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Calling All “Task-A-Teers”

Karen Zwick, Editor

As I write this month’s column, we’ve had a week of unusually warm weather with more of the same predicted for next week. I love the weather, but hope the budding and blooming trees, especially fruit trees, don’t get zapped with a hard frost later on.



The glorious weather has me looking forward to our CIM Outdoor Gathering, coming up May 18 – 20 at beautiful Versailles State Park (see page 18 of *MIND* for a registration form). I’ve really enjoyed this event the past several years and encourage you to come for the entire weekend or just for the day on Saturday.

Our hard-working Local Secretary, Teresa Gregory, has planned for and cooked the food for this weekend in past years. Since Teresa is having a knee replacement surgery in a few days, I offered to take the food planning responsibilities off her shoulders for this Outdoor Gathering.

Please consider being a “Task-A-Teer” for Central Indiana Mensa. A “Task-A-Teer” is a person who volunteers to help with one or more specific tasks.

If you are already planning on coming to the Outdoor Gathering, I would love to have your help as a “Task-A-Teer” in food preparation, serving, or clean-up. If you are a baker, please consider bringing a batch of cookies, brownies, or other baked treats. If you can chop vegetables without requiring a trip to the emergency room, come help with food preparation for lunch or dinner. If you have no cooking skills whatsoever, please help wash dishes after a meal.

Please send me an e-mail at mind.editor@yahoo.com if you are bringing some other type of treat to the Outdoor Gathering weekend. I hope to see you there.

We also need folks to bring snacks for the April Monthly Gathering on April 13. Teresa will still be recovering from her knee surgery and will not be able to bring food to the meeting.

T.G.InFo

Teresa Gregory, LocSec

It seems we are in the midst of a super-early spring. It's scary to see so many beautiful magnolias blooming in March when the frost line for Indiana is the first week in May. I have a lavender rhododendron blooming as I write this. I can't believe that we have really seen the last of winter even if it is spring according to the calendar. But I'll take my Claritin and enjoy, without question, the beauty as it unfolds and blossoms around me.



Speaking of beauty in nature, it's not too early to plan to attend the Outdoor Gathering May 18-20 at Versailles State Park. I just had breakfast with Karen Zwick yesterday morning (thanks, Karen!) and we were planning the menu. As I told her, one of the real luxuries of this event is the commercial kitchen that we have available. We can cook things on-site that we can't do at an RG. Trust me, there's going to be some good eats there! Where else can you spend a weekend with non-stop food, lodging, great company, fun activities, and flush toilets for only \$50? It's like being on a cruise ship without the towels folded into animals.

Don't forget to renew your membership if you haven't already!

Check out the new Facebook page for Evansville. (www.evansvillemensa.com). You'll get all you up to the minute info for the southern part of CIM. Also, the contact down there is now Dr. Louis Cady. Go online, look around, leave a message. Nice site!

If you live in the Indy area, please check out our new meeting place for the Monthly Gathering. It's very nice, cozy, lots of parking, near the interstate. The part that hasn't changed is the great camaraderie, the very interesting speakers, and the fun. Last month, a few of us continued the meeting at the IHOP at Ft Harrison. It's about three miles east and open 24 hours. In the distant past, this was a regular event. Let's revive it. We had a lot of fun, and you don't really have to stay until 3:00 am like some of us did.

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I will not be at the April Monthly Gathering in Indianapolis, so please consider bringing a snack to share if you plan to attend.

Our Nominating Committee has formed and is working on putting together a slate of candidates for our September election. (See article in this issue of *MIND*.) If you would be interested in running, contact one of the NomCom members. If you think of someone you would like to suggest, contact one of the NomCom members. It might be that that person hadn't considered it. We have great people in this group. Don't be shy...!

And thinking of great people in the group leads me to this month's LocSec Shout-out. This is a volunteer organization. We have some great volunteers in our group who have helped in so many ways, sometimes in ways the membership doesn't know. This month, I'd like to Shout-Out to a former LocSec, former newsletter editor, former program chair, former RG chair, former (too many roles to list), and current Monthly Gathering Hostess, Petra Ritchie.

For years, we met at Riley Towers, but when they decided to re-purpose our meeting area, Petra offered to procure her condo clubhouse for us. We met there several years when they decided to raise the rent. Again, Petra found us our current meeting place. She is the person who is there each month to set up the chairs and she is the last person out each month after everything is squared away and the last light is turned out.

Only a few people probably know that we have a really amazing printing situation with a small family-owned printer in Indianapolis for *MIND*. When our old printer raised prices dramatically with no notice, Petra started making calls and found us a MinuteMan Press on the south side of Indy. Not only did she negotiate us a deal, she also goes to the printer each month and picks up the *MINDs* for us to send out. Petra is also a member of the NomCom, something she has done for the past two elections. So much of what she does is behind the scenes that I want to make sure people know what a treasure she is to our group. Thank you, Petra.

Happy Spring!

The NomCom Begins Work - But Cannot Finish Without YOU

Submitted by Alison Brown

As you may have read on p.7 of the March *MIND*, I have volunteered to chair the Nominating Committee. March madness, I know, but it avoids the question: Would I run for ExCom? ;-) My first step was to recruit a team of experienced members, as I myself have never done this before. I am pleased to announce that the other members of the Nominating Committee, as appointed by the ExCom, are Larry Marcus, Steve Merchant and Petra Ritchie.

All of them have long experience in Central Indiana Mensa, have held offices and continue to be active in the group. Expect to hear from them as well as me over the next months leading up to the Central Indiana Mensa Elections.

And what are we electing here in CIM? We are electing the leadership of our group, the folks who will spend time and effort making CIM a wonderful place to be a member of Mensa. We are electing a LocSec (the Local Secretary – the British term chosen to designate the president of a local group such as ours) – the head of the ExCom, the most visible person to the membership and the community at large. Then we are electing the ExCom (the Executive Committee), which is put in place to execute the wishes of the membership and fulfill the requirements of American Mensa Limited for a dependable and transparent governance of the local group.

Any member in good standing may run for office and we will probably have some returning officers that newcomers can rely upon, if they are hesitant to take the plunge. A perk of my job is that I get to search the current membership rolls to find likely candidates, with the qualities that are desirable for the offices of LocSec and ExCom member. The LocSec is the heart of the group, loves to communicate with people, has an integrative personality, and displays patience with both the bureaucracy that a large organization brings with it and with the variegated personalities that make up a Mensa Group. We are looking for a minimum of two candidates for LocSec and I refer any who might be interested to the Letter

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“E” in the *Mensa Bulletin* for March (p. 5) to see if you fit the profile. Our current LocSec exemplifies these qualities and in addition has been unparalleled in her additional function as Hospitality chair. But candidates for LocSec may rest assured, our hostess with the mostest plans to continue with the Hospitality portfolio even as she passes on the gavel as LocSec.

There are over 16 places on the ballot for ExCom candidates. Some ExCom members hold special functions, like Recording Secretary or Treasurer. There are even positions for avowed introverts! As I browsed through the membership list, I noticed how many names provided me with no faces to match. In Carmel alone, where I am the coordinator of Ham ‘n’ Eggs, there are dozens of members I have never met (but, if you provided us with an e-mail, you will be receiving an extra invitation to the next H’n’E!). Then there are the many names that indicate, to put it gingerly, a non-European heritage. While Mensa started out as a white guys club, with limited roles for women, times have changed and there is a desire across the board to welcome members of minorities into decision-making, active roles in the organization.

Getting involved with the Local Group is the beginning of fully using your Mensa membership. Make a start by coming to the Monthly Gathering or regional meetings and getting to know your fellow Mensans. Your Local Group might just be the place to invest your talents for fun and mutual benefits. Come and talk to the NomCom and tell us what you think needs to be done to make the group a good fit for you and how you think we all could make this happen. Or drop me a line; I will share your nominations and comments with the whole committee.

Alison Brown SIGHT@indymensa.org

Thanks to those who helped at February MINDbending

David Bonner, Alison Brown, Jan Pfeil Doyle, Teresa Gregory, Siegmund Haider, Jud Horning, Petra Ritchie, Alan Schmidt, Karen Wilczewski, Bob Zdanky, Karen Zwick, and thanks as always to Midwest Internet for hosting the event.

2012 Mensa Admission Testing Schedule

Steve Merchant, Proctor Coordinator

The Mensa Admissions Test sessions for 2012 will all be held at the Wayne Library, 198 South Girls School Road, Indianapolis, Indiana, on the following dates and times.

Date	Location	Registration Time	Test Start Time
Apr 21, 2012	(same)	10:00 – 11:00	11:00 a.m.
Jun 16, 2012	(same)	10:00 – 11:00	11:00 a.m.
Aug 18, 2012	(same)	10:00 – 11:00	11:00 a.m.
Oct 13, 2012	(same)	1:00 – 2:00	2:00 p.m.

The test will take about two hours to complete. Test takers are required to show a photo ID. Session limited to 30 candidates. Overflow will be rescheduled to the near future.

The fee of \$40 is payable by cash, check, or any major credit card. 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. I am 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 <http://www.us.mensa.org/scores>. Further questions about prior evidence admission to Mensa may be answered by contacting Mary Spencer at 817-607-0060, Extension 5529.

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 one or two #2 pencils. I also have plenty of extras.

QUESTIONS: Feel free to e-mail me at blazingstar32@hotmail.com, or telephone me at 317-240-3077 at home, or 317-431-8645 on my cell phone. Good luck to all candidates.

Think – Think – Think

Submitted by Steve Merchant

Try this fun IQ-ish quiz. (Answers found on Page 15.)

1. Johnny's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May. What was the third child's name?
2. There is a clerk at the butcher shop, he is five feet ten inches tall, and he wears size 13 sneakers. What does he weigh?
3. Before Mt. Everest was discovered, what was the highest mountain in the world?
4. What word in the English language is always spelled incorrectly?
5. Billy was born on December 28th, yet his birthday is always in the summer. How is this possible?
6. In California, you cannot take a picture of a man with a wooden leg. Why not?
7. What was the President's Name in 1975?
8. If you were running a race, and you passed the person in 2nd place, what place would you be in now?
9. Which is correct to say, "The yolk of the egg are white" or "The yolk of the egg is white"?
10. If a farmer has 5 haystacks in one field and 4 haystacks in the other field, how many haystacks would he have if he combined them all in another field?

Evansville Area Mensa

Dr. Louis Cady

Next meeting - April 15th, Cady Wellness Institute - 5 pm. (This is the Sunday AFTER the "second Sunday" of the month, which falls on Easter.) This will be part II of the music lecture series with our own Louis Cady- who has had a career both as a performing musician (piano) and now whose second career is medicine. The topic: DARTH VADER IS NOT MY LOVER: WHAT DOES THE GODFATHER HAVE TO DO WITH B...OLERO? This will be a lively discussion, using played musical excerpts (both from recordings and from life keyboard demonstration), reviewing melody, harmony, meter, key, mood and using the music of John William, Michael Jackson, Ravel, Beethoven, Stravinsky, and Lady Gaga. You will never hear music again the same way after coming to this program!

April 2012 Events - Central Indiana Mensa

Bridge SIG – 1st Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Contacts: Grace Falvey and Bob Dill, 842-6246

4/1: Bill Eberbach, 8707 Ridge Hill Drive, 888-5941

5/6: Grace Falvey and Bob Dill, 8116 Fox Chase Drive, 842-6246

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, alan.schmidt@att.net

West Lafayette/Lafayette

Lunch – 1st Wednesday, 12:00 noon.

Contact: Joe Stamper, 765-474-4759, jstamper@aui.edu

Ham 'n' Eggs (Hamilton County Eggheads) 1st Saturday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Shapiro's, 918 South Range Line Road, Carmel, IN. Drop in any time for casual conversation, lively discussion, and a hearty breakfast in the cafeteria.

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.

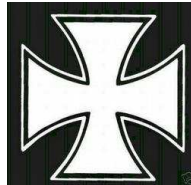
Contact: Jason Smith, munciemensa@gmail.com

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

4/13: Our speaker for April will be Roger Robison, MD. He will tell us about the Knights of Malta, also known as The Sovereign Military Order of Malta

(SMOM). The group is the world's oldest surviving order of chivalry. SMOM is the modern continuation of the original medieval order of St. John of Jerusalem then known as the Knights Hospitaller. They were founded about 1050 AD to provide care for poor and sick pilgrims to the Holy Land. It survives today with thousands of members, volunteers and medical personnel providing help to the elderly, handicapped, sick, homeless and those with terminal illnesses without regard to race or religion. Dr. Robison is a radiation oncologist in Bloomington.





Kokomo Breakfast – 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

Richard's Restaurant, east of Highway 31, 2 blocks north of Center

Contact: Patricia Sottong, (765) 457-0754; leave message.

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

April 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
1 Bridge SIG	2	3	4 Indy Lunch Bunch ; W. Lafayette Lunch
8	9	10	11
15	16	17 Paducah Area Group Meeting	18 Indy Lunch Bunch
22 Book Discussion 	23	24 <i>MIND</i> bending/ ExCom	25
29 Culture Quest 	30	May 2012 1	2 Indy Lunch Bunch; W. Lafayette Lunch
6 Bridge SIG	7	8	9
13	14	15	16 Indy Lunch Bunch



April 2012 Events (cont.)

Media Club – 2nd Saturday of the month at 2:00 p.m., 4471 Bristol Lane, Carmel

4/14: This month Ed will show the movie *Limitless*, which is about the choices a man makes when he gains super-intelligence.

Snacks and drinks provided. Contact: Ed Chu, 317-569-8546

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

4/17: Olive Garden, 5150 Hinkleville Rd, Paducah, KY 42001 (Across from the Kentucky Oaks Mall). Anyone in the area is welcome to join fellow Mensans for dinner. For more information on this group, contact Charles Rawlings, rawlings@siu.edu

Mensa Admissions Testing

Saturday, 4/21: Registration 10:00-11:00 a.m., test begins 11:00 a.m.

Wayne Branch Library, 198 S. Girls School Rd., Indianapolis
Contact: Steve Merchant, (h) 317-240-3077, (c) 317-431-8645,
Blazingstar32@hotmail.com

Mensans Dining Out – 3rd Saturday of every month, 6:00 p.m.

4/21: Havana Cafe , 3839 Moller Road, Indianapolis. Contact: Jean Rodgers, jeanerodgers@yahoo.com; or Bob Zdanky, 317-503-0091 or Zdanky@gmail.com

Book Discussion

4/22, 3 p.m., Leo and Jan Pfeil Doyle's home on the NE side of Indianapolis. We'll be discussing *A Short History of Nearly Everything* by Bill Bryson.

Contact Jan Pfeil Doyle, 317-431-3500, or jan@mw.net for directions. RSVPs appreciated but not required.

MINDBending/ExCom – Last or next-to-last Tuesday of the month.

MINDBending is the preparation of next month's *MIND* for mailing.

Come help with folding, sealing, labeling, and stamping the *MIND*s.

4/24, 5:30 p.m. Contact: Teresa 430-1761.

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 NE side of Indy.

LOOKING AHEAD

Outdoor Gathering (OG)

Friday, 5/18-Sunday, 5/20

Versailles State Park in southeast Indiana. More details elsewhere in *MIND*.

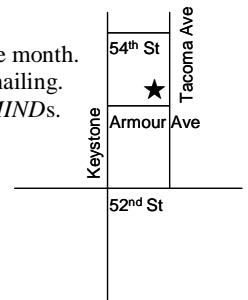
Contact Cyndi Kuyper (756) 463-1393, cyndi9352@yahoo.com.

Book Discussion 6/24: *The Emperor of All Maladies* by Siddhartha Mukherjee

May *MIND* calendar items due 4/14/12 to sbeilbe@sbcglobal.net.

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7 Ham 'n' Eggs; Muncie Meeting
12	13 Monthly Gathering; <i>MIND</i> Deadline	14 Kokomo Breakfast; Media Club; Calendar Deadline
19	20	21 Admissions Testing; Mensans Dining Out
26	27	28 Kokomo Breakfast
3	4	5 Ham 'n' Eggs; Muncie Meeting
10	11 Monthly Gathering; <i>MIND</i> deadline	12 Kokomo Breakfast
17	18 Outdoor Gathering begins	19 Outdoor Gathering continues



Welcome!

New & Reinstating Members, Members Moving In

Jacob Barnett, Noblesville, IN	Matthew William Kinnaird, Indianapolis, IN
Dana Dunbar, Jamestown, IN	Chaka K Kpotufe, Indianapolis, IN
Erin Engler, Hopkinsville, KY	James Lawyer, Bedford, IN
Kristy Hope Faulk, Madisonville, KY	Dominic A Martin, Newburgh, IN
Cheng Geoffrey, West Lafayette, IN	Kaelynn Marie Martindale, Indianapolis, IN
Stephen T Getzinger, Indianapolis, IN	Pamela Myhre, Indianapolis, IN
Charles Thomas Gleason, Indianapolis, IN	Beau Reveal, Indianapolis, IN
Rebecca Guilkey, Indianapolis, IN	Paul G Riccio, Noblesville, IN
John Holman, New Palestine, IN	Victoria Rutt, Indianapolis, IN
David Honig, Carmel, IN	Mark E Woodall, Greenville, KY
Shawn E Kilroy, Shelbyville, IN	Stephen Woodruff, Plainfield, IN

Correction from February *MIND*: Larry Hesson is from Plainfield, IN (not Plainfield, KY).

Answers to Quiz on Page 9

1. Johnny, of course
2. Meat
3. Mt. Everest; it just wasn't discovered yet. [You're not very good at this are you?]
4. Incorrectly. [No other way to spell it.]
5. Billy lives in the Southern Hemisphere.
6. You can't take pictures with a wooden leg. You need a camera to take pictures.
7. Same as is it now - Barack Obama [Oh, come on ...]
8. You would be in 2nd. Well, you passed the person in second place, not first.
9. Neither, the yolk of the egg is yellow. [Duh]
10. One. If he combines all of his haystacks, they all become one big stack.

Within Your Ken

Ken Silver RVC4

The last weekend in February I was in St. Louis for their 2012 RG. The theme, not unlike this year's "End of Time" AG theme, was "The End of the World as We Know It." The theme was carried out, for example, with a presentation on the Mayan Calendar, and another on emergency preparedness.



As usual, my personal theme was "The End of my Waistline as I Know It" because hospitality was so abundant and tasty. Every time I come home from any RG I have to get used to the idea all over again that there won't be chocolate everywhere I look.

St. Louis Area Mensa gives a "Member of the Year" or "SLAMmie" Award each year. This year's winner was Gary Kryvko, who is a well-known Mensan in our region, having also been a member in Chicago before moving to St. Louis. Congratulations to Gary for all of his efforts!

One thing that made this trip to St. Louis especially enjoyable was that, at the last minute, I was able to find a bargain flight to St. Louis for less than the cost of just gas would have been if I had driven. If you've been reading my column over the years you might remember that my drives home from this event have typically not been very easy.

This will be my last St. Louis RG as RVC, because next year instead of an RG, St. Louis will be hosting Mind Games, Mensa's annual national new board game event, April 19-21, 2013. Assuming, of course, the world doesn't come to an end on December 21 this year. Make your plans to attend. It may be awhile before it's this convenient again.

There will be an AMC Meeting on the last day of Mensa's year, March 31. Our main purpose will be to approve the 2012-2013 budget. This is the next step after the Finance Committee's budget effort that I described in last month's column. I'll report on the meeting next month.

Ken

Preparing for Retirement (Toastmaster's humorous speech) Alan Schmidt

I will describe some retirement strategies, tell how some have worked for me, and hopefully help you prepare for your retirement.

An important strategy is to start early. For instance, from a very young age I had been planning to retire as a nationally recognized football quarterback. They make millions of dollars every year so it would be easy to retire. There I was the final seconds of the game throwing a Hail Mary pass; it drifts down into the hands of our receiver as he crosses the goal line, my team wins, and the crowd goes wild; in my dreams. A few years of always getting chosen last in the scrimmage football games and I realized I needed a different strategy. I went through college, got an engineering degree, and was making real money so I could save some for retirement.

A strategy for that money is to buy and hold stocks. You take some of your wages, buy stocks in a taxable account, and if you don't sell you don't need to pay any capital gains taxes, so your assets will increase nicely. In the 1990s there was dot com mania. All a company needed was a name, a dot com web site, and a good idea for its stock to go up. I had the Midas touch. It didn't matter what or when I bought, everything kept going up. The easiest way to find the good ones was to buy the ones that had already gone up a lot because they kept going up. E-bay, AOL, Microsoft, Amazon; buy and hold. I was extrapolating the gains for the years and decades ahead, half a million, a million, two million, four million. Once I got to 4 million, I would not know what to do with the money and could certainly retire.

Along with computers burping when they rolled over to 2000, the stock market paused. Stocks were on sale 10% off, what a bargain, buy more. Stocks were 20% off; never in my lifetime did I think I would have a second chance to buy stocks at such a bargain. 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 % off; I think I'm doing it wrong, but I achieved my goal I didn't pay any capital gains taxes. But was that my goal? Oh yes, preparing for retirement. Maybe I should let someone else manage my money.

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I received a letter for a free investment dinner presentation. Calculate the return on investment on a free dinner; it's great. They showed great returns in up years and good returns in poor years for their fund. I got a free consultation to hear more. They had a dish of chocolate truffles, fine plush black leather chairs. They showed the great past returns and mentioned there was a \$50,000 minimum investment. Looking in my wallet I say, "Oh, let me get back to you on that." Through procrastination and serendipity I never lost a dime to the \$65 billion with a "B" Bernie Madoff Ponzi scheme. A Ponzi scheme is where the schemer takes in the money from the current investors, diverts a little for redemptions, and the rest disappears with the schemer. If you just realized that is how the current federal social security system works, you are right, but I'm not going to fix that now.

This doesn't have general applicability, since the e-mail was to me, but just to let you know what is working for me. It seems there is a dormant \$5 million bank account in Nigeria and the bank executive will pay me 20% if I help get it transferred out of Nigeria and into my bank account. Let me do the math for you, 20% of 5 million is one million dollars for me. My investing expertise has become widely recognized. We are still working out the details. They keep e-mailing there are thousands of dollars in safe deposit fees, transfer fees, and courier fees that I need to pay and I keep e-mailing just take it out of the \$5 million dollars before you send it to me.

It may be better to invest yourself with another strategy; buy low sell high. Recognize that "V" shaped recoveries in stock price are typical. Buy low at the bottom of the "V" and sell high. This is called catching the knife. Typically, I catch the knife and it goes lower.

If the previous strategies have not worked for you, then for your retirement years you may need the following training as a greeter. "Hello, welcome to Meijer." Or, at McDonalds, "Do you want fries with that?"

I hope I have helped you prepare for retirement.

OMG! Outdoor Mensa Gathering!

May 18, 19, 20, 2012

Versailles State Park, Indiana



Please join us for a laid-back weekend in the woods. If you're thinking that you aren't the "out-doorsy" type, think again! You get food, lodging, scenery, and more for only **\$50** per person! Saturday only is \$30. Kids up to age 6 are \$20, and ages 6-12 are \$35. There is also a per-car park entry fee. So grab your sleeping bags and towels, and join us at Versailles State Park.

Name _____ Name Tag _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Local Group _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Contact: Cyndi Kuyper, 2606 Henderson Street,
West Lafayette, IN 47906-1537
(765) 463-1393 or cyndi9352@yahoo.com

Central Indiana Mensa Ex-Com Minutes 12/27/11

Karen Wilczewski, Recording Secretary

LocSec Teresa Gregory opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. Members present included: Gregory, Cyndi Kuyper, Alan Schmidt, Karen Wilczewski, Karen Zwick, and Bob Zdanky. Absent: Mindy Grayson, David Bonner, and Jan Pfeil Doyle. Petra Ritchie was a guest.

The minutes of the December Ex-Com meeting were accepted with minor corrections. (Karen Zwick moved; Alan Schmidt seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.)

Alan Schmidt presented the Treasurer's report. The balance as of 1/24/12 was \$21,353. (Karen Zwick moved to accept the Treasurer's report; Cyndi Kuyper seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.)

The membership report by Gregory showed 540 members: 1 new member, 2 reinstating members, 3 move-ins, and 13 prospects.

Old Business

The monthly meeting is moving to All Souls Unitarian Church in February 2012. CIM is being charged a total of \$50 for the new space for each monthly meeting.

New Member Welcome Dinner: The first event will be held at Scotty's Brewhouse, on 96th Street between Keystone Avenue and Allisonville Road. Teresa defined "new member" as including move-ins to our area. As these dinner events rotate around Central Indiana, one of them will be conducted in the vicinity of Bloomington or Jasper.

New Business

There is a vacancy for Webmaster within the group, as James Amato will be resigning from that position once a new webmaster has been identified. One of the responsibilities is for the new webmaster to post a copy of the *MIND* on our website monthly. One recommendation is that the person needs to be a CIM member with technical skills. James will be asked to write a job description and identify qualifications for this position.

Upcoming Elections: We need to start thinking about forming a three-person Nominating Committee to handle the elections coming up in September. If a member serves on the committee, he or she can't run for ExCom. Whoever

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accepts this responsibility will receive notes from the previous election committee as a guide.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m. (Karen Zwick moved to adjourn; Alan Schmidt seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.)

Respectfully submitted,
Karen E. Wilczewski, Recording Secretary

Treasurer's Report

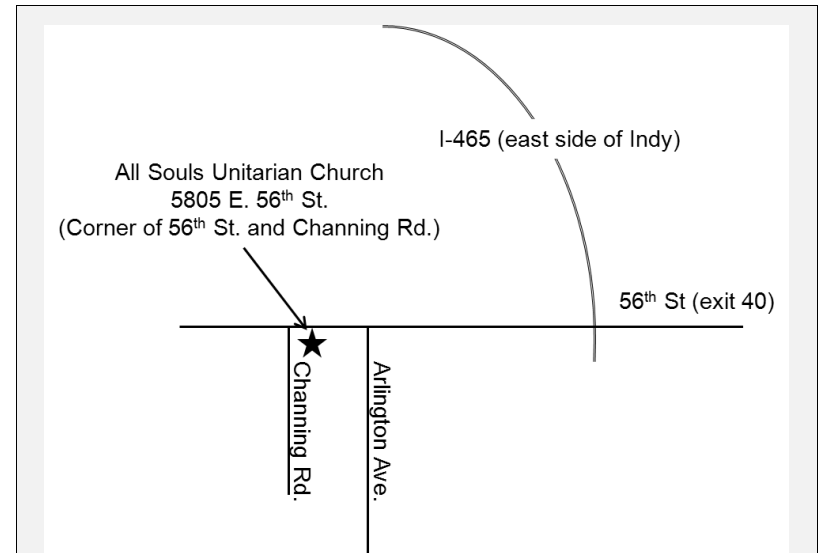
Dr. Alan Dale Schmidt, Treasurer

Balance Sheet (as of 2/20/2012)

Cash and Bank Accounts	2/20/2012	1/24/2012
Mensa – Checking	\$10,095.97	\$10,310.07
Vanguard Mensa (as of 9/30/11)	\$3,737.42	\$3,737.42
Total Cash and Bank Accounts	\$13,833.39	\$14,047.49
Other Assets		
Regional Gathering Account (as of 11-11-11)	\$7,290.96	\$7,290.96
Bradford Place Deposit	\$15.00	\$15.00
Total Assets	\$21,139.35	\$21,353.45

Profit & Loss Statement (1/24/2012 to 2/20/2012)

Income	Date	Amount
American Mensa 560x.82 \$3new 1corp8reins	2/17/2012	\$470.85
Dividend Income from Sept, 30, 2011	N/A	
February Monthly Gathering (no charge)	2/10/2012	\$0.00
Scholarships		
Total Scholarship fund \$282.00		
Total Income		\$470.85
Expenses		
Jan Doyle – MindBending food	1/24/2012	\$64.34
Teresa Gregory – monthly food 134.81, \$9 stamps		\$143.81
Karen Zwick soda		\$25.55
Minuteman Press (250 MINDs for Feb.)	1/24/2012	\$156.25
All Souls Unitarian Church for Feb. March monthly meeting		\$70.00
Post Office stamps Alan Schmidt	1/24/2012	\$225.00
Total Expenses		\$684.95



This Month's Meeting 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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