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A Word to the Wise

-by John Neemidge, President

Spring Forward With LSM

It's the start of a new Mensa year, and spring by the more traditional calendar. We've got lots going on this month — many ways to enjoy your Mensa membership and also help out your group. LSM is currently at its largest membership ever (484 members on the February 28th roster, with one more month of growth before we lose members who didn't renew), and there are so many people to meet and things to do.

First of all — if your membership expired in 2003, you should've already renewed. If you haven't, this will be your last Armadillo Literary Gazette, at least until you do renew. If you contact National quickly, you'll still receive a May 'Dillo; otherwise, you'll miss at least one issue. Also, if you haven't renewed by the end of March, you won't be eligible to vote in the American Mensa elections — but if you have, I hope you'll take the time to vote. We have a contested race for Regional Vice Chair (RVC) in our region; there are also many contested national offices. There is an award to the scholarship fund of the group with the highest percentage of members voting — I'd love to see LSM win!

If you're not going to Mind Games (sign-up deadline was March 31st, so if you're reading this, it's probably too late), the Monthly Meeting is the 12th — and I'm regretting being unable to attend myself, as the topic is very interesting. I enjoyed model rocketry when I was growing up, and I'd hate to see it become a thing of the past.

Besides the Monthly Meeting (or Mind Games), we've got a busy month. Our first LSM picnic of the year will be on the 5th, and should be lots of fun. Games Night will be the 26th, and Geri and I will of course be bringing a few games from Mind Games. There's also Waco Area Mensa, and of course TGIT is a lot of fun every week. Hopefully we'll see you at a few of these events!

We're still looking for Program Committee volunteers. The Program Committee finds speakers for Monthly Meetings, and works with the speaker on meeting arrangements. If you're interested, please let me know. It's also not too early at all to think about the LSM elections — several ExComm offices will be open next year (including President), and we'll need people to take on these responsibilities.

We'll have even more going on in May — and besides

LSM events, please consider going to Gulf Coast Mensa's Regional Gathering, SynRG, which will be in Houston over Memorial Day weekend (see the ad in this issue). We'll be there, and previous SynRG's have been lots of fun. Of course, it's also not too early to start making plans for our own Regional Gathering, LonestaRG V, which will be held in Austin over Labor Day weekend. I'm looking forward to seeing you this month, or sometime soon. Come join us and spring forward with Lonesta Mensa!



Howdy To!

-submitted by Geri Neemidge, Membership Chair

Erika Walsted

Erika is 27 years old and married with no children. She and her husband, Tim, have an Australian shepherd mix named Mollie. Erika is an executive assistant at BMC Software. She's been in Texas for six years, having moved here from her home state of Florida. Her hobbies include working on her computer, shopping and going to the movies.

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March ExComm Meeting Minutes

-submitted by Geri Neemidge, Membership Chair

March 8, 2003

Attending: John Neemidge, President, Geri Neemidge, Membership Chair, Mark Kres, Member at Large, Helen Siders, Member at Large.

John convened the meeting at 10:15.

We discussed holding a holiday party this December. If we want to use the Zilker Club House we should get our bid in by the end of May. If we decide to bid we will ask for Saturday December 13th as our first choice and Sunday December 14th as our second choice. At last year's party Walter Stewart mentioned that we might be able to use a lodge owned by a group he belongs to in Pflugerville. We may be able to use the lodge for a lower fee than the Zilker Club House (\$300), but Pflugerville would not be as central a location. We decided that John should talk to Walter about this and plan to visit the lodge. If the location is easy to find and drive to - then it may be acceptable even to members driving from South Austin.

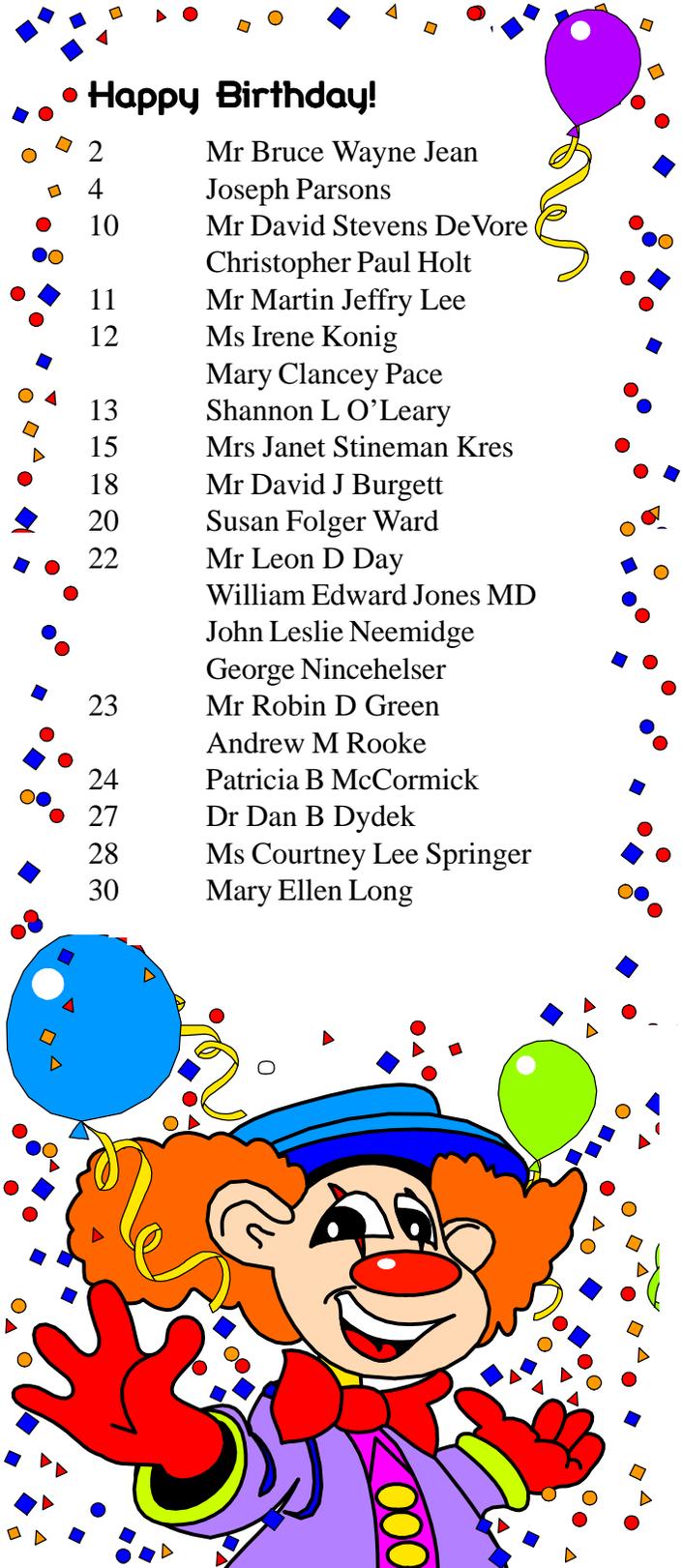
We also discussed Gulf Coast Mensa's upcoming events - Mind Games and SynRG. Mind Games registration ends March 31st. We've put one notice on the announce list - we may want to put another one. We can also mention it on the web site. Geri will ask the SynRG chairs to send Rachael an ad for SynRG to run in the April newsletter. Geri will also add a link to SynRG's web page from the LSM page.

We discussed advertising LonestarRG at Mind Games and SynRG. We usually do not advertise much before SynRG - but this year we will want to take registration forms to Mind Games. We also talked about offering online registration via PayPal. Some RGs have started to do this. There is a small cost involved - probably about \$2 per registration. The discussions that Geri has seen on the subject are that more people preregister with this option. It is easier for people to just register from the web site than to get an envelope and stamp and write a check. Geri will look into this option in more detail.

Helen wondered if the colored mailing tabs were helpful. The consensus is that they are easier to use and they cost less money. The color is also somewhat eye catching. Helen also said that the Post Office did not like the way our mailing statement is on the newsletter. The "Send Change of Address" notice is on the back (where the mailing label is) but the other publication information is

on page 2. The 'dillo has been printed like this for years (and other Mensa newsletters follow this format as well) - but if it is incorrect we'll have to change it. We need to find out what the latest iteration of the rule actually says.

John adjourned the meeting at 10:50.



Happy Birthday!

2	Mr Bruce Wayne Jean
4	Joseph Parsons
10	Mr David Stevens DeVore
	Christopher Paul Holt
11	Mr Martin Jeffrey Lee
12	Ms Irene Konig
	Mary Clancey Pace
13	Shannon L O'Leary
15	Mrs Janet Stineman Kres
18	Mr David J Burgett
20	Susan Folger Ward
22	Mr Leon D Day
	William Edward Jones MD
	John Leslie Neemidge
	George Nincehelter
23	Mr Robin D Green
	Andrew M Rooke
24	Patricia B McCormick
27	Dr Dan B Dydek
28	Ms Courtney Lee Springer
30	Mary Ellen Long

Raising the Boom

-by Barbara Bartlett

Cat people marry dog people. It does seem to be a fact of life, doesn't it? As I said last month, I am a life-long cat lover, and when Joe and I married, he had never had a cat. At the time I had a huge tomcat with enough Siamese in him to have both piercing blue eyes and a piercing yowl. Kitty Beauregard was accustomed to sleeping on the other pillow on the bed—right next to my head. When Joe began to occupy that place, Beau didn't take it too well. Joe still claims to be traumatized by waking up to a loud yowl, unable to breathe with blue eyes staring him down. Eventually, he realized it was Beau sitting on his chest and voicing his opinion—but for a minute there he thought it was the end of the world!

Joe and Beau eventually became fast friends, and he and I both mourned the cat's passing on to Kitty Heaven. Periodically, Joe would suggest that we get a dog, but somehow the time was never right. Finally, we bought a house and hired a contractor to do some renovations before we moved in. Every time I checked, there was a scroungy little dog hanging around the work crew; I just supposed she belonged to one of them. However, there came a day when the workmen were gone, and the little dog was still there. I asked around the neighborhood, and everyone said she had been staying at "our house"—they assumed she belonged to us!

We checked this dog out, and she was no prize. You couldn't call her "pretty" by any stretch of the imagination. Cute—maybe, but only if you are of the "so ugly she's cute" school of thought. And she snorts. Yes, snorts! The best I can explain this phenomena is to tell you that we named her "Earnestine". Probably only the baby boomer readers will chuckle as they remember Lily Tomlin's "one ringy-dingy" character and cross that memory with an ugly duckling dog. However, before I leave you with a completely negative image of this adopted member of our family, I must tell you that her personality is what tips the balance for her. When we finally gave in and opened the gate to the backyard, she trotted in like she owned the place and would graciously allow us to live here, too.

Joe's heart seemed to be at peace. He had been a dog-handler in Viet Nam,

and he once more had a dog to handle. Earnestine loves us, but she has steadfastly refused to learn even one command, and she resists all efforts to be "handled". This pooch won't even tolerate a leash, and cowers in a corner of the patio if we open the gate. She really doesn't want to be back out there in the cold, cruel world. It does appear

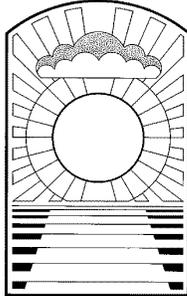


that she has had a hard life, if not been the victim of outright abuse. Since that fateful day that we took in Earnestine, we have adopted another abused dog to keep her company, and even I—the cat person—must admit that Mr. BoJangles is a beautiful and intelligent

animal.

So, at our house, the dogs live outside (who would want a snorting Earnestine in the house?), and the cats reign supreme inside. I would call it a peaceful co-existence if it weren't for the cats' habit of sitting at the patio door—grooming—sunning—basically tormenting the dogs! However, the dog-handler and the cat lover are getting along pretty well!





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Walter's World

-by Walter Stewart

Ah, the joys of spring: the time when a young man's fancies turn to home improvement. One improvement best suited for this time of year is concrete.

Concrete is a wonderful substance that can be cast in a variety of shapes. It may be colored, painted, stained, and inscribed with patterns. It is extremely durable and if properly done will last a millennia.

The most popular concrete projects are patios, sidewalks, and small slabs for garden sheds. Since they are all similar, I'll use an 8'x8' patio for the example.

Before we begin, let me start with some important considerations for concrete.

1. Make sure of your location. Once it has cured concrete is literally 'set in stone'!
2. Thickness. Non-structural projects (such as walkways and small patios) should be approximately 4" thick. Load-bearing projects (foundations, driveways) need to be 6" thick or more depending on the weight involved.
3. Reinforcement. This is what keeps the unit together. Popular methods include rebar and wire mesh. For most applications, I prefer to use 3/8" rebar set in a grid 16" apart and tied at all intersections. This is excessive for most applications, but rebar is cheap.
4. Concrete volume. Is it a 'bag job'? One 80 lb. bag will create approximately 2/3 cu.ft. of concrete. A cubic yard is equal to 45 80 lb. bags of concrete. It takes about 5 minutes to mix 2 bags. Of course there are jobs where you just can't get a truck in. Keep in mind that each cubic yard will cost approximately \$75 plus a site delivery charge of \$50-\$75.
5. Finish. For a nice finish, use 'sand mix'. It is concrete without the aggregate. Just a half inch on the top or so is needed – one bag can cover 16 sq. ft.

Thus, for a 8'x8' patio, we will need 22 cu. ft. of concrete (37 bags 80 lb. Quickrete), 3 bags 80 lb. sand mix, twelve 7' 3/8 rebar segments, 42 rebar ties, five 8' 2x4s, 10 rebar 'chairs', and about thirteen 12" grade stakes. Total cost:

approximately \$125.00

Concrete can be worked with some very cheap and simple tools. For this size job, you should have the following: mixer (can be rented for approximately \$60/day), hammer, level (bigger is better, a 5' one is great), concrete float, edging tool, broom, shovel and rebar tie tool.

Start by selecting the location for your slab. Nail the 2x4s together to form a square (the form). At this point you will probably realize that the ground where you want to put the slab is not level. If possible, dig down the offending area. If you can't, that means the rest of the

form will be higher and more concrete will be required. Remove grass from the inside of the form. Square the form by using a tape measure and the 3x4x5 triangle rule on two opposing corners. Pound the stakes firmly into the ground approximately every 3 feet or so around the form so that they are firmly against the sides of the form.

Select the 'reference' corner. Nail the stake at that point to the form. Place the level on the top of that leg of the form and nail the next corner stake to the form when level. Repeat on all four legs of the form. When this is completed, you will probably have a few places where you see gaps under the edges of the form. Place the excavated sod, dirt or gravel on the outside edges of the form to

prevent the concrete from flowing out underneath it.

Place the rebar in the form so that a checkerboard is created. Using the rebar ties and tie tool, connect the rebar at all intersections. Place rebar chairs under the grid so that the rebar grid will be in the center of the concrete mass. Note: bricks and rocks may be substituted for the chairs.

At this time, you can save yourself a bit of money by tossing any loose bricks, stones and rocks you may have in your yard into the form. This will cut down on the volume of concrete required and also get rid of them!

Mix the concrete with water until it reaches the consistency of fresh cow dung. Dump into the form. Use the shovel



to spread it around taking care not to mess up the rebar grid. Keep the level of the concrete about ¼” below the top edge of the form. Repeat until form is full. Use the fifth 2x4 to check the level of the concrete by drawing it across the top of the form. (In concrete terms, the 2x4 is known as a screed). Fill the final ¼” with sand mix.

Take the float and use it to smooth the surface of the slab. A slight up and down motion into the concrete will cause the aggregate to ‘sink’ and excess water to “float up”. Add sand mix to areas with excessive water float to make surface level. Reapply the screed as required to check level. Note: ‘sawing’ the screed back and forth as you move it across (requires second person) makes it easier to move and also helps fill in low spots!

When you are satisfied with the surface, lightly drag the broom across to give a uniform texture (anti-slip) to the surface. Use the edging tool around the perimeter to give a nice finished radius to the edge.

Double check the surface. Any imperfections will become ‘set in stone’! Keep pets and small children away until it sets (24 hours), as wet concrete is an irresistible artistic medium. Clean your tools immediately with water. After 24 hours, wet twice a day with water to help concrete hard set. It should be safe to walk on after 2 days but will not reach full strength for a month or so. Most small storage buildings may be placed on it after 1 week.

That is all there is to it! For those interested in a practical demonstration, or if you have any questions, contact me at joatfixer@yahoo.com.



About Walter’s World

Every month or two I plan to cover a different home improvement topic. On occasion, if demand warrants, I may even hold an actual workshop/bar-b-q to cover a specific topic. For my first one, I chose ‘concrete’.

I would welcome suggestions for future topics including woodworking plans, designs, and repair advice. Send your suggestions, requests, and questions to joatfixer@yahoo.com.

Corner(Ed)!

-by Rachael Stewart, Editor

For those of you who haven’t met him, my fiance Walter is a truly handy man. (He likes to cook, too. Hurrah!) I have some pearls of wisdom to add to his “Walter’s World” article, however. First, limber up beforehand. Laying concrete is not so far removed from weightlifting. 20 bags of concrete at 80 pounds apiece equals a full ton. If you have any doubts about the wisdom of mixing these by hand, sacrifice \$100-odd to the cement truck. Second, stop for lunch. Third, take a long, hot bath and let your significant other rub ‘Icy Hot’ or ‘Tiger Balm’ into all those well-used muscle systems afterwards.



As you read this, we have finished laying the floor tile in the kitchen. I have acquired a stove and dishwasher, but still lack a washing machine (anybody got one you’ll sell cheap?). The stove is electric - a pity, but the price was right, and I won’t be doing much of the cooking anyway. The dishwasher has the utensil tray attached to the door instead of in the center of the bottom rack. I’d never seen that before, but it’s so very nice that I can’t imagine why the manufacturers no longer use that design. By the way, I now have an extra dishwasher, would anyone like to acquire it in trade for a washing machine and/or vent hood?

We’re doing our best to build some luxury into this new home. Large closets in the bedrooms with shoe shelves and cedar, a spa tub in the guest bath, and an extra-deep shower tub in the master. (Note to self: get a hair filter for the drain.) We’ve run telecommunications wiring into all the rooms. Hardwood and tile floors. The kitchen is small, but exquisitely tiled. The backyard will boast a field of wildflowers and a hot tub. And it’s all been a do-it-yourself effort. I’m amazed every time I look around our new home.

So much for Housekeeping Past. Housekeeping Present plans involve a privacy fence with a lattice to keep the cats inside the yard and away from Airport Blvd. We’ll also finish the trim paint and clean up. Then, at last, move-in! Look forward to a housewarming party in the Housekeeping Future - probably mid-May or June.

Hasta mayo,
Raquel



It's Not Easy Being Green

SynRG 2003

Memorial Day Weekend

May 23 - 26

Why: *You deserve a long weekend of fun*, so join **Patsy Williamson** and **Patty Williams** and their RG Team at Gulf Coast Mensa's 21st Regional Gathering! It will be jam-packed with events designed to appeal to your every appetite and interest - from Friday evening through Monday afternoon! We have lots of **new events** planned for you this year, in addition to the *fascinating speakers, games tournament, Sexyg Fishbowl, Silent Auction, fabulous food, and delightful Mensans* to party with! There are plenty of *wonderful restaurants* nearby in your price range and cuisine choices.

When: Friday, May 23, through Monday, May 26, 2003 – **Memorial Day weekend**. Come early and stay late to savor all the fun!

Where: The beautiful Holiday Inn Select – Greenway Plaza, 2712 SW Freeway, Houston, conveniently located near downtown! We have a very full weekend planned for you, so **make your hotel reservations now** : \$72 single/double (tax inclusive). Call (713) 523-8448 (be sure to mention "Gulf Coast Mensa"). **Need a map?** Just visit our Gulf Coast Mensa website www.gcmensa.org, and find the map on the SynRG page. We'll also mail you one!

Registration: \$50 if postmarked by **March 31, 2003** - \$55 if postmarked from **April 1 through 30**, and just \$60 thereafter and walk-in. (Children 0-8 years of age are free, young people 9-17 at time of RG are half prevailing rate.) Check, money order, or credit cards are accepted.

To register, complete and fax this form to: 713.426 0644, visit our **website** www.gcmensa.org or complete and

Some of our Speakers include:

Dr. John Leinhard, author and voice of "The Engines of Our Ingenuity"; Lois Baker, an octogenarian who walked 312 miles of the Appalachian Trail; Ferrill Dalton speaking on "Saving Big Bird: Conservation of Water Fowl"; and Dr. Lou Markos.

There are also speakers planned from Environmental Defense, Harris County Flood Control, and experts on many environmental issues.

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Renew Yourself

Hello Region 6!

-by Dan Wilterding, RVC Region 6

“The time has come,” the Walrus said,
“To talk of many things:
Of shoes—and ships—and sealing-wax—
Of cabbages—and kings—
And why the sea is boiling hot—
And whether pigs have wings.”

Excerpt from “The Walrus and the Carpenter” by Lewis Carroll

Perhaps the specific subjects have changed but the time has indeed come. I wish to remind you of the pending elections and proposed bylaws revisions that appear on the ballot.

Kindly remember my challenge regarding the upcoming national elections: To the Region 6 group that has the highest percentage of members voting I will present \$100 for their scholarship fund [BASE]. If the percentage of members voting in Region 6 exceeds the percentage of voters across the nation I will present an additional \$50 to the highest ranking group as well as \$100 for the scholarship fund of the next highest [REGION EXCEEDS NATION].

If the number of voters across the Region reaches or exceeds 15% all awards are doubled.

[BASE]:

\$100.00 to highest local group

[REGION EXCEEDS NATION]:

\$150.00 to highest local group

\$100.00 to second highest

Region exceeds 15%

[BASE]:

\$200.00 to local group

[REGION EXCEEDS NATION]:

\$300.00 to highest local group

\$200.00 to second highest

Concerning the proposed bylaws amendments:

I support amendments 1 through 4 and suggest that you vote for them.

Amendment 5 is completely unnecessary given the wording of the bylaws as they currently exist and is too easily subject to abuse; I strongly urge you to vote against #5.

In the Bulletin you will find that Rick Magnus (RVC 3)

presents a good argument against amendment 6. Please take his points into consideration when you vote.

Comments, anyone?

Dan Wilterding - RVC6

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Mind Games

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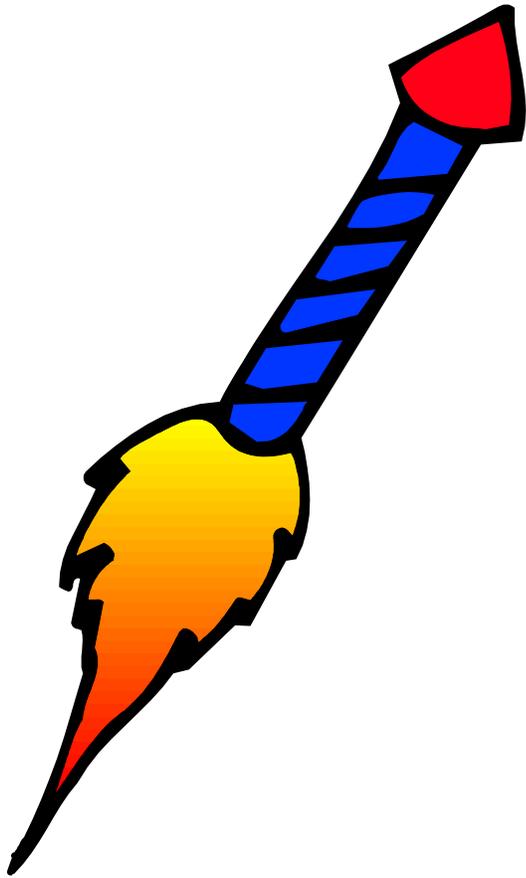
-by Ray O'Connor

Meet Ray O'Connor:

Why do I want your vote for Region 6 RVC? I'm a professional manager. I believe American Mensa is a business that must follow good business practices. I have the knowledge, skill and experience to make a significant contribution to the AMC. I want to give something back to the organization that has, over the past 18 years become my primary social activity. My wife, Sue, and I build our vacations around the AG and RGs.

As Membership Chair and Proctor Coordinator, I have had an opportunity to give to my local group. I want to do more. I have a very good relationship with our National staff and look forward to working even more closely with them over the next few years.

Those of you, who have attended our RG, know me. I'm the one in hospitality. I love people and feeding Mensans is my passion. Over the past 18 years Mensa has given me much. I feel it is time I gave something back. I know RVC is a lot of work. If you give me your vote, I promise to do my best to serve you.



April Monthly Meeting Announcement

April's topic is The Care and Feeding of Young Rocketeers, from Estes to Engineering - How Rocketry Stimulates and Educates. David Urban and Rick VanVoorhis from the Austin Area Rocketry Group will tell us about the practical uses of math and science as they apply to rocketry and show us how they design, build, and fly their creations.

The Austin Area Rocketry Group holds launches at least once a month and are affiliated with both the National Association of Rocketry and the Tripoli Rocketry Association.

Mr. VanVoorhis has achieved the highest certification rating in rocketry, level 3 unlimited, and flown some serious machines to very high performance flights.

The sport of model rocketry is threatened by the Homeland Security Act - will your children be able to learn using rockets? Come to the meeting and hear what the experts have to say.

They have promised to bring lots of rockets and equipment too. (We know how you Mensans love to play with equipment). We hope members with children will bring them along. This topic is especially suited for them.

Mensa Spring Picnic

4:00 p.m., Saturday, April 5, 2003

-by Barbara Bartlett, Co-Ordinator

We're doing it again, gang! Lonestar Mensa will have a Spring Picnic at Northwest Park in north central Austin. We've had similar events there, and every one of them keeps getting better!

Bring a dish to share for our potluck meal, and meat (if you want it) for you and your family. There is a grill that you can use, or you can bring it pre-cooked. I will provide at least one cooked brisket to share with all.

Kids, pets on a leash, significant others, prospective members—bring them all. You might also want to consider lawn chairs, sunscreen, etc.... you know what picnic basics are!

We'll have a website up soon with directions to the park, a list of who's coming, and who's bringing what. If you have any questions (or comments), send e-mail to me at threebar3@hotmail.com.

More about the picnic later! Watch your e-mailbox for announcements!



Attendees at the picnic last April.

-photo by Joe Bartlett

What's Happening in April

Thank Goodness It's Thursday

Central Market Café

Every Thursday

6:00-8:00pm

4001 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin

(512) 206-1020

Meet us in the Café after work for fun, conversation & food. Prospective members welcome. Central Market Café is located in the Central Park shopping center on the east side of Lamar Blvd between 38th and 41st Streets. Central Market is the anchor store. Central Market Café is adjacent to Central Market on the south side. We meet upstairs.

Mensa Spring Picnic

Saturday, 5 April

4:00pm

Northwest Park

7000 Ardath St, Austin

Barbara Bartlett

threebar3@hotmail.com

Please see page 10 for details.

Directions: From IH35, take 2222 west, or from Mopac (Loop 1) take 2222 east to Shoal Creek Blvd. Turn north and drive a few blocks to the park.

Public Transportation: Take bus number 3 (Burnet/Manchaca) to Burnet at Justin/Pegram. Walk west on Pegram to Ardath (a couple of blocks).

For a map of Northwest Park:

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps/>

[map.adp?country=US&address=7000+Ardath+St.&zipcode=78757](http://www.mapquest.com/maps/map.adp?country=US&address=7000+Ardath+St.&zipcode=78757)

About Austin city parks, including Beverly S. Sheffield

Northwest Park: [http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/parks/](http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/parks/districtparks.htm#Northwest)

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ExComm Meeting

Saturday, 12 April

11:00am

University Hills Branch

4721 Loyola Lane, Austin

Contact John Neemidge at (512) 310-7863 to get an item on the agenda. All members welcome.

Take 183 to Manor Rd. exit; go west on Manor Road past the HEB; turn left at the next light, which is Loyola. The library is on the right, less than one block up Loyola.

Monthly Meeting

Saturday, 12 April

11:00am-1:00pm

Austin Public Library

University Hills Branch

4721 Loyola Lane, Austin

Please see the announcement on page 5 for meeting details. Take 183 to Manor Rd. exit; go west on Manor Road past the HEB; turn left at the next light, which is Loyola. The library is on the right, less than one block up Loyola.

Waco Area Mensa Get-Together

Wednesday, 16 April

7:00pm

Barnes & Noble Café

4909 W. Waco Dr., Waco

Prospective members welcome. RSVP to Jerry Lenamon, (254) 399-9450.

Fold & Sticker

Thursday, 24 April

(at TGIT)

Help us assemble the newsletter! See Thank Goodness It's Thursday for directions.

Potluck SIG & Games Night

Saturday, 26 April

6:00pm

Kelly Wagner & Steve Harsch's Home

1001 E. Riverside, Austin

(512) 443-9650

Theme: April 25th was Steve's birthday, so the potluck theme for April 26 is: Food Steve Likes. Steve likes cherries, dark chocolate, almonds, in just about anything; macaroni and cheese; rice in most forms and shapes (curry to pudding), and almost any kind of pie. Call Kelly for additional suggestions.

Directions from Riverside Dr between IH35 & Congress Ave: the house is on the SE corner of the intersection of Travis Heights Blvd & Riverside Dr. There is a traffic light at the intersection. Park on Travis Heights & enter the house at the back door. Do not attempt to park on Riverside Dr.

Coming Attractions

MAY

Saturday May 3rd - O. Henry Pun-Off. We'll be meeting in the park to enjoy the Pun-Off. Look for details next month.

Sunday May 4th. - John and Geri Neemidge are hosting a meet the RVC (regional vice chairman) candidate picnic. Ray O'Connor will be there and an invitation is out to Dan Wilterding. This is a great opportunity to decide who you would like to vote for in the National Mensa elections. Mark your calendar now - details next month.



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April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 TGIT	4	5 Spring Picnic
6	7	8	9	10 TGIT	11	12 ExComm & Monthly Meetings
13	14	15 <i>'Dillo Deadline</i>	16 Waco Area Mensa	17 TGIT	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 TGIT <i>Fold & Sticker</i>	25	26 Games Night
27	28	29	30			

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