Nickell	Indianapolis	IN
Renewing	William I Tandy Jr	Kokomo	IN
Renewing	Steven P Spiech	Indianapolis	IN
Renewing	Matthew David Zuercher	Westfield	IN

Cinder

Ethan Blocher-Smith

Due to the proximity of the fourth Friday to Christmas this year, Cinder will be taking a holiday break this month. However, we at Cinder encourage you to explore the many opportunities for learning and enjoyment across this holiday season. For those of you who still need a learning 'fix' of sorts, I have included the following options:

Last Week Tonight with John Oliver - Airs on HBO, Sections available on official Youtube Channel. John Oliver does a weekly well-researched monologue (~15-18 min) on an assortment of topics. All of these long monologues, and selected other sections appear on their Youtube channel.

PBS Idea Channel - Youtube Channel. Sponsored by PBS, this channel frequently posits an idea as a hypothesis, then explores the evidence, surrounding concepts, and conclusions about that idea. E.g. - The Olympics are a model for fostering genius.



December 2014 Events - Central Indiana Mensa

Indy Lunch Bunch - 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 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 10:00 am-12:00 noon. Soho Café & Gallery, 620 South Range Line Road, Carmel, IN Drop in any time for casual conversation, lively discussion, and good food and beverages. Contact: Alison Brown, 317-846-6798, SIGHT@indymensa.org.

Muncie Area Group Meeting – 1st Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

The MTCup, 1610 W. University Ave in Muncie. For those familiar with the Ball State area, it's in the Village.

Contact: Jason Smith, munciemensa@gmail.com

Bridge Club – 1st Sunday of every month, 2 pm, Contact:

Bob Van Buskirk, 317-359-6907 or ryanbuskirk@netdirect.net. Location will change each month.

Monthly Gathering – 2nd Friday at 7:00 p.m., All Souls Unitarian Church, 5805 E. 56th St. See last page of MIND for map and directions. Members: \$5.00, Non-Members: \$7.00; Children 6-12: \$3.00, under 6: free

12/12: Annual Holiday Party. Come join us for the annual Holiday Party. Meat, bread and beverages are provided, and you bring a vegetable, salad or dessert to share. If you choose to participate in the gimmee-grabbee gift exchange, bring a \$5-10 wrapped gift (creative wrapping is encouraged). If the gift is more appropriate for a certain age or gender, please mark it; i.e., Man, Woman, Child, etc.

10 Minutes of Math and Science (Every month immediately following the program) This month, George Dunn will unlock the mysteries of Benford's Law.

Paducah Area Group Meeting – 3rd Tuesday of every month, 7:00 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

(Events are continued on the other side of the calendar.)

December 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	1	2	3 Indy Lunch Bunch
7 Bridge Club	8	9	10
14 Book Discussion	15	16 Paducah Area Group Meeting: MINDbending/ ExCom	17 Indy Lunch Bunch
21 Mensans Dining Out	22	23	24
28	29	30	31
4	5	6	7 Indy Lunch Bunch

**Social Media – Remember to sign up for Central Indiana
Mensa’s Facebook and Meet Up groups:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/67015884487/>

<http://www.meetup.com/Central-Indiana-Mensa/>

December 2014 (Continued)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 MIND deadline	6 Ham 'n' Eggs; Muncie Meeting; Calendar Deadline
11	12 Monthly Gathering	13
18	19	20
25 Merry Christmas	26 Cinder (see page 10)	27
1 January Happy New Year	2 MIND deadline	3 Ham 'n' Eggs; Muncie Meeting; Calendar Deadline
8	9 Monthly Gathering	10

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 will get reminders of upcoming events. It's a great way to stay in the loop.

December 2014 Events (cont.)

Mensans Dining Out – Third Sunday at 6 pm.

12/21 – GT South’s Rib House, 5711 E. 71st St. Indianapolis
 Contact: Bob Zdanky, 317-503-0091 or Zdanky@gmail.com
 Please let Bob know if you are coming so he can reserve enough space.

Book Discussion - Sunday, 12/14, 2 pm.

Book Reports. We will each discuss a book we have read. We will be meeting at Rich and Jackie Gibson’s house on the NE side of Indianapolis. Please contact Rich at 317-735-2895 or hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com for more details or to RSVP.

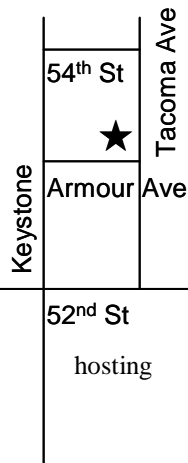
Cinder – NO MEETING THIS MONTH. SEE COLUMN ON PAGE 10.

MINDBending/ExCom – Third Tuesday of the month.

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

12/16, 5:30 p.m. Contact: Jan Pfeil Doyle, 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 Ave. on the northeast side of Indianapolis. A **Big Thank You** to all the November MINDbenders and thanks to Midwest Internet for the event.



Coming in January: Central Indiana Mensa Regional Gathering: January 23-25...see pages 6-7 for information.

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

NEW MIND Deadline is the first Friday of the month. Please send your information to Karen Wilczewski, biltmore@topdogcom.com .

Thanks to David Culp for the past two years as MIND Calendar Editor.

Have You Ever Thought of Being a Proctor?

Ellen Voie, RVC 4

October is Mensa National Testing Month. I had the opportunity to proctor four tests in the last few weeks and it gave me the motivation to dedicate this column to show how you may also become a proctor.



It is a very rewarding experience. You get to meet potential members who are intrigued by the idea of a “high IQ society.” Most arrive with a sense of curiosity about who will greet them for the testing session.

As a proctor, you are the representative of American Mensa for these candidates.

What does it take for you to become a proctor? The process is relatively simple, but there are certain requirements for authorization. First, you must have a four year bachelor’s degree from a college or university. This is a state requirement regarding the practice of psychology.

If you decide to become a proctor, you will need an endorsement from your group’s Local Secretary (President) or Testing Coordinator. You will then need to provide evidence you have administered standardized tests or complete the training process through American Mensa.

If you have experience giving standardized tests you may submit a proctor application for approval to the national office. You will need to read the testing program handbook and test procedure manual. Next, you will complete the test for recertification of Mensa Proctors and return it to the national office for scoring. A current certified Mensa Proctor will then observe you giving a full Mensa supervised test.

If you haven’t qualified as an experienced test provider, you will need to submit the proctor application and complete the test for recertification. Your next activity will be to observe two full testing sessions conducted by currently certified Mensa Proctors. The final step is to have a proctor observe *you* giving two Mensa supervised testing sessions. You will be notified of your results after you have met all the requirements and sent the documentation to American Mensa for review.

American Mensa needs more volunteers and this is a great way for you to be a very important part of the process.

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I truly enjoy meeting potential candidates and giving them a positive Mensa experience.

Consider this a way to give back to the Mensa community. We need you and we want you to be a part of this recruitment effort.



White Christmas

Robert Adair,

It's November in the middle of World War II,
John Jones and Mary are sitting on
the couch in their living room,
their younger daughter and younger son are there too.
A song comes over the big console radio:
"I'm dreaming of a white Christmas
just like the ones we used to know..."
Their older daughter is a nurse with the Pacific fleet,
They haven't heard from her in a year.
Their older son is Missing in Action somewhere in Europe.
"just like the ones we used to know"
is like a knife twisted in Mary's heart.
She breaks down crying, John tries to comfort her
"There, there, don't cry, Honey!"
"It hurts! It hurts! I know our son will go to Heaven
but it will be so long till we can see him again!"
John really doesn't know what to say.
When this song appeared in Holiday Inn, sung by Bing Crosby,
there wasn't a dry eye in the theater.
Six months later they heard from their daughter,
seven months later, their son came home.
When his plane was shot down over France
the French underground led him to safety.
John's family was among the lucky ones.
And today we should remember we have many
families dreaming of a white Christmas.

THE WORST GIFT I EVER GOT

Teresa Fisher

One day, back in the early 1990s, I made the mistake of telling my husband Bill that it would be nice to have one of those clocks that projects the time onto the ceiling. (Isn't that the height of indolence? I'm so lazy I don't want to turn my head to look at the clock when I'm in bed.) I didn't think any more about it until Christmas, when he presented me with just such a clock.

There were problems from the beginning. The clock was a mini-projector, requiring an expensive bulb with a short life. The instructions advised that it would be best to turn the clock light off each morning and on again before bed. I knew that would never happen.

The projector needed to be an exact distance from the "screen," but my bedroom had a high ceiling that caused the numbers to be out of focus and indistinct. I had to stack books on the dresser to raise the clock to the right height.

Before long the bulb went out, and Bill went back to the store to get another one. The owner only sold the clock and had no idea where he could get another bulb. I might have continued to use the clock as an ordinary timepiece, but the digital numbers were dark gray on a black background. If you held the clock next to a lamp and turned it just right, you could barely make out the time. That was more effort than I was willing to expend. (Remember, I'm the person too lazy to turn my head.) It was as though the manufacturer really didn't want me to know what time it was. The clock was absolutely worthless, and I unplugged it.

Around that time I began to notice a faint sound when I was in bed. It was a barely audible squeak, and it seemed to happen at regular intervals. I searched the closet and around the bed, but couldn't find anything that could be making the noise. It went on for weeks and was an annoyance as I tried to fall asleep. I'm sure you've guessed the culprit. Eventually I happened to be standing right next to the dresser when the clock made its squeak. I hadn't suspected the unplugged clock, but there must have been a battery backup. The clock went into the trash.

Right about then I proposed to Bill that we stop getting gifts for each other. We no longer exchange gifts at Christmas, anniversaries, or birthdays, and we both like it this way. I didn't want to take a chance on getting another clock.

[Ed Note: This was originally published in the December, 2008 MIND.]



SAVE THE DATE
MARCH 7, 2015
CENTRAL INDIANA MENSA
50TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY

More information coming soon!
Look for a postcard reminder in your mailbox.



Books On the Runway

Margy Lancet Fletcher

Title: *Music – A Crash Course*

Author: Marcus Weeks

Year: 1999



Book Description: This diminutive handbook contains an overview of the evolution of “serious,” or classical, music in regard to style, notation, and instrumentation. Each two-page section describes a particular historical period or genre, and includes boxes that contain additional information such as “Works to Watch” (recommended listening from that era), “Names to Note” (other noteworthy composers not detailed due to lack of space), “Helpful Hints” (suggestions to help the reader understand and appreciate a particular style of music), and other related facts and anecdotes. The tone of the narrative is both lighthearted and earnest – Music 101, but a lot less pedantic and a lot more fun.

Has this book changed the way you think, your attitude toward life, or even your life itself? If so, how? Longer ago than I care to admit, I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in music education, but, aside from participation in church choir and the occasional chorus role in musical theater, that segment of my brain has all but lain fallow for many years in favor of other pursuits. This book was a welcomed refresher course for me, through which I gained a deeper appreciation of the thought processes involved in composing and performing classical music.

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Who should definitely read this book? Why? I encourage anyone who has at least a cursory interest in music history to check out this dandy little volume, which is embellished with delightful illustrations, and also includes a timeline of significant cultural events coinciding with each musical era. Please be warned, however, that this book is not for the faint-sighted; the print in the various “sidebars” is practically microscopic, and my over-sixty vision often had to be aided by a magnifying glass. But I considered it totally worth the extra effort.

How long might it take to read this book? No longer than a day or two, I would surmise. In fact, I chose this book to review due to the rather sudden change of MIND submission deadline, which necessitated substituting the lengthy novel I had originally planned to critique for a more abbreviated, but equally worthy, publication. This book fit the bill nicely.

Provide a short characteristic section, an awesome sentence, or an inspiring quote: “Heroic Beethoven – the Late Ludwig Van. As deafness set in, Beethoven became more irritable and unkempt in his everyday life, changing from angry young man to miserable old grump. His music, too, underwent a profound change: not only did he reject the respectability of classicism, developing his own deeply expressive and turbulent style, but also adopted a heroic tone, with an emphasis on triumph over adversity and the indomitability of the human spirit. This of course mirrored his own experience, but also summed up the atmosphere of the new century – revolutions were throwing out the old order, and ordinary citizens taking charge of their own destiny.”

Additional Remarks: I wish all of you a melodic Christmas and a harmonic New Year.



Central Indiana Mensa ExCom Minutes 9/23/14

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Indiana Mensa ExCom was held at Midwest Internet on Tuesday, September 23, 2014.

LocSec Jan Pfeil Doyle called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. Members present were: Jan Pfeil Doyle, David Culp, Teresa Gregory, Karen Steilberger, Karen Wilczewski, Bob Zdanky, and Karen Zwick. Absent: Ann Hake. Guests: Jon Applegate, Jud Horning, Petra Ritchie.

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The committee reviewed the minutes of the August ExCom meeting and made some corrections. Karen Zwick moved that the minutes be accepted as presented, David Culp seconded the motion, and the motion was carried. Karen Zwick presented the Treasurer's report. David Culp made a motion to accept the report as presented, Karen Wilczewski seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

The membership report shows 3 new, 1 reinstating and 3 renewing members; 1 offer of membership; and 23 prospects.

Old Business

Buzz Fund event: The subcommittee has set March 7 as the date for the 50th anniversary celebration dinner. The location is not definite yet, but Teresa Gregory has checked with the Clarion Waterfront hotel and that date is open for them.

Brick donation in memory of Jean Rodgers: Karen Zwick reported that there is now more than enough in donated funds for a memorial brick for Jean Rodgers in the Walk of Minds in front of the Mensa Education and Research Foundation building in Texas. The extra money will be donated to MERF in Jean's memory.

Web site: Jan Pfeil Doyle has sent changes for the Web Site to David Bonner. The changes are not in place yet, so possibly the site has not been rebuilt yet.

Mensa testing: Jan Pfeil Doyle said that Teresa Gregory has organized a test in Evansville for national testing day, Oct. 18, at 1 p.m., with registration starting at noon. Daniel Nance will conduct the test. Jan and Teresa will cull the national database for prospects in our area to whom we can send post cards and e-mails in advance of the testing day.

2015 Regional Gathering: No updates to report.

New Business

ExCom changes: Karen Zwick and the rest of the ExCom offered thanks to outgoing members David Culp and Teresa Gregory for their service.

There being no other business, David Culp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Teresa Gregory seconded the motion. The motion was carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Steilberger

Treasurer's Report

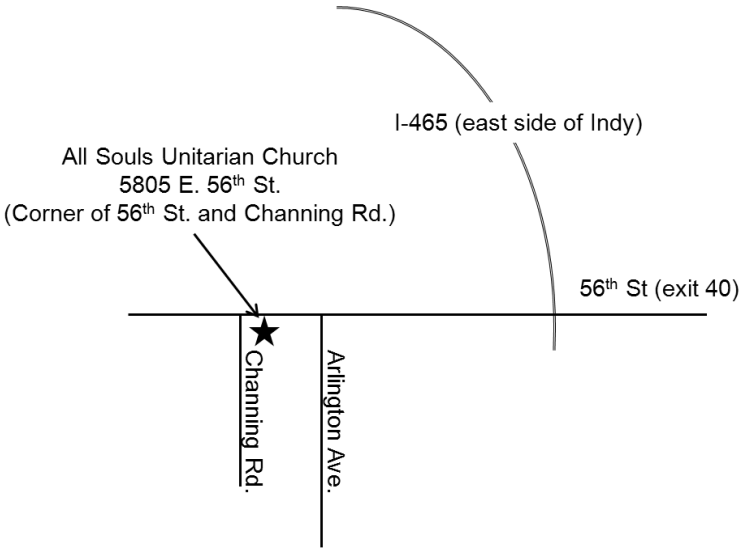
Karen Zwick, Treasurer

Balance Sheet (as of 10/27/2014)

Bank Accounts	10/27/2014	09/22/2014
Checking – Regular	\$15,050.97	\$15,003.80
Checking – Scholarship	297.53	295.53
Checking – Youth Mbrship	849.00	849.00
Checking – Buzz Fund	540.00	540.00
Vanguard Account	\$3,740.09	3,740.00
Total Assets	\$20,477.59	\$20,428.33

Profit & Loss Statement (09/23/2014– 10/27/2014)

Income		
	401.1 – Monthly Gathering Income (October)	92.00
	402 – National Mensa Inc.	459.74
	403 – Donations (book sales for scholarship)	2.00
	404 – Interest Income (Vanguard account)	0.09
Total Income		553.83
Expense		
	501.1 – Monthly Gathering Hospitality	23.10
	501.3 – Monthly Gathering Presenter	35.00
	505 – Food for ExCom/MIND	87.91
	505.1 – MIND Printing	309.74
	510.1 – New Member Dinners	40.00
	510.2 – New Member Mailings (supplies)	8.82
Total Expenses		\$504.57



Mensa Monthly Gathering Location All Souls Unitarian Church, The Beattie Room, 5805 E. 56th St., Indianapolis

- From I-465 on the east side of Indianapolis, take the 56th St exit west (exit 40).
- Turn left on Channing Rd (1.2 miles from the I-465 exit).
- The church parking lot is on your left.
- Go to the Beattie Room.



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