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From the President

Dear Fellow Mensans -

What a good time we had in May – the new member party was lots of fun. And friends reported that the camping trip was great!

Unfortunately, also in May, Member at Large Vignesh Prakesh submitted his resignation, due to multiple other commitments (which include being a student at UT). We appreciate his contributions, and look forward to seeing him at future events. If you would like to explore the option of filling this position, please give me a call. The time frame for the position would be through December 31, 2007.

Also, please let me know your ideas about possible other events. Would a "Games Afternoon" for Lonestar Mensa singles be a good idea? Or would you singles like to suggest another meeting place and time? We haven't had a special event just for single Mensans lately.

See you at future events –

Janet



Note of Thanks

Lonestar Mensa would like to thank Vignesh Prakish for his service to the chapter as Member at Large on the Executive Committee. Vignesh informed the Ex Comm of his decision to resign in May, due to multiple other commitments. Vignesh was responsible for re-activing the Mensa Student Organization at the University of Texas at Austin – which had been dormant since 1988. Thank you, Vignesh, for your contributions to Lonestar Mensa, and we look forward to seeing you at future events.

Lonestar Mensa would like to thank Clay Kruse, who organized the Lonestar Mensa Supernova CultureQuest Team! It has been quite a few years since Lonestar Mensa has participated in the annual Mensa Culture-Quest event! Unfortunately, a sudden illness prevented Clay from participating on the assigned day — John Neemidge stepped in as an alternate for the team.

Lonestar Mensa also wants to thank the Supernova Team: Captain Clay Kruse, Nancy Hester, Carla Young, David White, Janet Kres, and Alternates Mark Kres and John Neemidge.

It was a lot of work! It was a lot of thought! It was a lot of fun! Thank you, Team!

We will see how our team performs nationally -- we don't have the results as of the newsletter deadline.

June Monthly Meeting

The Texas Concealed Handgun Law

Our speaker is Ross Bransford, who will discuss current Texas law and any changes enacted by the recent legislative session. Ross is an instructor for the Texas Concealed Handgun license course.

Ross has been a businessman for many years, having previously served in the US Air Force, built and owned a marina in the Florida Keys, owned and operated several related businesses in the central Texas area. He was raised in central Texas and has been a competition shooter, range officer and hunter for many years. His public speaking, T.V. and Radio exposure gives him a unique prospective on Texas views of the use and ownership of firearms.

Gifted Children's Activities Poll

-by Michelle Vaughn, Gifted Children's Coordinator

First, on a personal note, Steve and I, along with our daughter, Lyrienne, would like to welcome the newest member of our family, Drake Orion Welti Vaughan. He was born on May 1, 2007, weighed in at 9 lbs. 7 oz., and was 21 ¼ inches long. We're enjoying getting to experience his emerging personality and to see our daughter as a big sister now. Thanks to those of you who sent along your good wishes. We appreciate you thinking of us!

I'm taking some time to get back into the swing of things before our next children's event, but plans are already in the works. I have opened a poll on our discussion group at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/lonestar-giftedchildren/ to find out which events and times work the best for the most people. If you are at all interested in children's activities, please take the time to join the group and vote. Your input is needed and appreciated! I promise you won't be inundated with emails after joining the discussion group; we've been very low-key thus far with 16 current members. If you prefer to answer the poll without joining the discussion group, please email me and I will send you the questionnaire via email: lonestar.gifted.children@gmail.com.

I'd like to receive your responses to the Gifted Children's Activities Poll by June 13th. We'll announce the results of the LSM Children's Activities Poll in the next edition of the newsletter and will let you know what activity has been planned for July. We hope you'll join us for some Mensan fun this summer!



Deborah Ruf, Ph.D., Minneapolis, specialist in gifted assessment, test interpretation, and guidance for the gifted, has been the National Gifted Children Program Coordinator for American Mensa since 2003. Having been a parent, teacher and administrator in elementary through graduate education, she writes and speaks about school issues and social and emotional adjustment of gifted children. Her book, Losing Our Minds: Gifted Children Left Behind (July, 2005), summarizes "levels of intelligence" and highlights exceptionally to profoundly gifted children. See http://www.educationaloptions.com/.

How Smart Is My Child?

-by Deborah L. Ruf, Ph.D., 2006

Many parents wonder how their children compare to other children. They may have very good reasons to suspect their children are gifted (for example, their five-year-old is adding pupils and eyelashes to their drawings of people or their three-year-old can read an "Exit" sign), but they're not sure how to prove or disprove it. Proof about giftedness can be critical, because it helps parents to provide more opportunities for their kids' increased growth, enjoyment, and success in areas of interest.

There are certain childhood behaviors - milestones - that can tell us when children are ahead of or behind others their age. Most of the charts on childhood development show the typical range of behaviors for each age group. If your child is ahead of those tables, that doesn't necessarily mean he or she is on the fast track or slated to become the next Doogie Howser, M.D. Levels of Giftedness range from those who are simply bright to those who are intellectually astonishing.

Here's an overview of the various levels of giftedness and milestones that are common-but not necessary-to each Level. Here, also, are the numbers at each Level of Giftedness that you are likely to find in an average elementary classroom of 28 children. It is the overall "feel" of where the child fits that tells you the Level.

1. Level One

- These children show interest in many things before they are even two years old - like colors, saying the numbers in order, and playing simple puzzles.
- Most of them are good talkers by age three, and by four, many print letters and numbers, recognize simple signs, their name, and know most of alphabet.
- By the time they are six years old, many read beginner books and type at the computer, and most read chapter books by age seven.
- It is not unusual to find six to eight Level One children in an average classroom, children who are nearly always a few steps ahead of what the teacher is teaching the whole class.

2. Level Two

- These bright children love looking at books and being read to, even turning pages without ripping them, by 15 months. Some shout out the name of familiar stores as you drive past.
- Many of these children know lots of letters by 18 months and colors by 20 months, and between ages

three and four, they count small groups of objects, print some letters and numbers, and they very likely drive their parents crazy with all their questions.

- They'll sit for what seems like hours as you read advanced level books, especially fiction and fantasy, to them, but they require a bit less of your time by age six, because most of them read for pleasure and information on their own by then.
- Level Two children can find only one or two others in their classroom who are as advanced as they are, which starts to make it hard to find good friends.

3. Level Three

- They're born wide-eyed and alert, looking around the room, reacting to noises, voices, faces.
- They know what adults are telling or asking them by six months. You say a toy, pet, or another person, and they will look for it.
- Everything Level Two children do by 15 months, these kids do by 10 to 12 months, and they can get family members to do what they want before they are actually talking.
- By two years, many like 35+ piece puzzles, memorize favorite books, and know the entire alphabet in or out of order!
- By three years old, they talk constantly, and skip count, count backwards, and do simple adding and subtracting because they like to. They love to print letters and numbers, too.
- They ask you to start easy readers before five years, and many figure out how to multiply. Divide, and do some fractions by six years.
- Most of these children are a full two to five years beyond grade level by age six and find school too slow.
- There are one or two Level Three children in every 100 in the average school. They are rarely in the same elementary class and can feel very, very lonely.

4. Level Four

- Level Four babies love books, someone to read them, and pay attention within a few months of their birth.
- They are ahead of Level Three children by another 2 to 5 months while less than two years old.
- They have extensive, complex speaking by two years, and their vocabularies are huge!
- Most of them read easy readers by $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ years, and then read for information and pleasure by age five, with comprehension for youth and adult level books at about $6 6\frac{1}{2}$ years.
- There are about one per 200 children in the average school. Without special arrangements, they can feel very different from their typical classmates.

5. Level Five

- Level Fives have talents in every possible area. Everything is sooner and more intense than others Levels.
- They have favorite TV shows before 6 8 months, pick out letters and numbers by 10-14 months, and enjoy shape sorters before 11 months.
- They print letters, numbers, words, and their names between 16 - 24 months, and often use anything that is available to form these shapes and figures.
- They show ability with 35+ piece puzzles by less than 15 months and interest in complex mazes before they are three.
- Musical, dramatic, and artistic aptitudes usually start showing by 18 months.
- Most speak with adult-level complexity by age two.
- At two and three-years-old they ask about how things work, and science particularly biological and life and death questions emerge.
- They understand math concepts and basic math functions before age four.
- They can play card and board games ages 12 and up by age $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4.
- They have high interest in pure facts, almanacs, and dictionaries by age $3\frac{1}{2}$.
- Most read any level of book by 41/4 to five years.
- "They read six or more years beyond grade level with comprehension by six years and usually hit 12th grade level by age 7 or 8.
- We know they occur more often than once in a million and regular grade school does not work for them. Levels Three through Five score similarly on ability tests-very high.

Once you have a sense of your children's abilities, you can provide them with more activities and experiences that build on these strengths and take advantage of their talents. Parents who have more than one child may notice that each child seems to have different interests and talents even when we encourage them equally. This is because we don't cause our children's abilities; we can only recognize and nurture them. To do less is truly depriving them of chances to do what they are good at and what they enjoy. To do less for our children probably chips away at their potential, too, for how can we get good at the things we don't get to practice? There are more potential geniuses - children who are remarkably intellectually different from their same-age classmates - than most people believe, and your child may well be one of them.

Welcome New Members

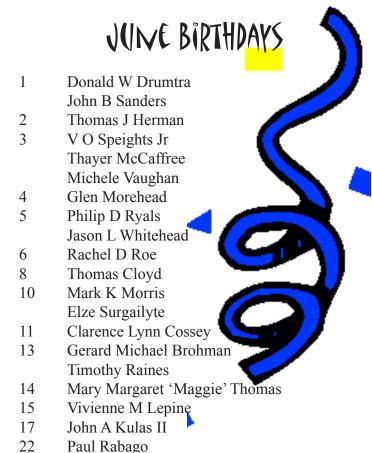
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Welcome to Region 6, Lonestar Mensa

John W. Smith Jr. Meade Kincke



Ronald Wayne Holder Jr

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New Member Information – Tim Raines

6th Generation Texan born in 1970 in Fort Worth, Texas and raised in College Station Texas. Attended A&M Consolidated High School and both Texas Tech and Texas A&M for undergraduate coursework, graduating from Texas A&M University in College Station with an engineering degree in Industrial Distribution. While at A&M, Tim was highly involved in student activities, including several leadership roles in student government and business clubs and also worked for the Board of Regents and the Systems General Counsel. Tim is married to Michelle, a commercial pilot and founder of her own Marketing and Branding firm. They have no children.

Tim is currently launching his own consulting practice with a focus on innovation, business development and new venture launch. He is currently contracted with the IC2 Institute at the University of Texa, helping 10 Mexican entrepreneurs and inventors develop their technology and market strategies and recently completed helping 30 Hungarian start-ups in the same capacity. His career has been in technology business development with organizations such as Dell, HP and most recently with UGS, a former EDS division. Tim is completing his Masters in Science in Science and Technology Commercialization at The University of Texas in May. He is a founding committee member of the Space Authority of Texas and former board member of the UT San Antonio College of Engineering Advisory Committee.

Hobby's and interest include entrepreneurial endeavors in real estate development, including a recently completed Hyde Park project and a modest art business. Tim has sold his original art to collectors around the globe and also has had success in at publishing his art, including the official 100th A&M – UT Football Game Commemorative Poster in 1993. Other hobbies include hiking and camping, water sports and golf.



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December 2006 ExComm Minutes

-submitted by John Neemidge, Vice President

6 December 2006 - Attending: Janet Kres, President; John Neemidge, Vice President; Don Drumtra, Treasurer; Helen Siders, Michael Tolbert, Patty Drumtra, Member Janet called the meeting to order at 6pm.

Results of the LSM election -- all candidates elected.

Testing: Next session will be Monday Dec 18 at Triumphant Love Lutheran church, 6:30 pm.

Janet has confirmed use of the Rec Center room for Ex-Comm meetings, 1st Wednesday of the month (except July) at 6pm.

We now have a Mensa group at UT! University Mensa is an official student organization.

We need to finalize RG ASIEs for publication in the newsletter.

Officer's reports: Michael Tolbert reported that Choice Investments has decided to build its own building. It will be ready in the spring. It will be on Bee Caves Road, which gives us a south-side testing location.

Treasurer's Report: We continue to be healthy financially. November showed a \$192 loss for overall operations. This is a result of the second installment of our newsletter software purchase, the Halloween symposium, and our scholarship installment. Our expenses were partially offset by our allotment for increased membership and testing reimbursement. Our successful testing and recruitment program has resulted in 7 new members and thus higher subsidies from American Mensa.

We discussed the timeline of monthly mailings and when labels and electronic reports are printed. We also discussed stickers, articles, and newsletter covers to publicize e-distribution of the newsletter.

Discussed producing an LSM directory. Consensus is that we want to produce an LSM directory for both paper and email distribution.

November 2007 is Gifted Children's month. We will try to do some special activities for it.

New member party planned for mid-late July.

Janet adjourned the meeting at 6:55.

April ExComm Minutes

-submitted by John Neemidge, Vice President

4 April 2007 - Attending: Janet Kres, President; John Neemidge, Vice President; Don Drumtra, Treasurer; Michael Tolbert, Members At Large; Helen Siders, Circulation Manager; and Steve Roberts, Member.

Janet called to order at 6:10

New member party 1st weekend in May. It'll be Cinco de Mayo; we discussed themeing the party a bit.

John will do email notification of lapsed members. We will wait a couple weeks, see who comes back, then send out paper mail.

Planning for April testing session at UT. Looking at a fall testing session in Bryan/College Station. John proposed September 22nd. 9 people tested at the Buda testing session. Good response, and we are planning to go back there in the fall. April is free prior evidence month; we will publicize on the email list and website.

Circulation Manager. Helen reported on electronic newsletter results. At the current rate we will have 100 at the end of the year; we have 32 right now. Also discussed circulation reports and how to handle the May mailout in the presence of SynRG. We may move to TGITuesday for the mailout in May.

We are planning to defer the garage sale to after the new member party.

CultureQuest -- we have a team this year. Janet proposed paying the registration free of \$40 from the group. Everyone agreed and a receipt has been submitted.

Treasurer's report: The first quarter under our now program structure was mixed. As may be seen from the Cumulative Program structure, every one of our programs except Education was underspent giving us a surplus of \$273.10 for the quarter. Education would have also been underspent for the quarter except for 2006 expenditures received after the 2006 books closed and funds we set aside for this spring's scholarship winner. So it was unanimous. This is good if our goal is to enrich the treasury of the local chapter to increase our net worth. But if our goal is to have successful programs we should have spent more.

One of the reasons we are not spending more is the lack of volunteers to run our programs. We have budgeted money for our programs; but we need volunteers to run the programs. Granted it is not a lot of money, but traditionally the impact of our programs on the community and our members can be large with only a small amount of funds. The gifted children and scholarship programs are but two examples where our volunteer officers have made a difference exceeding the money they have spend. If you are interested in volunteering for any of the programs, no matter how little the time you have to contribute, please call Janet Kres and explore the possibilities.

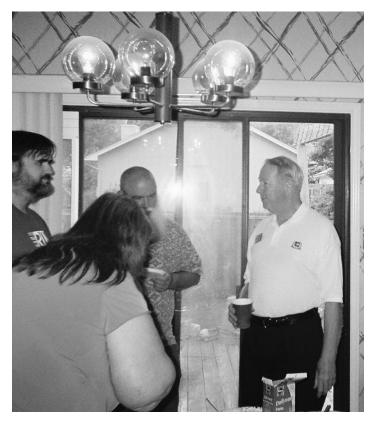
Motion for approval of report: moved Don, second Ron. Passed 4-0.

Steve Roberts proposed a camping event later in the year. He proposed renting a camping site (\$75-100) and advertising the event in the newsletter. The feeling of the ExComm was that this falls under the symposia category and should be reimbursed.

Janet adjourned the meeting at 7:15.

Editor's Note:

There are a number of ExComm Minutes that didn't get submitted for publication this year. The <u>Gazette</u> will include one 'forgotten Minutes' each month until we catch up.



12% of Lonestar Mensans are Electronic!

-by Helen Siders, Newsletter Distribution Manager

The number of Lonestar Mensans who have opted in to replace their paper newsletter with the electronic e-mail version has doubled in the last two months. Treasurer Don Drumtra has remarked that our postal costs are declining. The total volunteer work on your newsletters is declining. There is some extra upfront work when a member first designates electronic, but the tasks of folding, applying the address label and adding the colorful circles to the edges have decreased.

Please consider making this choice, for the reasons stated above, and to save trees.

If you want to join this green group, go to the Profile Update page located at www.us.mensa.org/profileupdate. But first check your email address. Is this where you want to receive an electronic newsletter? Right now is when you update to the email address that you love the most, the one you check every day.

The phrasing on the profile page will be 'electronic publications, if available.' There is a one to two month lag before your paper newsletters stop being snail-mailed and the e-newsletters start floating through the ether to your desktop/laptop.

Don't forget that the current newsletter is also available at www.lsm.us.mensa.org, the Lonestar Mensa website. You need userid (Mensa nbr)/ password to read this newsletter version.

Lastly, if you make this very intelligent choice, could you go ahead and email me at xlartemis@gmail.com? This will verify your current address beyond a shadow of a doubt. A lot of us do have outdated emails listed on the web page.

Thanks.









RVC6 June Report

-by Ray O'Connor, RVC Region 6

At this time I am extremely disappointed with the Texas Legal system. Where else can a man abuse his wife for over two years, abandon his family and then get a judge to recommend he be rewarded with custody of the infant child, a substantial property settlement and child support? At this time it seems as if that is what will happen to my daughter. I am totally devastated. The pain is all too similar to the death of a loved one. I feel as if my baby grandson is lost to me.

It seems that when an abused wife exhibits the signs and symptoms of abused wife syndrome in Collin County Texas that is grounds for her infant child to be awarded to the abusing husband. When an abusing husband causes actual physical damage to his wife, (blood running down her face) he is not just totally absolved, but she is accused of self inflicting the wounds. All a man needs to do in Collin County Texas to be legally allowed to abuse his wife is to tell the police she is psychotic. The fact that there are two court hearings scheduled to judge his abuse of both his wife (interfering with a 911 call) and abuse of his step daughter; it is the battered wife who was recommended to lose her infant child, her 401 K plan, significant assets and be assessed with child support. It seems as if the Collin County judge finds a battered wife to be too emotionally unstable to be permitted to be the custodial parent. Thus the abusing husband is more emotionally stable parent.

I'm sorry for sharing with my Mensa family such sad tidings but the devastating events of this divorce is totally dominating all my emotional energy. I have completely lost my faith in the police, the judges and the Texas legal system. It is totally beyond my wildest imagination that such a travesty can happen in the good old USA. But then again maybe Texas doesn't consider itself part of that jurisdiction.

Gatherings Calendar:

There will be an RG in Dallas over the Thanksgiving weekend. The RG is four days and three nights of programs, hospitality, games, and all kinds of Mensa fun. Contact Linda Boroughs at laboroughs@mindspring.com for more information.

Lonestar Mensa Programs Communications Program

-submitted by Don Drumtra, Treasurer

Note: This is the fourth in a series of articles explaining the new Lonestar Mensa Budget Structure and the many new positions and opportunities available for you.

The Lonestar Mensa Communications Program includes the main communications elements of Lonestar Mensa the most important and most expensive element of which is our Newsletter. The Communications Chair is responsible for managing the 2007 Communications Program budget of \$3,600, for raising funds for the Communications Program, and for chairing the Communications Committee consisting of the Chair and officers listed below

The Newsletter Editor is responsible for building the Armadillo Literary Gazette (or ALG for short) from a collection of articles, calendar items, advertisements, and other items submitted each month into a coherent whole ready for printing and distribution. The Newsletter Circulation Manager is responsible for getting the ALG printed and distributed to the members. The Newsletter Advertising Coordinator is responsible for finding people and businesses to advertise in the ALG thereby supporting not only the ALG but other LSM programs.

The Lonestar Webmaster is responsible for the LSM Website and its contents. This includes posting announcements of events, providing news that exceeds the ALG's space limitations such as photographs of events, and for making ALG and official notices available electronically for LSM members. The eLlist Coordinator manages LSMs electronic mail lists email lists.

The publicity Officer (or Media Coordinator) is the Lonestar Mensa's single point of contact for the press and other outside news organization. As such this officer coordinates the publicity activities of volunteers in the other programs and presents a single unified face to the outside world. This officer brings together reporters and other LSM officers to highlight our programs and attract more members.

The Record Manager maintains the history, ASIEs, Records, and Archives of Lonestar Mensa according to standard practices for non-profit organizations.

Currently, Rachael Stewart serves as our Editor, Helen Siders as our Circulation Manager, Geri Neemidge as our Webmaster, John Neemidge as our Elist Coordinator, and Paul Anderson as our Publicity Officer and Media Coordinator. They are all doing a fantastic job. To complete the Communications Program team of officers we need volunteers to be the Communications Chair and Record Manager. If you would like more information about or would like to volunteer to serve in these or any other Lonestar Mensa officer positions, please contact Janet Kres.

Next month's article will cover the Symposia Program.





What's Happening in June?

Thank Goodness It's Thursday Central Market Café

Every Thursday 6:00-8:00pm 4001 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin (512) 206-1020

Meet us at 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's is adjacent to Central Market on the south side. We meet upstairs.

1st Saturday Bridge Night

Saturday, June 2 7:00-10:00pm

Janet & Mark Kres' House

11708 Prairie Hen Lane, Austin (512) 836-5773

Please RSVP so we will know how many bridge players we will have. Instruction will be provided. Beginners welcome. This is "party bridge", not duplicate bridge. We have changed to Saturday night to accommodate interested players' schedules.

ExComm Meeting

Wednesday, June 6 6:00pm

Northwest Recreation Center, Arts & Crafts Room 2913 Northland Drive, Austin Contact Janet Kres at (512) 836-5773 to get an item on the agenda. All members welcome.

Monthly Meeting

Monday, June 11 7:00pm

Austin Public Library, North Village Branch 2139 West Anderson Lane, Austin See page 5 for details.

Georgetown Mensans Meet at the Monument

Thursday, June 14 6:30pm

1953 S. Austin Ave, Georgetown

Host: Jane Thompson (512) 868-5319

Georgetown Mensans and others from the north part of town will get together at the best little cafe in town. RSVP 512-868-5319.

Fold & Sticker Thursday, June 28

6:00pm

Central Market, Austin. See TGIT for directions. Help us assemble the newsletter!



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