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At nine weeks old, the only way I can photograph them is when



they are sleeping. And at nine weeks, they don't all sleep together as much. They are on the bed behind me as I put MIND together which is good because I'm not having to pluck them from the keyboard as I do when they are awake. *[See Editor's Column]* 

## **Old Dog/New Tricks**

Teresa Gregory, Editor

This has been a challenging month for me. My house was listed for sale and I had an offer in about two weeks time. The buyers asked for a reduction in price, I agreed. They had it inspected and asked for another reduction. I agreed again. Then their credit union decided not to fund them. I lost the deal. So she is back on the market. We have an open house on Sunday. I'm just really looking forward to this to all be over so I can concentrate on my wonderful new smaller house.



My house is feeling even smaller as the kittens get bigger. Yes, I still have all five of them. They are nine weeks old and sleep, eat, and run. I remember as a child watching those old Disney live-action shorts that featured such titles as "Ricky the Rascally Raccoon" where an animal innocently creates mayhem and demolishes a kitchen in the process. (Note: while writing this, I heard a crash, so I got up to see what was going on. Five innocent faces looked up at me from the kitchen. None of them knew how my lamp in the living room got knocked over, and for people who know me, yes, THAT lamp.) I granted them free run of the house several weeks ago after I admitted defeat in trying to keep them contained in one room. They have five distinct personalities and are each special.

I attended a Trade School class last night on leaving a legacy by writing memoirs. It was an excellent and well spent two hours. I now have a start point and can easily move on from there. I have always thought about leaving something for my children, but I wasn't really sure where to begin. Oh, the stories I have to tell!

This year, besides being CIM's fiftieth year, it's my tenth year as a member of Mensa and my eighth year as a member of the Executive Committee. You will find on page 6 our slate of candidates for our September election. My name is not on it. I had initially agreed to run, but when I saw the excellent and diverse list of people that Marcele Everest and Petra Ritchie had recruited, I withdrew. There was no guarantee that I would have been elected, but now I'm sure that one seat will be filled by a new-comer as will the seat vacated by the late Jean Rodgers. Next month, the candidates will submit short biographies and campaign statements, and I'm excited to read them. I'm going to have to make some hard choices as I mark my own ballot. Thank you to our two hard-working volunteers, Marcele and Petra, and our amazing candidates.

Happy July Fourth!

## LocSection

Jan Pfeil Doyle

**Calling All Younger Adult Mensans** – If you are a member of Generation X or one of those upstart Millenials (Gen Y), and are over the age of eighteen, please consider joining CIM's new Cinder SIG. New member **Ethan Blocher-Smith** has created and is hosting the SIG; it will meet on the fourth Fridays on the NW side of Indianapolis. See the details for this month's meeting in the calendar and also Ethan's article in the June MIND. You can contact Ethan at MensaCinder@gmail.com. (A SIG is a Special Interest Group.)



**Wacky Science** – At the June monthly meeting, Rob Pyatt delighted us once again with his interactive presentation of several "unusual" scientific studies. Rob LOVES talking about science, the scientific method, and getting his audiences to think about and be critical of research studies. Studies he discussed included wearing socks <u>over</u> shoes to make walking on ice easier, parachuting beavers from airplanes to relocate them, and seeing if mothers found their own baby's diaper smells less objectionable than strangers baby's diapers. We always have a big turn out to hear Rob.

**Mensans Dining Out** – Speaking of big turn outs, we had 15+ come out to eat Cuban food at the Havana Café in Indianapolis. We're getting enough people attending that RSVPing is more important. Please let coordinator **Bob Zdanky** know, either directly or by Meet Up, if you're planning to attend so he can let the restaurants know how many to expect.

**New Indy Lunch Bunch Coordinator** – Meeting for lunch in downtown Indianapolis is one of CIM's longest running activities. **Alan Schmidt** has been the contact for the activity for several years (thanks, Alan!) and has informed us that starting in August, the new coordinator will be **Karen Steilberger**. Thanks, Karen, for stepping into Alan's shoes. Congratulations are in order to Alan for a couple of major events coming up in his life: he is retiring at the end of July and getting married in mid August! I wish him much happiness.

**Annual Gathering** – Leo and I are headed to Boston for the Mensa AG (ie, national convention) the first part of July. In July 2015, the AG will be in Louisville. If you've never attended an AG, that would be an easy one to start with. Once you've tried one, you'll be hooked!

**P.S.** We still need people to help a little or a lot with our Mensa Family Program (aka Gifted Youth Program). Please let me or David Bonner know if you can volunteer to help.

## Slate of Executive Committee Candidates

CIM Nominating Committee

As of June 10<sup>th</sup> the following members make up the Nominating Committee's slate of candidates for the Executive Committee (ExCom). Nine candidates will be elected to the ExCom in the September election. One of the nine candidate is to be elected as the Local Secretary (LocSec). This election there is just one LocSec candidate who, therefore, is running unopposed. The term length is two years and will begin on October 1, 2014.

Richard Albright	Diane O'Brien
Sandra Althouse	Janice Pfeil Doyle*
Jon Applegate	Karen Steilberger
Ethan Blocher-Smith	Karen Wilczewski
Edward Chu	Robert Zdanky
David Culp	Karen Zwick
Ann Hake	* (LocSec candidate)

The Central Indiana Mensa (CIM) By-Laws provide a means for a member to be a petition candidate. To do so, the requirements are that the petition candidate 1) be a member in good standing of CIM, 2) agree to serve if elected, and 3) deliver a petition asking to be a candidate, signed by ten CIM members, to the Nominating Committee Chair no later than July 10<sup>th</sup>.

An opportunity will be provided for the candidates to have statements published in the August MIND and also to speak briefly at the August monthly meeting.

Nominating Committee:Marcele Everest, Chair765-221-9477 marcele.everest@gmail.comPetra Ritchie317-786-8665 petraritchie@msn.com

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES: TWENTY YEARS AGO

The Nominating Committee (Chair Nancy White, Bob Birch, and Kay Rinehart) announced the slate in the July, 1994 MIND:

Rick Barbrick\* Scott Flood Marion Harcourt Carlynna Hinkle Sandy Sheehan Karen Wilczewski \* (LocSec candidate) George Dunn Nora Graft\* John Hartman Peggy Sargent David Tess Adren Yates

## In Case You Missed Him

Alison Brown



Cletus is near the money as he is being guarded by the Treasurer of Mensa International, Rudi Challupner.



Cletus, our visitor from Florida has been traveling. He has a few vacation pictures to share.

Here he is comfortably resting in the capable hands of UpperAustrian LocSec Karina.



The internationality of Mensa is being held high as Floridian Cletus meets Roger, a Swiss living in Austria.

## Lily and Me

## Teresa Gregory

Some of you may remember reading about or meeting my teenage friend, Lily. We met through the Starfish Initiative program when she started high school. June 4 I attended Lily's high school graduation. She is currently looking for a job and will be attending IUPUI in the fall. She applied to several schools, but decided to stay local and try to avoid some of the student debt that we read so much about. I am so proud of her. The last four years have been an incredible experience.

Starfish Initiative pairs economically disadvantaged teens with adult mentors who will help them get ready for college. Mentors are not tutors but more adult friends who encourage and coach the student. If you live in the Indianapolis area, are a college graduate yourself, and have some time to invest in the future, this is a wonderful and rewarding program. Sadly, the program has to turn away bright wonderful students for lack of adult volunteers. For more information, go to www. http://www.starfishinitative.org or contact me. Officially, I've completed the program, so I will be starting over. I'll be telling you about my new scholar in future issues. (Matching occurs in July so it's not too late to join me.)



June 17, 2010 - June 4, 2014 [I haven't gotten shorter, her shoes got bigger.]

## The Derelict Robert O. Adair

An old brig, the masts and spars with rotting sails, sticking up in the air, wide channels, regular platforms, she floated so low in the water they were scarcely a foot above the side of the dinghy when the castaways found her. Under the stern: Shenandoah. Martha's Vineyard, the name of the ship and its port, a long way from there to the South Sea islands. The whole place smelled of seabeach, tar, decaying wood and deep mystery. The deck laden with timber, nearly the whole of the quarterdeck occupied by a deck house The sun shone sadly through the starboard windows. There was a table in the middle with a chair pushed away as if someone's meal had been interrupted by some impending emergency On the table the remains of an unfinished meal: a teapot, two cups, two plates. these dead remains spoke eloquently moreso than human speech of dire catastrophe! Two cabins filled with old clothes the usual personal belongings. of the captain and the mate. Everything suggesting nothing to explain their eerie disappearance. It couldn't be a storm or the table would not be so neatly set. No signs of struggle, no bloodstained deck. One more inexplicable, creepy, foreboding mystery of the sea!

Move In	Leni Ribeiro Leite	New Whiteland	IN
Move In	Ray E Anderson	Terre Haute	IN
Reinstating	Timothy J Edwards	Paducah	KY
Reinstating	Jason S Owens	Owensboro	KY
Renewing	Marilla Havens	Indianapolis	IN
Renewing	Suresh K Chengalva	Carmel	IN
Renewing	Matt Brennan	Indianapolis	IN
Renewing	Terry Baggett	Livermore	KY
Renewing	Jeffrey Robert Batson	Shelbyville	IN
Renewing	Pamela Myhre	Indianapolis	IN
Renewing	Prof Robert E Neth	Columbus	IN

## **Welcome New and Returning Members!**

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## **Cinder – Burning Strong**

Ethan Charles Blocher-Smith

After our triumphant first meeting, Cinder is pleased to announce the second in what should be a long line of fun gatherings. We will once again be meeting at 2768 Woodwind Way, Indianapolis, IN 46268, on the fourth Friday of July, the 25th. Following on from our first look at biomechanical augmentation, we will be discussing genetic augmentation this month, including both GMO and gene therapy. We look forward to having you join us. Be sure to link up with our Facebook page (under Cinder), our Twitter feed of interesting stories (@M\_Cinder), and send any inquiries for details to our email (mensacinder@gmail.com). See you there!

## July 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: Alan Schmidt, 317-233-5190, <u>alan.schmidt@att.net</u>

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, <u>SIGHT@indymensa.org</u>.

**Muncie Area Group Meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> 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

**Monthly Gathering** – 2nd Friday at 7:00 p.m., All Souls Unitarian Church, 5805 E. 56<sup>th</sup> 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

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**Summer Blast – Friday, 7/11 5 pm to Saturday7/12 10 pm**. Pretty Lake, Plymouth, IN. \$15 per person. Indy Mensa Family Program. (See the website <u>kids.indymensa.org</u> for details, updates, and to RSVP.) Contact: David Bonner 317-973-0258

**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, <u>rawlings@siu.edu</u>

**Games People Play** – **Friday 7/18**, Pitch-In Dinner 6:30 pm., games begin 7 pm. Bring your favorites, or share those of others. Join Petra and other members of All Souls Unitarian Church at their monthly games night, 5805 E. 56th St. Questions: Petra 786-8665, <u>petraritchie@msn.com</u>

## Check out our newly updated and active Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/67015884487/

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
		1	2 Indy Lunch Bunch
6	7	8	9
13	14	15 Paducah Area Group Meeting	16 Indy Lunch Bunch
20 Book Discussion Mensans Dining Out	21	22 MINDbending/ ExCom	23
27	28	29	30
3	4	5	6 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/

## July 2014 (Continued)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5 Ham 'n' Eggs; Muncie Meeting
10	11 Monthly Gathering; Summer Blast; MIND deadline	12 Summer Blast; Calendar Deadline
17	18 Games People Play	19
24	25 Cinder	26
31	1 August	2 Ham 'n' Eggs; Muncie Meeting
7	8 Monthly Gathering	9 Mensa Test

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

## July 2014 Events (cont.)

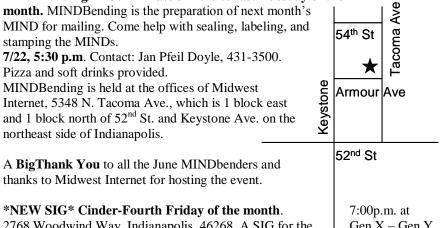
#### Book Discussion - Sunday 7/20, at 3:00 p.m.

We will discuss *Coming Apart: The State of White America, 1960-2010* by Charles Murray We will be meeting at Rich and Jackie Gibson's house on the NE side of Indianapolis. Please contact Rich at <u>hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com</u> or 317-735-2895 for more details or to RSVP.

Mensans Dining Out -Sunday 7/20 at 6 p.m. Some Guys Pizza Pasta Grill,

6235 Allisonville Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46220 Contact: Bob Zdanky, 317-503-0091 or Zdanky@gmail.com

#### MINDBending/ExCom - Last or next-to-last Tuesday of the



2768 Woodwind Way, Indianapolis, 46268. A SIG for the Gen X – Gen Y crowd. (See page 10 for more details.) Contact Ethan Blocher-Smith, <u>MensaCinder@gmail.com</u>

**Mensa Test - Saturday, 8/9**, Wayne Library, 198 South Girls School Road, Indianapolis, Indiana. Registration 10 am Test 11am. Contact: Steve Merchant <u>blazingstar32@hotmail.com</u> or 317-431-8645

Watch this space for upcoming events! Better yet, schedule one yourself. Just contact David Culp and your event could be on our calendar.

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

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## Let It Go

Ellen Voie, RVC 4

If you had the pleasure of watching the animated movie, "Frozen," you heard the character, Elsa, sing the song, "Let It Go." Here are a few lines from that song.

Let it go, let it go Can't hold it back anymore Let it go, let it go! Turn away and slam the door! I don't care what they're going to say Let the storm rage on..

Let it go! Let it go! I am one with the wind and sky! Let it go! Let it go! You'll never see me cry! Here I stand and here I'll stay Let the storm rage on...

I've reminded myself to heed these words many times in my role as LocSec and RVC, as well as co-chairing the Wisconsin/UP Regional Gathering twice. Sometimes you just have to say, let it go.

Please know that I feel strongly that Mensa members cannot ever be stereotyped, as they have so little in common. There is one thing I have noticed from my interaction with this highly intelligent group of individuals ... they are very blunt. I thought about using the word candid, or maybe even frank, but the word blunt works better.

I have sat through PowerPoint Presentations at Mensa events where the goal for some people is to be the first to identify a typo on a slide. When that happens, a hand goes up immediately and without waiting to be called upon, a sincere person points to the offending word or phrase and tells the presenter, "You misspelled a word."

#### Let it go

There have been events where someone is interested in a topic that might not be agreeable to another. When the interested party asks a question for greater understanding, the uninterested person states loudly: "Maybe he needs to be retested." Yes, I have heard this more than once.

#### Let it go

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Check the Mensa Bulletin. Instead of disagreeing with a concept or an idea, the writer attacks the person with comments that suggest the writer, or the editor is an idiot. Instead of going after someone's character, it would be better to debate the facts, and just the facts, ma'am.

This type of argument is called an ad hominem, which means to reject the claims stated by an individual by questioning his or her character and ignoring the reasoning. Nothing is as frustrating to me as an argument that moves away from the details and transfers the line of reasoning to the other person's integrity.

#### Let it go

Please allow me one more example of the Mensa bluntness that permeates our communication. Check the online community. I rarely log in to this feature, but while writing this column I thought I would see how civil the members are towards one another. The first forum I found was titled "Complains about Forum Administration." REALLY?

#### Let it go

I joined Mensa many years ago, and I have been so pleased to make so many new friends and find people who are quick witted and fun to communicate with in the central and northeast Wisconsin area. Do I agree with everything they say? I absolutely do not, but I enjoy their company and I want to learn from them without lessening the other person's contribution to the organization or the conversation.

The next time you disagree with a Mensan's opinion, don't challenge their character; just question the facts. If you see a typo on a slide, don't be in a race to point it out, we know it's there and we're trying to ignore it for the sake of the presenter. The next time you find yourself questioning someone's intelligence when they ask a question, *let it go*.

We're in this organization for a reason and if you're like me, it is to connect, make friends and engage in stimulating conversation. As for those little irritations from other members....*let it go*.

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## **Books on the Runway**

Margy Lancet Fletcher

**Title:** *Call the Midwife: A Memoir of Birth, Joy, and Hard Times* **Author:** Jennifer Worth **Year:** 2002

**Book Description:** This book is the first of a trilogy of memoirs, which also includes *Call the Midwife: Shadows of the Workhouse* and *Call the Midwife: Farewell to the East End.* It chronicles the author's early years as one of the Anglican sister midwives at the Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital (called St. Raymund Nonnatus House in the book), in the heart of the Docklands, an impoverished working-class neighborhood in London's East End. Worth, a gifted storyteller, beguiles her readers with an absorbing and clear-eyed history of the Docklands culture, the London nursing and midwife professions, and the "Nonnatus" organization, as well as many fascinating characters within and outside the sisterhood. The various prenatal cases which the author documents are alternately tragic and life-affirming; the majority of the women gave birth in their homes, which were often dangerously squalid and crowded. Nevertheless, many of these mothers, and the midwives who assisted them, managed to tap their inner resources and overcome adversity in ways that we would consider heroic.

Has this book changed the way you think, your attitude toward life, or even your life itself? If so, how? In stark contrast to the Jane Austen romantic novels, *Call the Midwife* represents a dose of grim reality through its introduction to the less palatable aspects of urban life. However, the author's outlook is always refreshingly positive, and her narratives are a true testament to the power of faith and love.

Who should definitely read this book? Why? I highly recommend this book to anyone enthusiastic about medical science, British history, and/or sociology. This volume also includes informative appendices that feature a detailed analysis of the Cockney accent and a glossary of obstetrical terms.

How long might it take to read this book? No more than two days, in my estimation.

**Provide a short characteristic section, an awesome sentence, or an inspiring quote**: "Slum clearance [in the Docklands] started in the late 1950's, while I was still working in the area. No doubt the houses were a bit grotty, but they were people's homes and much loved. I remember many, many people, old and young, men and women, holding a piece of paper from the Council, informing them that their houses or flats were to be demolished, and that they were to be rehoused. Most were sobbing. They knew no other world, and a move of four

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miles seemed like going to the ends of the earth. The moves shattered the extended family, and children suffered as a result. The transition also literally killed many old people who could not adapt. What is the point of a spanking new flat with central heating and a bathroom, if you never see your grandchildren, have no one to talk to, and your local, which sold the best beer in London, is now four miles away?"

**Additional Remarks:** The *Call the Midwife* trilogy has been masterfully transformed to live action via the acclaimed PBS series of the same name – another experience not to be missed.

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES: INDY REGIONAL GATHERINGS OF THE FUTURE Roy Olson (March, 1989)

The 1989 "INDY INDULGENCE RG" was a howling success. We had the opportunity to renew old friendships and fashion a few new ones. All in all we had a great time. It was our best RG ever.

The big question is: What are we going to do for an encore? What can we possibly use as a theme that can outdo "INDULGENCE"? "INDY INDULGENCE II" was suggested. Why not make it a tradition in the manner of "HALLOWEEM"? After some discussion this idea was rejected because it was thought that we might get into a rut. What could we use for a theme that would be daringly different and intellectually stimulating?

Welcome to "INDY INCARCERATION 1990!" After an enormous amount of thought (and beer) we decided on a prison theme. This will be your chance to experience life in the "big house" and learn the ins and outs of day to day prison life. Make new friends and enemies. Sing mournful prison songs. Do hard time for three days and plan your escape.

Here are some of the projected activities.

Carole McDougall has volunteered to coordinate the strip-searches and delousing.

Roy Olsen has located a supply of cattle prods and discount batteries for same.

Kevin Shadle will supply the mirrored sunglasses (from his private collection) to the volunteer "screws" who will host the hospitality suites. *Continued on next page* 

Dan Derrick has graciously offered to coordinate interrogations. He apparently knows many innovative and effective techniques.

Hospitality suites will be the main centers of activity during the RG. These rooms will also be the serving areas for the bread and water snacks that w3ill be served six times over the weekend. One suite for squealers and one for non-squealers.

The crafts room will feature traditional prison crafts. Carve a gun from a bar of soap and learn to make license plates.

The tattoo room will likely be a popular spot. Semi-skilled amateur tattoo artists will be on hand to tattoo the areas of your body that you wish to have decorated.

One lucky person will win the use of the "solitary confinement suite" for the entire weekend. The prize will be awarded on Friday night. The winner will be released on Sunday afternoon.

We plan to have more fun than you can shake a cattle prod at. Surprise strip searches, mental and physical abuse, and more. Be sure to reserve the weekend of February 2, 3, and 4, 1990 for "INDY INCARCERATION 1990."

[Editor's Note: Thinking about a theme for the 2015 RG, I ran across this article by Roy Olson, and it made me laugh.

Long time members will remember some of the people mentioned here who are no longer with us.]

## Central Indiana Mensa ExCom Minutes 4/22/14

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Indiana Mensa ExCom was held at Midwest Internet on Tuesday, March 25, 2014.

LocSec Jan Pfeil Doyle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present included: Jan Pfeil Doyle, David Culp, Teresa Gregory, Ann Hake, Karen Steilberger, Bob Zdanky, and Karen Zwick. Absent: Jean Rodgers and Karen Wilczewski. Guest: Petra Ritchie.

The committee reviewed the minutes of the March ExCom meeting. Karen Zwick moved that the minutes be accepted as presented, Teresa Gregory seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

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Karen Zwick presented the Treasurer's report and made one correction. Teresa Gregory asked if we get interest on the Vanguard account. Karen will see if we can change to another bank that pays more interest, or if we are required by American Mensa to have this account with Vanguard. David Culp made a motion to accept the report as corrected, Ann Hake seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

The membership report shows 11 new, 11 reinstating, and 3 move-in members, 1 offer of membership, and 15 prospects. Four or five of the new members came to the monthly meeting.

#### **Old Business**

Culture Quest: We do have a team.

2014 OG: Teresa Gregory said that she will be at the OG for the whole weekend after all. Greg Crawford is bringing beer and pop, and Teresa will bring hard cider. Teresa suggested a drive-in movie at a theater near the campground. Jan has some information from Indiana Artisans about activities in the area.

Elections: Petra Ritchie is assisting Marcele Everest on the nominating committee.

Children's program: Jan Pfeil Doyle asked the ExCom members to think of possible leaders.

Books for Evansville school: Teresa Gregory heard from T.J. Lundeen about a SIG that has an interest in helping. Teresa forwarded the information to Jan Pfeil Doyle.

Todd Academy status: Petra Ritchie said there are 50 students enrolled for next fall. Building remodeling work is planned for after the current school year is over.

## New Business

LDW at the AG: Teresa Gregory said that there will be a Leadership Development Workshop one day before the AG starts. American Mensa will subsidize \$75 of the extra hotel night. Teresa moved that the local group pay the remainder of the hotel cost for the extra night for Jan Pfeil Doyle to attend. Karen Zwick seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

There being no other business, David Culp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Karen Zwick seconded the motion. The motion was carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Steilberger

## **Treasurer's Report**

Karen Zwick, Treasurer

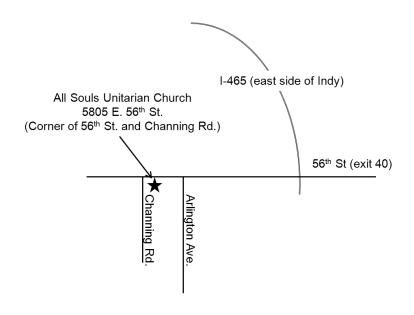
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Bank Accounts	05/26/2014	04/21/2014
Checking – Regular	\$16,555.57	\$7,968.66
Checking – Scholarship	374.53	374.53
Checking – Youth Mbrship	849.00	849.00
Checking – Buzz Fund	450.00	420.00
Gathering Account	0.00*	7,645.98
Vanguard Account	3,739.73	\$3,739.73
Total Assets	\$21,968.83	\$20,997.90

## Balance Sheet (as of 05/26/2014)

\* Gathering Account was closed out and assets deposited in Checking-Regular.

## Profit & Loss Statement (04/22/2014 – 05/26/2014)

Income	
401.1 – Monthly Gathering Income (April, May)	226.00
401.3 – OG Income 2014	1425.00
402 – National Mensa Inc.	494.68
406 – Income for Buzz Fund	30.00
410 – Miscellaneous Income (additional income from RG and OG not previously recorded)	343.53
Total Income	2,519.21
Expense	
501.1 – Monthly Gathering Hospitality	10.68
503.1 – OG Hospitality	365.33
503.2 – OG Facility	513.60
505 – Food for ExCom/MIND	77.37
505.1 – MIND Printing	322.58
505.2 – MIND Postage	258.72
Total Expenses	1,548.28



## Mensa Monthly Gathering Location All Souls Unitarian Church, The Beattie Room, 5805 E. 56<sup>th</sup> St., Indianapolis

- From I-465 on the east side of Indianapolis, take the 56<sup>th</sup> 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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