



Mensa Newsletter
Of Central Indiana

“Breakfast” After the Monthly Gathering

There usually are a few people who want to continue the party after the Monthly Gathering. In May, they were joined by our program speaker, Dr Rob Pyatt. Also joining the group was visiting Mensan, Ted Harkey, from Mississippi. (This photo was taken after 1:00 a.m.).



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Old Dog/New Tricks

Teresa Gregory, Editor

Last month, I wrote my column while watching it snow. As I write this, the weatherman just said we set a new record today when we hit 90 degrees. Something tells me this won't be the last 90-degree day this year. Yikes!

Please check the information in this issue regarding the upcoming elections. This will be the first since we approved the new bylaws so there are some changes. We have a slate of candidates, but there is still time for write-ins if you are interested in running.



Speaking of elections, I want to congratulate our friend and former RVC4, George Haynes, who is the new LocSec of St Louis Area Mensa. SLAM is in good hands.

I've been thinking about life after the AG. Jan and I were already working on the AG when I retired, so I have yet to truly "experience" retirement. One thing I really want to do is travel, but not necessarily to the typical tourist places. I also want to learn photography. I bought myself a serious camera when I retired. It intimidates me. I bought a couple of books, but they have only intimidated me more. My dream is to be able to take great pictures at night.

I've started a notebook of travel tips, and I'm studying train routes. Now to decide where I want to go. I like to ask people where is the most beautiful place they have ever been. Where is the most unusual place? Where would you go back to again? I'm open to suggestions. I know we have some seasoned travelers out there. Help me out!

Speaking of traveling, my son came to visit last month for a few days. His return flight left at 4:55pm. We missed it. It was a case of thinking we had more time than we did. He said he was running through the concourse and got to the jetway to find the door closed. United Airlines took care of him and got him on a flight an hour later. I guess I just didn't want to see him go so soon. It was good to see him, but it was a short visit.

Just a few more weeks until the first day of Summer. Enjoy!

LocSection

Jan Pfeil Doyle



The Annual Gathering Is

Almost Here! – I hope all of you will take advantage of Mensa’s national convention being held in Indianapolis from July 4-8. If you can’t attend the entire event, pick a day and come then! The AG

won’t be this close again for a long time, if ever.

Next year, it’s in Phoenix, followed by Kansas City, and then Houston. The full schedule of events and

speakers will be online at <http://ag.us.mensa.org/pages/programming/sessions/>.



Your registration includes speakers (6+ concurrent tracks from 9 am – 9 pm); 24-hr games; tournaments; SIG M&Gs (Special Interest Group Meet and Greets); breakfast and lunch most days; and snacks, soft drinks, and beer and wine in hospitality. You won’t find a better deal anywhere! Find out more about AGs in general at <https://ag.us.mensa.org/pages/faq/>. You can register at <http://ag.us.mensa.org> or call the national office at 1-800-66-MENSA. The member rate for all five days is \$229 until June 15th, then \$259 at the door. The member day rate is \$86 for adults and \$53 for ages 4-20. Hotel reservations (\$134 to \$154 + tax) are through the AG website or by calling 866-704-6162; reference American Mensa Annual Gathering. If you’re on Facebook, keep up to date at the AG event page: www.facebook.com/events/234054937121565/ (or search for Mensa Annual Gathering 2018). See an article elsewhere in *MIND* about volunteering at the AG.

It’s Election Time, cont. – Central Indiana Mensa’s biennial election will be held in September. The nominating committee has come up with its slate for the ExCom, but you can still run by petition. Details on both are elsewhere in this issue of *MIND*. Many thanks to the Nominating Committee Chair **Barbara George** and her committee members **Karen Steilberger** and **Leo Doyle** for their hard work. Thanks also to Election Committee Chair **Marcele Everest** and her committee who take over from here through voting in September.

Mensa Admission Testing for 2018

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

Month	Date	Start Time	General Location
June	Saturday, June 16, 2018	12:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side
July** (See Pg 7)	Wednesday, July 4, 2018	4:00 P.M.	Annual Gathering at JW Marriott, Indpls, IN
	Saturday, July 7, 2018	9:00 A.M.	
September	Saturday, September 15, 2018	12:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side
October	Sunday, October 7, 2018	1:00 P.M.	Carmel, IN
October	Saturday, October 20, 2018	12:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side
November	Saturday, November 10, 2018	12:00 P.M.	Indianapolis south side

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

No smoking, calculators, or scratch paper are allowed. Candidates are permitted to take each of the two tests comprising the Mensa Admissions Test battery only

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once in their lives. Candidates who qualify on either test will be invited to become a member. Please bring a photo ID and one or two #2 pencils. I also have plenty of extras.

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

Karen Zwick

Testing Coordinator – Central Indiana Mensa

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**** Mensa Testing at the Indianapolis AG**

We are offering testing at the Annual Gathering in Indianapolis. If you know someone who should be in Mensa, and they are within driving distance, don't let them miss this opportunity.

The usual testing fee is \$60, but only at the AG, the fee has been slashed to not \$50, not \$40, but \$30! Yes, that's right. It's half-price.

But, wait! There's more! Anyone who takes the test is also invited to attend the AG for a day. That's an additional savings of \$96.

Two tests will be given:

- Wednesday, July 4, 4:00pm registration/4:30 test.
- Saturday, July 7, 9:00am registration/9:30am test.

Anyone testing on Wednesday may choose which full day to attend. Those who test on Saturday may stay the rest of the day.

If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Gregory at

ag18tg@yahoo.com.



Petra's Funny Page

Petra Ritchie



- 1 - When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- 2 - A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- 3 - When the fog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.
- 4 - When you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.
- 5 - A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.

Have some clever puns to contribute?

Email: petraritchie@msn.com

Rules & Regulations for the 2018 Election of the Executive Committee of CIM

An election is held each even numbered year so the term of each Executive Committee (ExCom) is two years.

The following is verbatim from CIM's Bylaws:

V.5 The names of the nominees for the final ballot shall be submitted to the Editor no later than the submission deadline for the August newsletter. Ballots shall contain the names of all nominated candidates in random order, whether nominated by the Nominating Committee or by petition. Ballots shall be printed in the August issue of the newsletter including in the electronic version of the newsletter if such is available, or mailed by post or electronically to all members of the local group, but in any case posted no later than August 1st. Ballots may be returned to the Election Committee chair by mail, electronically if such option is available, or in person; but all members must be allowed to participate by postal mail at all stages of the election process if they so choose. Ballots must be received by the Election Committee chair no later than the date of the September Monthly Gathering to be valid; in the event that there is no September Monthly Gathering, ballots must be received by September 15th to be valid. The Election Committee shall meet in public at the September Monthly Gathering to count the ballots; in the event that there is no September Monthly Gathering, the Election Committee shall meet in public no later than September 30th to count the ballots. If a voter does not follow the rules for submitting ballots in such a way as to compromise confidentiality, but the ballot is otherwise acceptable, the ballot shall be accepted and the voter shall be deemed to have waived confidentiality. A plurality of valid votes cast for each ExCom position shall constitute election. Votes that are tied shall be determined by the Election Committee chair by a flip of a coin. The Election Committee chair shall certify the results of the election to the LocSec and shall have the election results published in the next feasible issue of the newsletter. The Election Committee chair shall preserve the ballots for inspection by any member of CIM until January 1st following the election.

V.7 Any challenges to the election must be made in writing to the Election Committee chair and received by October 15th following the election. Any such challenges must be ruled on by October 31st following the election. Any actions by the ExCom while a challenge is pending are not affected by the outcome of any such challenge.

Election Committee chair, Marcele Everest, 765-221-9477,
meebusn@gmail.com

CIM Nominating Committee Report

As your Central IN MENSA Nominating Committee, we have verified the following Candidates for the upcoming Executive Committee Election:

Jon Applegate
Ethan Blocher-Smith
Matt Brennan
Jan Pfeil Doyle,
Teresa Gregory, LocSec
Ann Hake
Jae Kim
Pat Milligan
Karen Wilczewski
Kurt Williams
Bob Zdanky

The Ballots will be published in the August MIND. All members wishing to be petition candidates on the Ballot, who meet the requirements and whose petitions have been received by July 1, will be listed on the Ballot.

Our thanks to all who have agreed to submit their names, and considered same, and are offering to take leadership roles for the upcoming term.

Barbara George (Chair), Leo Doyle, and Karen Steilberger

Petition Candidates for Central Indiana Mensa's Executive Committee

If you look at the slate of candidates for being a voting member of the Executive Committee (ExCom) in this issue of MIND and decide you also wish to be a candidate, here are the rules and regulations as listed in our Bylaws.

- To be a candidate you must be a current member in good standing of Central Indiana Mensa.
- No member of the current Nominating or Election Committees may be a candidate in the upcoming election.
- To the slate of candidates presented by the Nominating Committee, additional nominations may be made by a petition signed by ten (10) current members [please have both signatures and printed names] of the local group and delivered to the Election committee chair by July 1, 2018.

If you have questions or want to submit a petition, you may reach the chair of the Election Committee, Marcele Everest, by phone 765-221-9477 or email at meebusn@gmail.com.



New Members

Roberta Davies	Bolton	ABD (UK)	Move In
Ken Koziol	Greenwood	IN	Joined
Lisa Lewis	Shelbyville	IN	Joined
Matthew Zwick	Indianapolis	IN	Joined



2018-19 Book Group Reading List

Rich Gibson

Here is the list of books to read for the CIM Book Group. It meets in Sunday afternoons once a month. Check the calendar for exact dates. Call or email Rich Gibson if you have any question or for directions.

Jun 17: *Why We Sleep* by Matthew Walker

Jul 22: *Evolution of Beauty* by Richard Prum

Aug 19: Lewis and Clark. Read one of these (or another book on the topic) and come prepared to discuss it!

- *From Sea to Shining Sea*, by James Alexander Thom
- *Undaunted Courage* by Stephen Ambrose
- *The Journals of Lewis and Clark*

Sep 23: *Without You There Is No Us* by Suki Kim

Oct 28: *Reality is Not What It Seems* by Carlo Rovelli

Nov 18: *Venomous* by Christie Wilcox

Dec 16: *Dialogues: Conversations on the Nature of the Universe* by Clifford Johnson

Jan 20, 2019: *Hidden Life of Trees* by Hans Wohlleben

Feb 17: *I Was Told to Come Alone* by Souad Mekhennet

Mar 17: *The Year of Lear* by James Shapiro

Apr 21: *Why Zebras Don't Get Ulcers* by Robert Sapolsky

June 2018 Events

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

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

Monthly Gathering - 2nd Friday, 7 p.m. – 11 p.m. **All Souls Unitarian Church, 5805 E. 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46226.** See last page of *MIND* for map and directions. NOTE NEW FEE: **Members: \$7.00, Non-Members: \$10.00; Children 6-18: \$5.00, under 6: free.**

6/8 – Our speaker is new member Matt Zwick who will talk about cryptocurrency.

STEM Time with George Dunn (formerly **10 Minutes of Math and Science**) following the speaker. **6/8** – Statistics and Coincidence

Mensa Admissions Test - Saturday, **6/16**, 12 noon. registration. Testing will be conducted on the Indianapolis south side. Contact: Karen Zwick at: karen.zwick@outlook.com to reserve a space. The exact location will be provided when a candidate reserves a space.

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

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June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
3	4	5	6 Indy Lunch Bunch
10	11	12	13
17 Mensans Dining Out; Book Club; Father's Day	18	19 <i>MIND</i> bending/ ExCom; Paducah Area Group Meeting	20 Indy Lunch Bunch
24	25 Memorial Day	26	27

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5 Ham 'n' Eggs; Cal. Deadline
7	8 Monthly Gathering	9
14	15	16 Mensa Admission Test
21 Summer Solstice	22	23
28	29	30 Pack your bags for the AG!

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

June 2018 Events (cont.)

MINDBending/ExCom – 3rd Tuesday of the month.

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

6/19, 5:30 p.m. Contact: Jan Pfeil Doyle, 317-431-3500. Pizza and soft drinks provided.

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

Keystone	54 th St	★	Tacoma Ave	for the
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	52 nd St		Internet,	northeast

A Big Thank You to all the May *MIND*benders and Midwest Internet for hosting the event.

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

Anyone in the area is welcome to join fellow Mensans for dinner. For location and more information on this group, contact Charles Rawlings, rawlings@siu.edu

Book Group – 2 p.m., Sunday, **6/17**. We will discuss *Why We Sleep* by Matthew Walker. The group will meet at Rich and Jackie Gibson's house on the NE side of Indianapolis. Please contact Rich at hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com or 317-735-2895 for more details or to RSVP.

Mensans Dining Out - 3rd Sunday, 6 p.m., **6/17**. Nawabi Hyderabad House, 8440 N. Michigan Road, #105, Indianapolis, IN. For more information, contact Bob Zdanky at 317-219-3773.

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

July 2018 *MIND* calendar items due 6/2/18 to: biltmore@topdogcom.com.

Jon's Journal – News for Region 4

By Jon Gruebele, RVC4

The “Problem” Member

If you’ve attended Mensa events or are active on social media, you have assuredly met many friendly, interesting people who are a joy to be around. Unfortunately, you may have also encountered a problem member. If that happened, you quickly discovered that “playing well with others” isn’t among the prerequisites to join Mensa.



Problems can run the gamut from mildly annoying to very dangerous. Someone may simply not have showered recently. They could troll you online. They could engage in sexual harassment or make threats. There’s lots of ways to be a problem. Sometimes, problems are subjective. The member annoying you with their political opinion could be perceived very differently by another member.

The effects of the problem member are very real. People may stop coming to events or not renew their memberships. Regularly scheduled events have been canceled or taken off the Mensa calendar and held privately. People may feel intimidated or threatened. None of that is good.

Mensa does have dispute resolution procedures; however, they are seldom invoked. (See <https://www.us.mensa.org/lead/policydocuments/grievance-policies/grievance-documents/>.) Since American Mensa was founded, only seven members have been expelled, although other less severe sanctions have also been imposed.

Our procedures don’t deal with domestic disputes, property damage, or other civil or criminal matters. These should be adjudicated in the courts or elsewhere. Our procedures handle “acts inimical”, defined as: “deliberate acts that are harmful to, or result in harm to, Mensa”. Included as examples in our Actions Still in Effect (ASIEs) Section 12 are activities that:

- Endanger the well-being of others or result in property damage
- Threaten or intimidate volunteers involved in the authorized activities of Mensa

To resolve an issue, our procedures recommend first dealing directly with the involved member. If you don’t like something that’s happening, speak up. I know that’s hard. American culture prizes being “nice”, and confrontations aren’t perceived that way. It may be easier to avoid problems by canceling events, but that hurts everyone. The individual may not even be aware the behavior is offensive. By addressing the issue yourself, you may achieve a better outcome than something adjudicated by others. You may also enlist the

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assistance of the event's host who (per our ASIEs) has the responsibility and duty to attempt to control an offending party. That includes asking the member to leave if necessary.

The next step might be to request the assistance of the Ombudsman who can help mediate disputes. Other resources could include your Local Group's Board, moderators of online communities, and of course I can always assist. Beyond that, we have a formal hearings process that allows both parties to present their positions.

Membership surveys often cite problem members as a top concern. Let's work together to address this ongoing challenge.

As always, I welcome your feedback. Please contact me at rvc4@us.mensa.org, via phone or text at +1 309 693 1359. Region 4's Facebook group is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/695847670490858>.



Books On The Runway

Margy Lancet Fletcher

Title: *Kill Abby White! Now!*

Author: C. B. Huesing

Publisher: Dog Ear Publishing

Year: 2017

Book Description: This engrossing suspense thriller by Hoosier author C. B. Huesing follows the perils and personal triumphs of the Wildcats, a tight-knit group of college interns at the *Chicago Tribune*. When the students gather at a local speakeasy and concoct an audacious plan to make journalistic history by infiltrating the Chicago mafia, they commence a private battle with both underworld and state-sponsored criminals that continues after the surviving interns graduate and their career paths diverge. Huesing effectively blends fiction and history as Abby, her college cohorts, and their families struggle with the ensuing collapse of the world economy, the rise of fascism, and the outbreak of World War II. Abby White, as the book's title implies, is targeted successively by two evil regimes as she secures dual positions as foreign correspondent in Berlin and spy for the U. S. State Department. The lives of fellow Wildcats Dan O'Gara and Esther Frankel are no less precarious: Dan provokes the furor of Adolph Hitler's SS when he becomes a double agent for Britain's MI6; and Esther, a Jewish journalist, is forced to help defend her

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family against Nazi oppression and violence. The rapid-paced plot navigates many unexpected twists, turns, and barriers up to the breathtaking conclusion, in which the reader is assured that virtue has overcome iniquity - at least, in this instance. As an additional element of verisimilitude, the author has appended an epilogue containing a brief afterword on each of the major fictional and historical personalities.

Has this book changed the way you think, your attitude toward life, or even your life itself? If so, how? I found this book an enjoyable and much-needed escape from reality. The reading task was rendered all the more pleasant by the author's straightforward style (as exemplified in the excerpt below): rather than bog down his prose with excruciatingly lurid details, he lets the dialogue drive the narrative, thereby imparting a world history lesson from a personal perspective.

Who should definitely read this book? Why? Readers who, like myself, need an occasional mystery/suspense fix will luxuriate in this first-rate, action-packed tale of intrigue and heroism.

How long might it take to read this book? This spellbinding page-turner can be finished in a mere one to two days. Ah, if only all of the world's wickedness could be vanquished in so brief a time!

Provide a short characteristic section, an awesome sentence, or an inspiring quote: Sometime during the night she awoke, struggling to breathe. Something heavy was pressing down on her face. *It's a pillow.* She tried to raise her arms to pull it off, but couldn't. There was a heavy weight on her body. *Someone is sitting on me!* She was beginning to lose consciousness when her hand felt the cord to her call button. She pressed it frantically. A bell rang in the hallway. Seconds passed, and Abby stopped breathing. She didn't feel the weight come off her body as someone rolled off her bed and moved quickly through the door.

The night nurse heard the bell and saw the red light for Abby's room. Moving swiftly around the corner, she started running when she saw a figure fleeing through the exit door at the end of the hall. As she turned into Abby's room, she let out a yell, pulling the pillow off the patient's face. She pulled the emergency alarm cord and began giving Abby mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. The night physician ran in with another nurse, and together they managed to get Abby breathing again.

"Where's the policeman who's supposed to be on guard?" the night nurse asked as they reattached the dangling intravenous tubes. Just then, the policeman came into the room.

"What happened?"

"Where were you?"

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“Had to go to the bathroom. Only gone for a minute.”

“Well, it was time enough for someone to try to smother this woman with a pillow and pull out all of her tubes.”

The doctor examined Abby thoroughly, then turned to the nurses.

“Bruises on her arms. Somebody must have used his knees to hold her down.” He paused and looked at the nurses. “Her responses seem normal. I don’t think she was without oxygen long enough to cause brain damage. Her heart rate is back to near normal. We’ll have to watch her closely the next forty-eight hours. The wounds on her side and back need to be bandaged again. They were reopened in the struggle.”

He shook his head. “This young woman has had terrible things happen to her in the last few days. I’m calling that detective again. This is attempted murder.”

Though Abby was semi-conscious, she heard the essence of what was said. *Someone is trying to kill me - again! How can this be happening to me?*

Additional Remarks: I would like to encourage and publicize good local writers whenever possible through my monthly MIND book reviews. To that end, I am including the following Dog Ear Publishing mission statement: “Dog Ear Publishing partners with authors to shape content that resonates with readers as diverse as the books we publish. Our mission is to leverage expertise, technology and relationships to form a meaningful and lasting bond between creators, content and culture as a whole. Dog Ear Publishing is headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, and can be contacted by phone at (317) 228-3656 or through our website, www.dogearpublishing.net.” *Kill Abby White! Now!* is also available at Ingram, Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble, and other fine bookstores everywhere (per a Zionsville, IN, press release). Once again, my thanks to Alison Brown for offering this book for my delectation. And, Mr. Huesing, please keep up the excellent work!



Want to Carpool to the AG?

If you’re local and will be attending the AG on one or more days, you might want to carpool with other attendees. Downtown parking can be expensive--you can see some parking options at ag.us.mensa.org/pages/essentials/event-parking/. **Larry Marcus** (larryamarcus@yahoo.com) has volunteered to organize those who’d like to share rides from the NE side/Fishers area. If you’ll be driving from another side of town and would like to organize a ride share, please let Teresa or Jan know.

Volunteer to Help at the Annual Gathering!

An AG is run in large part by members who volunteer while attending the AG (and those of us who volunteer ahead of time ☺). There are many ways to get involved and have fun with fellow attendees from around the country while you're helping the convention run smoothly. You can sign up at for one or more 2-hour shifts at <http://aml.ivolunteer.com/annualgathering2018>.

Following are some positions where we'll need a lot of volunteers but check out all the positions when you go to the website.

- Welcome/Information Desk - Volunteers will have information about local restaurants, things to do, places to visit, where things are in the hotel, etc. This is a prime opportunity for local members to show off their city.
- Speaker Shepherd - Meet a speaker you choose in the Green Room before their talk. Escort him/her to their room and introduce them if they want you to.
- Green Room Host - Hosts will welcome speakers to the AG. Explain that their shepherd will be meeting them there about 30 min before their talk.
- Hospitality Greeter - Circulate around Hospitality welcoming people to the AG; ask if they have any questions. Can sit part of the time at a designated Welcome Table.
- Hospitality Door Monitor - Check that everyone entering Hospitality has a valid badge and that closed doors stay closed.
- Registration - Duties consist of sitting and some standing at Registration Desk, handing out packets and badge holders.



Central Indiana Mensa ExCom 3/20/18

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Indiana Mensa ExCom was held at Midwest Internet on Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

LocSec Jan Pfeil Doyle called the meeting to order at 6:54 pm. Members present were Jon Applegate, Jan Pfeil Doyle, Diane O'Brien, Ethan Blocher-Smith, Karen Wilczewski, Kurt Williams, Bob Zdanky, and Karen Zwick.

Absent: Ann Hake.

Guests: Teresa Gregory, Loretta Levene, Petra Ritchie.

The committee reviewed the minutes of the Feb 2018 ExCom meeting. Karen Wilczewski moved that the minutes be accepted. Diane O'Brien seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

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The committee reviewed the Treasurer's report for February 2018. Ethan Blocher-Smith moved that the Treasurer's reports be accepted as presented. Kurt Williams seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

A membership report was compiled by Jan Pfeil Doyle based upon the information available as of 2/28/2018 from American Mensa (1 months data): 526 members, 3 rejoins, 3 move ins, 4 move outs, and 10 prospects.

Old Business

The catacombs tour was postponed due to a conflict with St. Patrick's Day celebrations.

New Business

ExCom elections will take place this year. According to our By-Laws, we need to select both a Nominating Committee and Election Committee.

Jan Doyle presented a suggested Nominating Committee of Barb George serving as the committee chair with Karen Steilberger and Leo Doyle serving as the other two members of the committee. Karen Wilczewski moved that this committee be accepted as presented. Jon Applegate seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Jan Doyle presented a suggested Election Committee of Marcelle Everest serving as committee chair with Teresa Gregory and Alison Brown serving as the other two members of the committee. Jon Applegate moved that this committee be accepted as presented. Kurt Williams seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Jan Doyle led a discussion of whether the ExCom should have seven (7) or nine (9) members for the next two years. Kurt Williams moved that the ExCom consist of seven members for the next two years. Karen Zwick seconded the motion, and the motion was carried. As in the past, we recommend that ExCom candidates submit a written statement by July 1, 2018 and/or make an oral presentation at the August Monthly Gathering.

We will explore options for remote electronic participation in future ExCom meetings for purposes of inclusion.

There being no other business, Karen Zwick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Karen Wilczewski seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Zwick, Treasurer (substituting as Secretary)

Treasurer's Reports

Karen Zwick, Treasurer

Balance Sheet (as of 04/16/2018)

Bank Accounts	03/19/2018	04/16/2018
Checking – Regular	\$4,464.94	\$4,023.58
Checking – Scholarship	386.50	386.50
Checking – Youth Membership	69.34	69.34
Checking – RG/OG Fund	9,575.23	9,575.23
Checking – Youth Activity Fund	464.40	464.40
Total Assets	\$14,960.41	\$14,519.05

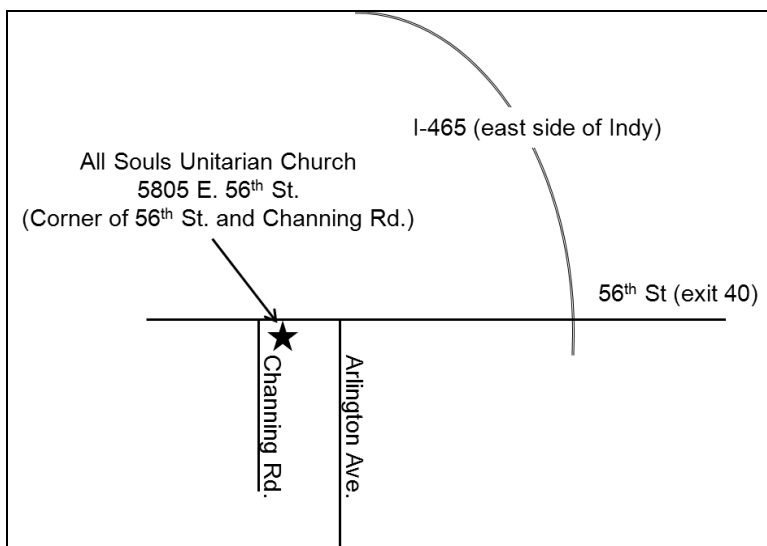
Profit & Loss Statement (03/20/2018 – 04/16/2018)

Income		
	401.1 – Monthly Gathering Inc. (April)	104.00
Total Income		104.00
Expense		
	501.1– MG Hospitality	43.14
	505 – Food for ExCom/MINDbending – 2 months	146.07
	505.1 – MIND Printing	305.80
	510.1 – New Member Dinners	24.00
	510.2 – New Member Mailing Supplies	28.35
Total Expenses		\$545.36

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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