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Just outside the Petrified Forest National Park, AZ

-photo by Rachael Stewart, 2009



September Monthly Meeting



Dr Clare Wuellner, Executive Director the Center For Inquiry Austin

<http://www.centerforinquiry.net/austin> The Center For Inquiry offers an opportunity to join other rationalists to work for positive change in society. In addition, the Austin Center sponsors social events for freethinkers as well as intellectual programming, and assists with campus outreach. It is critical that rationalists and freethinkers join together to protect civil liberties, defend reason, and work toward increasing scientific literacy. Come find out how CFI Austin is working to make our

corner of the world a more reasoned place.

In the Pipeline

October 6: Ricardo Guerrero of Stwittergy <http://www.stwittergy.com>

A presentation on Twitter. If you've heard of Twitter and wondered what all the fuss is about then you won't want to miss this presentation.

The Programs calendar is subject to change. Check the LSM web site <http://www.lsm.us.mensa.org> for last minute changes, or contact me directly. -- Mike Makuch, mike8@makuch.org

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LonestaRG Committee

Chair: John Neemidge

Members: *Facilities* John Neemidge, *Hospitality* Andrew & Kem Edelstein, *Hotel* Robin Beadles, *Payments* Patty Drumtra, *Programs* Geri Neemidge/Linda Edelstein, *Publicity* Helen Siders/Paul Anderson, *Registration* Jane K. Thompson/Barbara Wilson, *Scholarship* Valarie Kaiser, *Security* Ron Edelstein, *Tastings* Kathie Lawler/Patsy Graham, *Testing* Ellen Lukasik, *Treasurer* Don Drumtra

Lots of help is needed at the RG. Please let John know if you can spare some time to volunteer.

If you are interested in helping with LSM activities in any of the vacant positions listed above, please contact Ron Edelstein: aduana@mindspring.com or 512-491-9881.

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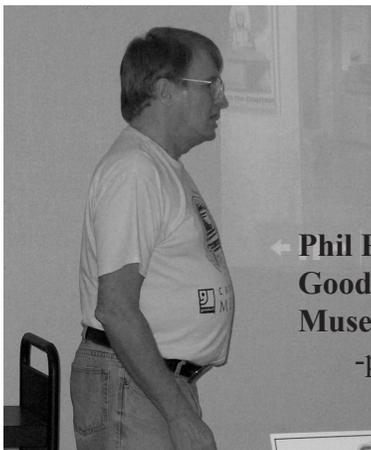
Edelstein's Gems

-by Ron Edelstein, LSM LocSec

Well, Linda and I just got back from a 4,000 mile round robin of the Great Southwest in July. We were able to see our first and second great grandsons in Los Angeles and Las Vegas and spend some time in Salt Lake City so Linda could pursue her genealogy research. On the way, we had the chance to visit and have dinner with Sandra Smith, the editor of the El Paso Mensa newsletter. I had struck up an online acquaintance with her some time ago because she shares a history with the U.S. Customs Service, during the same time as I and also on the Mexican border. I find that, like LSM, she has difficulty beating material for the newsletter out of the bushes. Seems to be a problem everywhere.

Coming to that: I heard some feedback from the U.S. Postal Service representative who had reviewed our newsletter as part of a routine process in validating our postal certificate. Said it seems we only post officer positions and financial reports and a little bit of calendar. Well, unfortunately, he is right. I know we've got some talented writers out there, so how about sharing with your fellow LSM members and sending short articles to our editor which could be included in the newsletter. This month we are going to be mostly full of the bylaws, which we are required to publish to the membership 90 days prior to a vote on whether to accept or reject them. But beginning next month, it would be nice to see some stories of high adventure, tall tales (Hey! We're Texans! We can do tall tales!) or just things you think other LSM members would be interested in. Editorial staff has final say in what gets published, depending on space, raciness of content, etc. However, good articles that don't get published one month may get in at a later date.

Let's hear it from the membership! And also let's hear it from the membership when the ballots for the new bylaws go out and for the officers for next year, and VOTE! Considering the voter turnout we've been seeing in the past, every vote cast has the chance of swinging the election. We don't have a "Ballot Box 19", so every vote counts!



← **Phil Ryals talks about the Goodwill Computer Museum**

-photo by Don Drumtra

Bylaws Committee Final Report

-submitted by Don Drumtra, Bylaws Committee Chair

Having completed its work on July 23, 2009 the LSM Bylaws Committee is pleased to submit its final report to the ExComm and LSM membership. This report consists of four parts: a report of the final meeting of the Committee which together with previous reports from our first report published in the December, 2007 Armadillo Literary Gazette through this final report, summarizes the work of the committee from its first meeting of its session on January 10, 2008 through its final meeting on July 25; details of the work of the committee; a the Proposed LSM Bylaws; and committee recommendations.

Final Meeting: The nineteenth meeting and final meeting of the LSM Bylaws Committee convened from 3:58 PM, July 25 to 12:38 PM, July 27 via email. This was a special meeting called by the Chairman to wrap up committee business. The LSM Bylaws Committee unanimously ratified the two previous email votes approving the proposed bylaws revisions to satisfy the National Bylaws Committee. On July 23, the National Bylaws Committee Chair granted LSM permission to send the proposed amendments to a vote of Lone Star Mensa's membership. The LSM Bylaws Committee, noting that it had completed the work assigned to it by its ExComm charter, adopted a motion that the LSM Bylaws Committee rise and that the Chair be authorized to present to the ExComm for adoption at their next meeting the committee's final report consisting of the proposed bylaws as submitted July 23 to the National Bylaws Committee in the forms delivered to the ExComm and posted on the Website together with a recommendation that the ExComm and the bylaws for distribution to the membership and balloting.

Details of Committee Work: These are available on the LSM Website, <http://lonestar.us.mensa.org/bylaws/>

Proposed LSM Bylaws: The Proposed LSM Bylaws dated, July 23, 2009, are available on the LSM Website in page size format http://lonestar.us.mensa.org/bylaws/bylaws_committee/resources/LSMProposedBylaws20090723.pdf and in booklet format http://lonestar.us.mensa.org/bylaws/bylaws_committee/resources/LSMProposedBylaws20090723B.pdf

Recommendation: The ExComm adopt the Proposed LSM Bylaws in the two formats on the Website with preference for the booklet form and publish the bylaws for the membership approval according to current bylaws.

As Chair, I would like to publically thank the members of the committee for their devotion to the project over the past 18 months. I truly appreciate their many hours of preparation and meeting in order to reach consensus on all parts of the proposed bylaws.

Proposed Bylaws

(See insert)

-submitted by Don Drumtra

On July 23, the Mensa National Bylaws Committee granted permission to send the following proposed bylaws to a vote of Lone Star Mensa's membership as an amendment to the current bylaws.

In December, 2007, as many readers are aware, the ExComm established a Special Committee to rewrite our bylaws to bring them up to date with the American Mensa Minimum Standard Bylaws and to provide better ways of managing our organization. The ExComm wanted this to be a completely open process so reports were issued monthly in this newsletter and the details of work were posted on the LSM Website as the proposed bylaws were being developed. Members were asked to participate in the process and to send their thoughts and ideas to the committee and several members did.

After 14 months of work, the draft was unanimously approved by the LSM ExComm and sent to the National Bylaws Committee for consideration and permission to ballot. After three rounds of discussion, and minor revisions the proposed bylaws were approved for consideration by the LSM membership.

The proposed bylaws offer four major changes in how we manage the Lone Star Mensa for the benefit of our members:

- The proposed bylaws allow electronic voting. Many organizations are adopting electronic voting practices to make voting easier for their members. Our current bylaws require all voting to be done by paper. Under the proposed bylaws paper will still be the default voting method but electronic voting will be allowed for those who desire it.
- The proposed bylaws change our election process so that we do not deny members who wish to lead the group from serving. Currently, if two of our members volunteer to run for LocSec, only one will be elected. The other is automatically denied position on the ExComm until the next election cycle and the local group loses valuable leadership talent. Under the proposed bylaws, the membership elects a Board of Officers who will in turn elect the LocSec from the elected officers. Officers who are not elected LocSec will still be able to participate as a member of the Board.
- Under the proposed bylaws, half the Board members will be elected each year to two year overlapping terms providing much needed continuity to the leadership of LSM.
- Under the proposed bylaws, the four Standing Committees we currently have are given permanent status and the Chairs are voting members of the Board.

In addition to these, many other minor changes and corrections have been made to address Mensa minimum requirements and specific concerns members have expressed. Copies of both the current bylaws and proposed bylaws are posted on the LSM Website.

According to Mensa rules, members must be given 90 days to vote on the new bylaws. Ballots will be provided the October edition of the Gazette that will be mailed to all members. Ron Edelstein appointed an election committee to count the ballots and certify the results with Barbara Wilson as Chair and Linda Edelstein as one of two members. The other position is vacant. If you would like to serve in the committee, please contact Ron. The ExComm encourages all members to vote when the time comes.



From the RVC

-by Roger Durham, Region 6 RVC

In a previous column, I mentioned the idea of getting a group together to travel by train to the Annual Gathering in Dearborn, MI next summer. Several people contacted me to express interest, so I have been doing a little research, and it looks quite feasible. Here's how it would work:

The Texas Eagle leaves San Antonio at 7:00am (probably on Monday, June 28). South Texas M's could start there and be joined by other M's in Austin (9:31am), Fort Worth (2:20pm), Dallas, 3:40pm), Longview (6:15pm), and Little Rock (11:34pm). M's from Oklahoma could leave Oklahoma City on a connecting train to Fort Worth (the Heartland Flyer) that departs at 8:25am. We'd reach Chicago the next afternoon at 1:52pm, and change to the Wolverine, leaving Chicago at 6:00pm and arriving in Dearborn at midnight on Tuesday, June 29.

On the way home, we'd leave Dearborn on Monday, July 5 at 7:11am, and arrive in Chicago at 11:24am, change to the Texas Eagle, departing at 1:45pm, then go through the whole thing in reverse, with groups leaving the train all along the way, and the South Texas contingent arriving back in San Antonio at 10:25pm Tuesday night. The Oklahoma folks would change trains in Fort Worth, with the Eagle arriving at 1:55pm Tuesday and the Flyer leaving at 5:25pm, arriving back in OKC at 9:39pm.

With advance-purchase, folks from West Texas, New Mexico, Houston, and New Orleans who want to join the party can probably fly Southwest to Dallas for under \$100 round-trip, and for \$17.00 Super Shuttle will take you to the Hyatt Regency, which is connected by a pedestrian tunnel to the Amtrak station. Shreveport has a bus connection directly to the train at Longview.

Amtrak cannot guarantee fares this far in advance, but they say they do not expect any major fare increases between now and next summer. At present-day fare levels, the round-trip coach fare from anywhere in Region 6 would be less than \$300, after the 20% group discount. Amtrak allows passengers to bring their own coolers with beverages and food, and the train has both a club car serving snacks and sandwiches and a dining car serving full meals. The seats are large and comfortable, and recline almost flat for sleeping.

I realize that this would take a few extra days, but on the other hand, it's the equivalent of extending the AG by four days, and the cost is certainly competitive with either flying or driving. In order to pursue this further with Amtrak, I need a headcount to be able to tell them, at a rough guess, how many people would be boarding at each station. I have asked the ever-helpful Howard Prince at the National Office to set up a special e-mail account just for this purpose. If such a trip sounds interesting, please e-mail me at AGTrain@region6.us.mensa.org with your name and the city where you would be boarding. This is just an expression of interest at this time, not a firm commitment. If I get a sufficient number of responses, I'll see about setting up a group account with Amtrak and let you all know what comes next.

(Note: See addendum on page 6.)



It All Started with One Little Model Rocket

The last in our series of winning scholarship contest essays won a scholarship at the national level! We are proud of Alexis Avram, a UT student who won the David Mann Scholarship (for study of aeronautical engineering or an aerospace field). Alexis, how about joining Mensa? Mensa offers lots to do in your spare time! Here is her winning essay:

Engineering is often defined as “the art or science of making practical application of the knowledge of pure sciences, such as physics or chemistry.” In addition, the term itself is seemingly always paired with shudders and cringes about the meticulous, arduous workload it entails. Ironically, it is these two things that drew me so into the profession that it became my declaration to make engineering my forever-growing academic passion. The fact that textbook knowledge and imagination can combine to create the most mystical and powerful machine to this day always shoots a rush of adrenaline through my veins. My most day-dreamed about object is the rocket and my fascination with Aerospace Engineering guides the many pathways I have set for myself in the future.

It all started with one little model rocket. This simple machine was the foundation of many projects to come. My first

experience of watching this small, hardly what anyone could call aerodynamic tube shoot up in the sky and explode was not particularly pleasant, but the follow up work of fixing the problems and reanalyzing the rocket opened my mind to dual paths of creativity and pure science, an invigorating combination. From there I continued my newly discovered aerospace passion with Sci-Tech, a class with roughly 5% girls: me. After initially being discouraged by classmates, I rose to the challenge and excelled in more massive rockets and space related projects. Senior year of high school, I emailed a prestigious professor at the University of Texas at Austin, who had received his doctorate in Orbital Mechanics, asking him to be an academic mentor for a research paper I had to write. This paper had minimal requirements; however, I enjoyed driving to the Engineering Library every Saturday and being buried way over my head in books from NASA, private companies, and professors so much that it turned into a six month endeavor and a 65 page research paper titled, “*How is physics applied in orbital maneuvering through static and electrodynamic tethers?*” This research paper led me to currently be an undergraduate at UT Aerospace.

My goal for the future is to be an aerospace engineer, or better yet, a rocket scientist. I hope to be an active asset to a space agency where I can live my dream of working with rocket engines and propulsion. The grinding of parts, creation of data storage systems, and the transformation of physics and chemistry into a massive, powerful space rocket would be part of my daily checklist. I hope to continue my work with electrodynamic tethers and expand the research of exotic propulsion through a doctorate work. Lastly, I can only hope to do one more thing and that is to give back through teaching. After I have had my playtime in the aerospace sandbox, I hope to become the teacher that motivated me to pursue my goals and careers so fervently.

I have taken on many responsibilities to further enhance the probability of working in my dream profession. I am currently employed under Professor Pablo Cortez in the Aerospace Electronics Shop. As part of a team, we essentially set up all electrical components for professor's own research projects, graduate research, and the various aerospace clubs around campus. The team has built flight simulators, wind tunnels, and circuit boards for satellites. He is my personal teacher in that he specifically guides me through each step of creating these components and introducing me to highly technical software required for data storage. In addition, my high performance in the first Aerospace Course at UT, taught by former Secretary of Defense Hans Mark, ended with an offer to work at NASA Ames Research Center. At just 18, I have actively taken on the role of expanding any opportunity to work with someone well emerged in the field of rocket science. I am willing to put as much effort as it takes to become who I want to be and to surround myself in my dreams, to the point where dreams become reality.

August ExComm Minutes

-submitted by Don Drumtra, ExComm Secretary

The regular monthly meeting of the Lonestar Mensa Executive Committee (ExComm) convened at 6:00 PM, August 5, 2009, at the Northwest Community Center, 2913 Northland Dr., Austin, TX. Attending were: President Ron Edelstein Chairman; Vice-President Don Drumtra Secretary; Treasurer Patty Drumtra; Members-at-Large Paul Anderson and Kathie Lawler; Newsletter Circulation Manager Helen Siders; and LSM member Linda Edelstein. The ExComm approved without debate the agenda and the July 8 ExComm minutes published in the August Armadillo Literary Gazette (ALG) page 9.

Ron announced his appointment of Barbara Wilson as Chair of the following three special committees and that he was seeking volunteers to serve on the committee.

- The Bylaws Election Committee for voting on the proposed bylaws.
- The Nomination Committee for next year's LSM elected officers (the 2010 ExComm officers under the current bylaws or, if the proposed bylaws are approved, the 2010-1012 Board officers).
- The Election Committee for next year's LSM elected officers.

He also appointed Kathie as Acting Calendar Coordinator until a volunteer takes over calendar content responsibilities and Linda as a member of the Bylaws Election Committee.

The ExComm ratified the July 9, 15, and 16 email votes on responses to National Bylaws Committee comments and associated proposed bylaws revisions as posted on the Website. It also ratified the email vote to maintain in the proposed bylaws the current simple majority vote to adopt bylaws amendments.

Patty reported that LSM is in good financial health, that the projected RG expenses are within the current spending limit, and that the RG is projected to break even. The ExComm adopted the report without debate. Financial reports are available to members on the LSM Website and by request; quarterly reports are also published in the ALG.

Kathie, Communications Chair, reported that her committee was considering the best way to print and mail the proposed bylaws in the September ALG. She also reported that she is looking for volunteers to be Calendar Coordinator.

*Michele Vaughan, Gifted Children Coordinator, reported for the Education Committee that one or two gifted children events are being planned for the remainder of 2009. Watch the newsletter for further details.

*Ellen Lukasik Testing Coordinator, reported for the Membership Committee, that the next testing sessions are sched-

uled for Saturday, September 5, at the RG in Round Rock, and for Saturday, October 17, Mensa National Testing Day, also in Round Rock. September is Free GMAT month offering no fee qualification review of GMAT scores for admission to Mensa.

*Mike Makuch, Programs Officer, reported for the Symposia Committee that the August program had a large turnout and was a great success. Ron passed out Mensa discount coupons for the August 15 testing session. Helen suggested that planning should begin on the Christmas Program. Future programs are listed on the LSM Website.

Don, Bylaws Committee Chairman, provided the final report of the Bylaws Committee printed elsewhere in the ALG and on the Website. The ExComm adopted the report with the exception of format preference. Preference was scheduled for debate at the December ExComm meeting.

Don, LonestarRG Treasurer reported for the LonestarRG Committee, that the committee met on July 25, that most of the committee positions have been filled, and that the committee plans to meet twice before the RG. He also reported that current projections show that the required 50 room nights will be met and that the event will break even or make a little money to contribute to scholarships, LSM operations, and future RGs. The ExComm adopted a Standing Rule, ASIE 2009-11, amending ASIE 1999-10-01 on RG Leftovers as posted on the Website.

The ExComm members discussed the draft Special Rule on the Annual Election Calendar posted on the Website. It was scheduled for debate at the September meeting.

Don announced that the next regular monthly ExComm meetings were scheduled for 6-7 PM, September 9, (second Wednesday), and the first Wednesdays in October, November, and December, at the Northwest Recreation Center multipurpose room. ExComm meetings are open and all Mensa members may attend.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

**Indicates that the officer reported to the ExComm through the secretary.*



Addendum to RVC article:

AMTRAK Discounts. Seniors 62 and older are entitled to a 15% discount on most routes. AAA members are entitled to 10% discount on all routes, as are active duty military members and their spouses. Students and veterans with appropriate Amtrak membership cards are entitled to 15% discounts on most routes. Children 15 and under ride at half price on all routes. See details on the Amtrak website at: http://www.amtrak.com/servlet/ContentServer?pagename=Amtrak/Page/Collection_Page&c=Page&cid=1081442673983

What's Happening in September?

Bridge -- Date TBD

If you are interested in playing party bridge (not duplicate bridge), please contact Janet Kres at 512-836-5773, or JMKres@sbcglobal.net.

Monthly Meeting

1st Tuesday

Tuesday, September 1 7:00-8:45pm

Old Quarry Branch, Austin Public Library
7051 Village Center Drive, Austin
Southeast of the intersection with Far West Blvd.
Speaker: Dr. Clare Wuellner
Topic: The Austin Center for Inquiry

ExComm Meeting

(usually) 1st Wednesday

Wednesday, September 9 6:00-7:00pm

Northwest Recreation Center, Arts & Crafts Room
2913 Northland Drive, Austin
Contact the ExComm Secretary, Don Drumtra, at drumtra@aol.com, 512-291-0315 to get an item on the agenda. Officers are encouraged to attend and all LSM members are welcome.

Dillo Deadline

2nd Thursdays

Thursday September 10 Midnight

By email to scubakathie@gmail.com & bookbird@yahoo.com

Articles submissions are due to the ALG Editor and calendar inputs are due to the Calendar Coordinator by Midnight on the Dillo Date.

Thank Goodness It's Thursday (TGIT)

2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursdays (Moved on Holidays)

Thursday, September 10 at Central Mkt North

Thursday, September 17 at Central Mkt South

Thursday, September 24 at Central Mkt North

Central Market Café **6:00-8:00pm**

Central Market North at Central Park
4001 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin (512) 206-1020

Central Market South at Westgate
4477 S. Lamar Blvd., Austin (512) 899-4300

Meet us at the Café after work for fun, conversation, and food. Prospective members welcome.

Central Market (North) Café is located on the south side of

the Central Market grocery store in the Central Park shopping center east of N. Lamar between 38th and 41st Streets. We usually meet upstairs but if there is party, look for us downstairs or outside.

Central Market (South) Café is located on the east side of the Central Market grocery store in the Westgate Mall on the south side of S. Lamar access road (the south access road of I-290/SR71) between Westgate Blvd. and Frontier Trl. Look for the Mensa sign. or folks with Mensa shirts.

Games Night

3rd Saturday

Saturday, September 19 7:00-11:00pm

Hosted by Patsy Graham
5804 Shoal Creek Blvd, Austin, TX 78757
Bring your favorite beverage; I'll have some small snacks. I have several games but if you have a favorite bring it along. Please RSVP to mensapats@att.net so I'll have an idea of how many to expect.

Fold & Sticker

Thursday, September 24 6:00-8:00pm

Central Market Cafe, Austin
4001 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin (512) 206-1020
Help fold and label the newsletter. Prospective members welcome. See TGIT for directions.

Coming in October

Monthly Meeting

1st Tuesday

Tuesday, October 6 7:00-8:45pm

Old Quarry Branch, Austin Public Library
7051 Village Center Drive, Austin
Southeast of the intersection with Far West Blvd.
Speaker: Richard Guerrero
Topic: Twitter

ExComm Meeting

2nd Wednesday

Wednesday, October 7 6:00-7:00pm

Northwest Recreation Center, Arts & Crafts Room
2913 Northland Drive, Austin
Contact the ExComm Secretary, Don Drumtra, at drumtra@aol.com, 512-291-0315 to get an item on the agenda.

Please send print and Web calendar input and changes to the Calendar Coordinator, Kathie Lawler, 512-267-1843, scubakathie@gmail.com. Monthly calendar inputs are due to Kathie by the Dillo Deadline normally the second Thursday of each month.

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