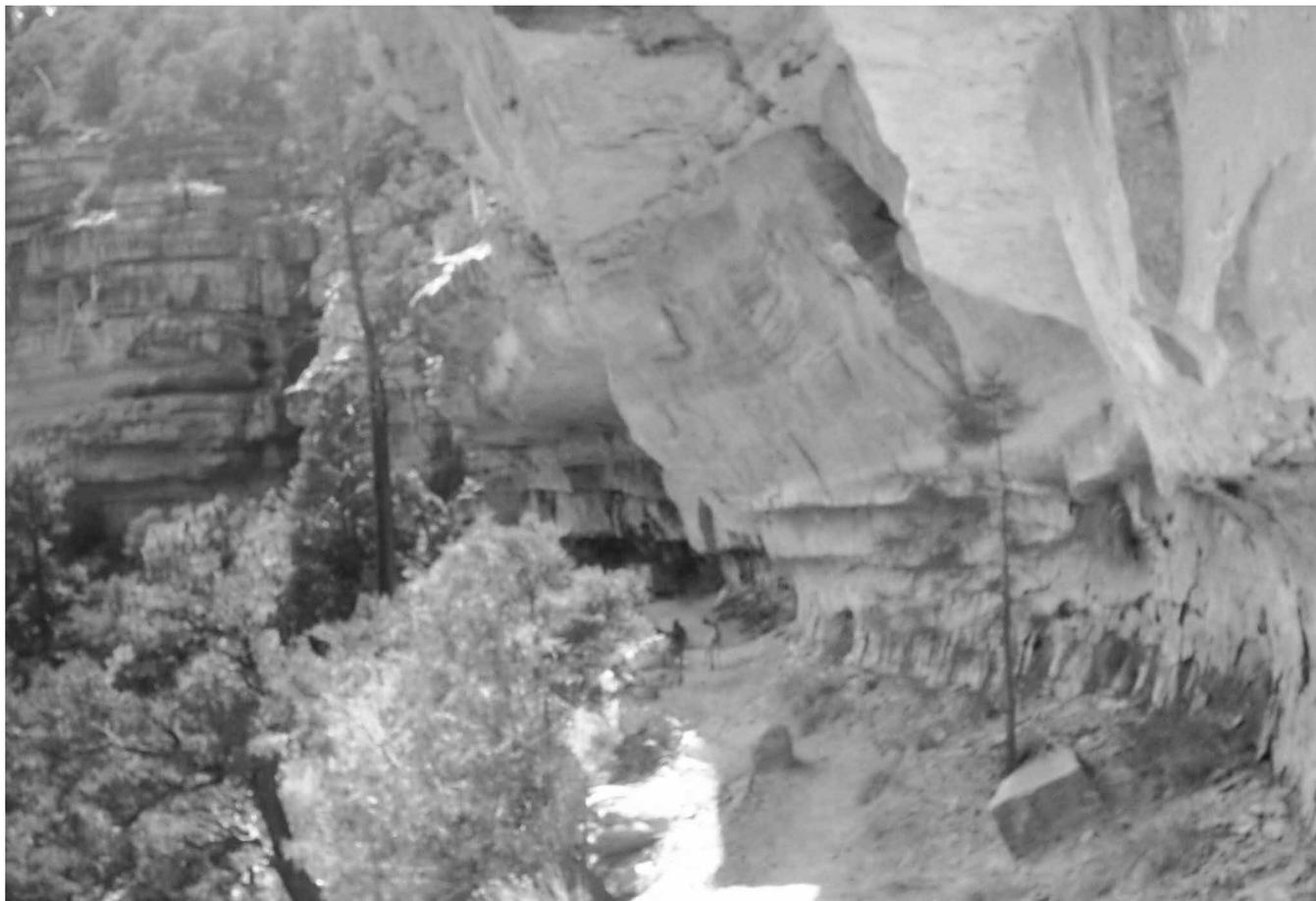


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Cliff Springs, Grand Canyon National Park

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## From the President

Dear Fellow Mensans –

First, a “thank you” to Robbie Fraser, our new College Station coordinator. Yes, another position on the front cover has been filled.

It’s time to vote for the 2008 Ex Comm Officers. Please be sure to follow the instructions (which are the same as for National elections) – and, if you want to suggest another candidate for a certain position, please be sure to have that person’s permission before you do so.

On October 3 the Lonestar Mensa Executive Committee approved the establishment of a scholarship endowment of \$6,000. This endowment will provide \$300 per year to be used only to support our annual scholarship award. This money will supplement the money we receive from donations to the scholarship fund and from fund raisers dedicated to our scholarship awards, such as the raffles at the LonestarRG. If you would be interested in working with the LSM Education Program, such as with our scholarship section or with gifted children program, please contact Claudia Harbert or Michele Vaughan respectively.

Mark you calendars for the December 8 Holiday Party – it will be great fun!

See you at future events –  
Janet

### ***Welcome New Members***

Amy Arrant \* Allissa K. Carter \* David W. Hoogterp  
Edward Loomis

### ***Welcome Back, Members***

James Bobal \* Frank B. Hagler  
James Stallings \* Walter Stewart  
John C. White

### ***Welcome to Region 6, Lonestar Mensa***

Ginger C. Carroll \* Dr. Thomas F. Incorvia  
Doug Jolliff \* Glenn R. Mautner  
Curtis Williamson

## Lonestar Mensa Holiday Party

Date: Saturday, December 8, 2007 6:00-9:00pm  
Site: Casa Chapala  
3010 West Anderson Lane, Suite D – at the intersection of Anderson and Shoal Creek.

Be sure to join us for the Lonestar Mensa Holiday Party! There will be door prizes, the White Elephant Gift Exchange (find out who really wants your gift!), and the free book exchange. Lonestar Mensa will have its own room at the restaurant. You may order as you wish from the menu.

See you there!

## *Welcome New Officers*

Please join us in welcoming the following new Lonestar Mensa officers:

New Member Coordinator -- Carla Young. Carla’s email is carla.x.young@gmail.com and her phone number in Austin, is 512-586-7524. Carla will be sending out the Welcome Letters to our new members and will serve as a resource for them about Lonestar Mensa.

College Station Coordinator -- Robbie Fraser . Robbie’s email is tampabuc47@yahoo.com and his phone number in College Station is 214-240-4439. Robbie would like to start some type of Aggie Mensa Members group at A&M.

Thank you, Carla and Robbie for your support of Lonestar Mensa!!



*Happy Birthday*

- |    |  |
|----|--|
| 2  | Gerald Lee Schappe<br>William Gerald Baker                             |
| 6  | John C White   |
| 8  | Susan Marie Shaffer RN   |
| 9  | Paul W Roeber  |
| 10 | Joseph Kalapach  |
| 11 | Kelly Williams<br>James Bobal  |
| 14 | Timothy Edward Carpenter   |
| 15 | Dr Douglas Perret Starr PHD APR<br>Michael C Wheeler<br>Tiana Endicott |
| 16 | Scot R Courtney<br>Jackson E Crosley                                   |
| 17 | Peter Anthony Crossley<br>Joel L Phillips Jr<br>Paul R Albers          |
| 19 | Mark Fortress  |
| 21 | Dr Thomas F Incorvia<br>Ron Fortin<br>Tristan Meredith Waitt           |
| 22 | Cynthia Hays   |
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| 28 | Nancy W Norwood  |
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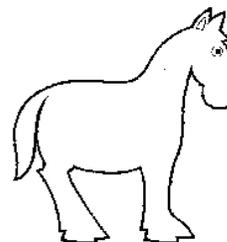


**Lonestar Mensa**  
**Cumulative Program Activity**  
 2007 January 1 - September 30

**Treasurer's Report - Third Quarter 2007**  
 -Submitted by Don Drumtra, Treasurer

We continue to have strong financial results. As may be seen from the Cumulative Program Activity, overall program revenues remained ahead of expectations and expenses continued to be below budget. The Recruitment Program revenue was significantly below expectations due to reduced testing activity in the Lonestar Mensa. The Symposia Program revenue was significantly above expectations due to the unexpected increase in local group funding last spring from American Mensa. Our net worth stood at close to \$17,000 mostly invested in certificates of deposit. The bulk of the interest from these certificates was being used to support our education program. This report was approved by the Lonestar Mensa ExComm on October 3, 2007.

|                                     | <u>Annual Budget</u> | <u>Actual to Date</u> | <u>75%</u> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| <b>Recruitment Program</b>          |                      |                       |            |
| Total Revenue                       | \$ 800.00            | \$ 465.50             | 58%        |
| Total Expenses                      | 800.00               | 464.58                | 58%        |
| <b>Communications Program</b>       |                      |                       |            |
| Total Revenue                       | 3,600.00             | 2,855.77              | 79%        |
| Total Expenses                      | 3,600.00             | 2,421.17              | 67%        |
| <b>Symposia Program</b>             |                      |                       |            |
| Total Revenue                       | 800.00               | 882.62                | 110%       |
| Total Expenses                      | 800.00               | 400.00                | 50%        |
| <b>Education Program</b>            |                      |                       |            |
| Total Revenue                       | 650.00               | 518.78                | 80%        |
| Total Expenses                      | 760.00               | 288.43                | 38%        |
| <b>Subgroup Program</b>             |                      |                       |            |
| Total Revenue                       | -                    | -                     |            |
| Total Expenses                      | 200.00               | -                     | 0%         |
| <b>LonestarRG</b>                   |                      |                       |            |
| Total Revenue                       | 4,400.00             | 3,471.00              | 0%         |
| Total Expenses                      | 4,300.00             | 3,068.43              | 0%         |
| Total Disbursements                 | -                    | 221.42                | 0%         |
| <b>Other Activities</b>             |                      |                       |            |
| Total Revenue                       | 481.00               | 457.96                | 95%        |
| Total Expenses                      | 120.00               | 32.35                 | 27%        |
| <b>Total Revenue</b> (less RG)      | 6,331.00             | 5,180.63              | 82%        |
| <b>Total Expenses</b> (less RG)     | 6,280.00             | 3,606.53              | 57%        |
| <b>Total Program</b> (less RG)      | 51.00                | 1,574.10              |            |
| <b>Total Program</b> (including RG) | <u>\$ 151.00</u>     | <u>\$ 1,755.25</u>    |            |



**November Monthly Meeting**  
**An LSM Celebration of Gifted Children**

-by Michele Vaughan

In November, Lonestar Mensa celebrates gifted children, and we will be featuring a speaker of interest to children and adults alike. Our speaker will be Mrs. Trudy Marshall, Founder and Executive Director of Libraries of Love, a non-profit organization that has provided six school libraries in Uganda, Africa for over 9,000 children. November's monthly meeting is on Tuesday, November 13 at 7 PM at the North Village Branch of the Austin Public Library on Anderson Lane. I will be there and hope to meet many more of you; I'd love to see a great turn out in support of gifted children!

We will be offering a fun outing for children and their families in November as well. Thanksgiving will be done, and anticipation of winter will be running high! The Polar Express, based on Chris Van Allsburg's Caldecott-award-winning book by the same name, will be playing in 3D at the Bob Bullock State History Museum. Let's meet for the 1 PM showing on Sunday, November 25. We'll see you at the benches to the side of the terrazzo floor under the rotunda inside. Let's purchase our tickets and meet at 12:15 so we can get in line to enter the theater for seating together. Feel free to invite your friends to join us.

For more information regarding the theater, movie, and pricing, please visit [http://www.thestoryoftexas.com/showtimes/polar\\_express.html](http://www.thestoryoftexas.com/showtimes/polar_express.html). You may wish to purchase your tickets online in advance. This popular, whimsical, wintry movie is likely to sell out following the Thanksgiving holiday! We hope to meet you there.

**Balance Sheet**  
 2007 September 30

|   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>   |                           |
| Current Assets  |                           |
| Cash  | \$ -                      |
| Checking Account  | 699.29                    |
| Certificates of Deposit                                 | 16,721.52                 |
| Less Funds and Obligations                              | 3,000.00                  |
| Accounts Receivable                                     | -                         |
| Prepaid Expenses  | 462.84                    |
| Total Current Assets                                    | \$ 14,883.65              |
| Long Term Assets  |                           |
| Funds   | 3,000.00                  |
| Equipment   | 450.25                    |
| Other Long Term Assets                                  | -                         |
| Long Term Assets  | 3,450.25                  |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                                     | <b><u>\$18,333.90</u></b> |
| <b>Liabilities, Appropriations, and Net Worth</b>       |                           |
| Liabilities and Appropriations                          |                           |
| Accounts Payable  | \$ 574.76                 |
| Escrow Accounts   | 690.26                    |
| RG Reserve  | 242.93                    |
| Eqpmt Replacement Appropriation                         | 35.25                     |
| Other Liabilities and Appropriations                    | -                         |
| Total Liabilities and Appropriations                    | \$ 1,543.20               |
| <b>Net Worth</b>  | <b><u>16,790.70</u></b>   |
| <b>Total Liabilities, Appropriations, and Net Worth</b> | <b><u>\$18,333.90</u></b> |

## **LSM Programs -- Subgroups Program**

*-Submitted by Don Drumtra, Treasurer*

Although all Mensa members are welcome to participate in all Mensa activities, geography makes that sometimes difficult. Thus, regions and chapters have been established to bring Mensa activities closer to home. But sometimes even chapter activities are not close enough to home for routine participation. Thus smaller units, subgroups, may be established to cover smaller geographic areas. In the past we have had subgroups in Waco, College Station, and University of Texas. In addition to geographic areas, we provide information and other assistance to Mensa travelers who might want to visit or pass through our area. The Subgroups Chair helps subgroups get established, coordinates their activities, supports the subgroup publicity coordinator, and manages the Subgroups budget currently at \$200.

Subgroup Coordinators are like mini-Local Secretaries in their assigned areas and work with the Program Chairs to support special activities in their areas, such as recruitment and testing, making use of Program Chair funding to support them. But as one might expect, the most popular program in subgroups is the symposia program.

SIGHT (Service of Information, Guidance, and Hospitality to Travelers. assists Mensans who are traveling. The scope of the services offered ranges from short-term accommodations (two to three days is usually the maximum) to providing information on local Mensa activities and local attractions. All contacts between prospective guests and local hosts go through the local SIGHT coordinators.

The SIGHT program is in place in more than 40 countries throughout the world. Many members use SIGHT regularly. The primary SIGHT function is to match potential guests with suitable hosts in his or her area. Once the local Coordinator has been contacted by the guest, he or she will find the appropriate host for the guest, dependent upon requirements. The local Coordinator will match the guest to the host in that area, passing along details of arrival and departure times, duration of stay, etc. The host then communicates directly with the guest. However, most guests want exactly what a local Coordinator or host would want: the chance to meet like-minded people who share the same interests and hobbies, who like to share their stories about Mensa and their travels, and who like to open up a little part of themselves to new friends.

Steve Vaughan has been doing a wonderful job as our SIGHT Coordinator. Robbie Fraser is our newly appointed Bryan-College Station Subgroup Coordinator and Vignesh Prakash, coordinated the University of Texas student subgroup until last spring when he and most of the members graduated. If you are interested in chairing the subgroups program, coordinating publicity, or setting up a subgroup and leading it, please contact Janet Kres.

## **LSM Programs -- Mediation & Other Activities**

*-Submitted by Don Drumtra, Treasurer*

The American Mensa Mediator's handbook begins: Since the inception of American Mensa, conflicts have arisen between members. The fact that Mensa is made up of highly intelligent people is no guarantee there will not be terrible disagreements. High intelligence may, in fact, be the partial cause of some disagreements. Mensa has been said to provide, among many other things, "a stage upon which some members can enact the drama of their madness." Conflict resolution within Mensa local groups is often handled by local ombudsmen, mediators, or arbitrators. Within this document, the term "Mediator" will be used to cover ombudsmen, mediators, or arbitrators serving on the local level. Although many local groups may never have the need of a Mediator, when the need does arise, they need the best possible candidate. When conflicts arise within Mensa, the Mediator can become the most important officer in the entire organization.

In Lonestar Mensa conflicts are normally resolved through face to face communications and we seldom have need of a mediator. However, just in case we have a mediator, our Ombudsman, who can be called upon to help to resolve serious conflicts between members. Since we expect few, if any, conflicts requiring mediation, and since Lonestar Mensa members normally work with each other in peace and harmony, no funds are budgeted for our Ombudsman. If, however, the Ombudsman is called upon, funds are made available to cover any associated expense.

We also participate in mediation activities at the Mena region level in support of the Regional Vice-Chairman, currently Ralph Rudolph, to address conflicts that exceed the capability of the local groups to resolve. Our Arbitrator serves at the call of the RVC to mediate such conflicts. The RVC covers the expenses for such dispute resolution so no LSM funds are budgeted to support the Arbitrator.

Currently, Kathleen Holiman serves as both our Ombudsman and Arbitrator. She reports that she has not been called upon once during her time in office.

Other activities include any Lonestar Mensa activities that are not included in the programs discussed previously in this series. Such activities include non-program administrative expenses of Lonestar Mensa as a whole such as bank service charges, routine business postage, and copies for the Executive Committee Meetings. It also includes revenue and expenses for prior years such as unexpected reimbursement for prior year activities, and current year revenue exceeding program estimates. We have budgeted \$120, to support other activities.

Next month's article will complete this series summarizing what we have learned and looking toward the future.

**Lonestar Mensa Ballot**  
**for Elective Office During 2008**

**October ExComm Meeting Minutes**

It is time for Lonestar Mensa elections for the Executive Committee in 2008, as described in our bylaws. The mailed ballots must be returned to the chair of the elections committee and received not later than November 15 or the date of the November LSM general membership meeting (November 13), whichever is later. You may give your ballot to a member of the committee (Kathie Lawler, Paul Anderson, Mark Kres) at the November 13 meeting.

Instructions:

1. Put your Mensa ID (membership number) on the outside of the envelope. Do not put any identifying information on the ballot itself. Envelopes without a Mensa ID (membership number) and ballots with identifying information will be disqualified.
2. Send all ballots to be received by November 15, 2007 to Kathie Blair Lawler, Chair of the Nomination and Elections Committee at:

LSM 2008 Election Ballot  
4700 Comanche  
Lago Vista, TX. 78645-6006

| Office                 | Candidate     | Vote                     |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| <b>President</b>       |               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                        | Other: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Vice President</b>  | Don Drumtra   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                        | Other: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Treasurer</b>       | Patty Drumtra | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                        | Other: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Member at Large</b> | John Neemidge | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                        | Other: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Member at Large</b> | Janet Kres    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                        | Other: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Member at Large</b> | Ron Edelstein | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                        | Other: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Attending: Janet Kres, Pres.; John Neemidge, V.P.; Don Drumtra, Treas.; Michael Tolbert, Ron Edelstein, & Steve Skelton, Members At Large; Helen Siders, Circulation Mgr; and Patty Drumtra, Member. Janet called the meeting to order at 6:10PM.

LSM Holiday Party: December 8 (2nd Sat) at Casa Chapala; 6-9pm. We will have gift & book exchanges.

Mensa Testing Day: the Round Rock Public Library on Oct 20 from 11:30-2:30 (testing noon-2pm).

New Gen-X Coordinator and College Station Coordinators.

John Neemidge will write up RG report. John reported on refunds (~\$215) & presented a \$118.35 bill for badgeholders. John reported on hotel negotiations for the 2008 RG.

Ron Edelstein will donate champagne to the group for the purposes of a new years party.

Don Drumtra presented the treasurer's report: We continue to have strong financial results. Cumulative Program Summary: overall program revenues remained ahead of expectations & expenses continue to be below budget. The Recruitment Program was significantly below expectations due to reduced testing activity in the Lonestar Mensa. The Symposia Program was significantly above expectations due to the unexpected increase in local group funding last spring from American Mensa. Our net worth stands at ~\$17,000 mostly invested in CoDs. The bulk of the interest on these certificates is being used to support our education program.

Moved Don, 2nd Ron: approve treasurer's report. Passed 6-0. Confirmed 2 previous motions (create a new account at Guaranty Bank & approve payment of a deposit to Casa Chapala for the Holiday Party) by acclamation. Moved Don, 2nd Ron: approve the RG ASIE (see www.lsm.us.mensa.org). Passed 6-0. Moved Don, 2nd Ron: approve the education funding motion (see www.lsm.us.mensa.org). Passed 6-0. Moved Don, 2nd Steve: distribute proceeds from the quilt raffle to the scholarship fund & allocate \$100 from the RG general funds distrib. towards the projector. Passed 6-0. Moved Don, 2nd John: reallocate Symposia Prgm revenue & other revenue during the last quarter to bring program revenue closer to 100% of estimates. Passed 6-0. Moved John, 2nd Ron: approve a \$350 scholarship for 2008. Passed 6-0.

Circulation Mgr: Helen reported that she has prepared the annual USPS Form 3526 and it will be published in the Nov newsletter. She also reported that John wrote a pair of scripts to transform the electronic mailing list data into output suitable for Helen to send out bulk emails, saving her a considerable amount of time & trouble each month (~4 hrs/mo). She also reported on an issue in which it appears that a member vanished from the National report without a reason.

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## Lonestar Mensa Executive Committee Approves Scholarship Endowment

It seems that every now and then, a Mensan, often a shiny new one, will write a letter to the editor of the Mensa Bulletin suggesting that Mensa perform public service rather than just party all the time. The first few letters in the October Mensa Bulletin address this topic. Abbie Salny, Ed.D., longtime active Mensan and Honorary President of Mensa International, wrote in to remind Mensans of the work that the Mensa Education and Research Foundation (also called MERF or Mensa Foundation) does. She wrote...

“The Foundation provides dozens of scholarships every year, supports research with awards, publishes an excellent research journal, rewards distinguished teachers, and far, far more. We are indeed carrying out the second purpose of our Mensa constitution, to help mankind, but we need to make it more widely known.”

On a local level, Lonestar Mensa supports the Mensa Foundation scholarship program by participating in the Mensa Foundation scholarship contest and donating money for a local scholarship winner. In the past, this funding has been voted on anew each year by our Executive Committee. This year, on October 3rd, the ExComm approved establishment of a scholarship endowment of \$6,000. This endowment will provide \$300 per year to be used only to support our annual scholarship award. This money will supplement the money we receive from donations to the scholarship fund and from fund raisers dedicated to our scholarship awards, such as the raffles at the LonestaRG.

In a separate action, the Executive committee approved establishment of a separate \$6,000 fund generating \$300 interest to support other aspects of our education program, such as gifted children.

If you would be interested in working with the LSM Education Program, either judging scholarship contest entries or helping with activities and support for gifted children, please contact Claudia Harbert (scholarships; mensascholarships@gmail.com) or Michele Vaughan (gifted children; lonestar.gifted.children@gmail.com).

### ***ExComm cont'd:***

Discussed an issue with the Nov. NL. Normally Nov.'s issue is sent to all members, because it includes the ballot. However, we have a large number of e-dist recipients now, & it would be expensive & cumbersome to send them paper copies of the NL. A ballot printed from the e-dist NL would be counted the same as any other, so there is no reason to send anyone a copy unless that person lacks access to a printer. Moved John, 2nd Ron: Helen will email all e-dist subscribers asking if they want a paper copy of the ballot. Only those who respond "yes" shall be sent a paper copy. Passed 6-0. Janet adjourned at 7:10.

## What's Happening in November?

### **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, November 3**

**7:00-10:00pm**

Karen McMackin's house

7211 Lakewood Dr #123, Austin (512) 497-7211

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.

### **ExComm Meeting**

**Wednesday, November 7 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**

**Tuesday, November 13 7:00pm**

Austin Public Library, North Village Branch

2139 West Anderson Lane, Austin

"An LSM Celebration of Gifted Children" Details on pg 4.

### **Fold & Sticker**

**Thursday, November 26 6:00pm**

Central Market, Austin. See TGIT

for directions.

Help us assemble the newsletter!

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**November**

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday                  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday | Saturday                    |
|--------|--------|--------------------------|-------------|---|--------|-----------------------------|
|        |        |                          |             | <br>1<br>TGIT                           | 2      | 3<br>1st Saturday<br>Bridge |
| 4      | 5      | 6                        | 7<br>ExComm | <br>8<br>TGIT                           | 9      | 10                          |
| 11     | 12     | 13<br>Monthly<br>Meeting | 14          | <br>15<br>TGIT<br><i>Dillo Deadline</i> | 16     | 17                          |
| 18     | 19     | 20                       | 21          | <br>22<br>TGIT                          | 23     | 24                          |
| 25     | 26     | 27                       | 28          | <br>29<br><i>Fold &amp; Sticker</i>     | 30     |                             |

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