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THE FINE PRINT

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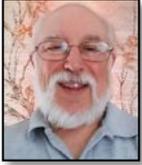
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April is National Humor Month, National Kite Month, National Pecan Month, Stress Awareness Month, Records and Information Management Month

Have a great month from The *Muse*!

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April RVC Column

RVC Rich Olcott

*Whan that Aprille with his shoures soote
The droghte of Marche hath perced to the roote,
And bathed every veyne in swich licour,
And tax papers flutt'ring onto the floor*

Memories of sophomore English class, with Mrs Walters proudly belting out Chaucer in her version of Middle English. OK, except for that last line. Yes, it's the time of year when Americans ante up to pay for all the good things that come with residing where we do. Is the world perfect? Of course not, that'll never happen, but most people try to make things better at least a little.

Which brings me to *Mensa Cares*, our national umbrella for community services projects that Local Groups decide to take on. "What kinds of projects?" you ask. LGs have participated in everything from cleaning up a city park to putting up a team for a charity 5K run to sorting books donated to the local public library (how appropriate for Mensa!). The "official" day this year, April 21, coincides with National Volunteer Week, April 15-22. I guarantee that no-one will say "No" if you pick a more convenient date. One Young Mensans group jumped the gun by using part of their Valentine's Day party to make valentines for seniors.

Odds are you're involved with a local charitable organization that needs help. Maybe you have a different idea for a fun community service project some local Mensans could pitch in on. Now's the

time to stand up, step up, and volunteer to help your LocSec get that ball rolling and maybe gather a little positive notice for Mensa in your community. Be sure to take a couple of photos for your group's newsletter. Send a note about your project to MensaCares@americanmensa.org and there may be T-shirts.

Speaking of Mensan volunteers, a tip of my hat to the teams who judged this year's Scholarship essays. The final numbers haven't crossed my desk yet, but I know a lot of people did a lot of work to see that Mensa Education and Research Foundation money went to deserving applicants. Thanks, folks.

~~ Rich

CONGRATULATIONS!
Mercedes Lindenoak and **Bill James**
WON B/FRM's 2 Free Membership Renewals

**Want a Good Rider (N. Boulder) to
the B/FRM PICNIC? or to a monthly Dinner?**
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APRIL'S PUZZLE!

Fill in the missing words so that a chain is formed with each word suffixing the previous word and prefixing the following word. What are the missing words?

SMOKE _ _ _ _ _ N PLAY _ _ _ U _ _ WORK _ _ R _ _ MEAT

MARCH'S PUZZLE ANSWER!

What number should replace the question mark in this sequence?

1 5 21 ? 341 1365

Answer: 85. Multiply by four then add one each time

From the Mensa UK website, <http://www.mensa.org.uk/>

APRIL'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS!

Mark Your Calendar

Sat. June 16th 7th Annual Picnic

Oh Boy! Louisville's **Dickey's BBQ Pit** is



Catering our picnic again!
Protein and Vegetarian!
FYI/anticipation: Racks of
Ribs, Chicken Breasts, Beef



Brisket, Polish Sausage, 3 Salads (Caesar, Coleslaw, Asiago Spinach), Baked Potato Casserole, Rolls and dessert cookie! Also Chips, and drinks (pop, water) provided (BYOB - no glass). **Next ExComm meeting** will be at our 2018 **7th Annual Picnic** Sat. June 16th at **10:30AM** and **Dickey's BBQ Food** at **11:30AM** (**come early for easier parking!**) at E.G. Fine Park along Boulder Creek (3rd and Arapahoe). **Oh Boy! Oh Boy! You're invited !**

APRIL'S DINNER!
Monday, April 16th

At



1002 Walnut St., Boulder, CO
80302

“The MED is a lively and upbeat restaurant located in the heart of downtown Boulder, Colorado. Our menu is an eclectic collection of the best cuisine the Mediterranean region has to offer.” www.themedboulder.com

Seating begins at 6 and dinner begins at 6:30. Don't forget to prep your brains for a chance to become the Boulder/Front Range Mensa Exalted Skald!

ExComm Meeting Highlights by Jim Stuart

Date: 17 March 2018

Location: Jim Stuart's

Present: **Kim Springer, VeraLouise Kleinfeld-Pfeiffer, John Pfeiffer, Lynn Chambers, Mark Chipman, Dalin Gayle, Tim Kline, Ken Levine, Michael Kearney, Lynn Kearney, Jim Stuart, and Tom Denkenberger** with **Carina Wolfe (to be married 6/9/18 - CONGRATS!)**



After pre-function socializing, the Meeting was promptly called to order at 5:10PM. We heard excellent ExComm members' reports (bank balance is \$1,131) + great tutorial and Q&A by Muse Editor **Kim Springer**, and discussed the **Caterer** for upcoming June 17th **7th Annual Picnic.**

Oh Boy! Louisville's **Dickey's BBQ Pit** is Catering our picnic again! Protein and Vegetarian! FYI/anticipation: Racks of Ribs, Chicken Breasts, Beef

Brisket, Polish Sausage, 3 Salads (Caesar, Coleslaw, Asiago Spinach), Baked Potato Casserole, Rolls and dessert cookie! Also Chips, and drinks (pop, water) provided (BYOB - no glass).



The **short meeting** was adjourned at 5:51PM, to begin the super **Traditional New England Boiled Irish food** (homemade corned beef, cabbage, potatoes) **expertly cooked by VeraLouise Kleinfeld-Pfeiffer and John Pfeiffer**, socializing, eating, imbibing and

lively discussions around living room table. **Next ExComm meeting** will be at our 2018 **7th Annual Picnic** Sat. June 16th at 10:30AM and **Dickey's BBQ Food** at 11:30AM (**come early for easier parking!**) at E.G. Fine Park along Boulder Creek (3rd and Arapahoe). **Oh Boy! Oh Boy! You're invited !**



Mark Your Calendar: Sun. April 8th

Oh Boy! Regis University is hosting its **3rd Annual Science Sunday event** at the **Northwest Denver campus**. On Sunday April 8, 2018 from 1PM-4PM in the Pomponio Science Building, Regis students will host over **two dozen hands-on science activities for kids of all ages**. This event is **FREE and open to the public**. You can explore activities around **astronomy, physics, neuroscience, biology, and chemistry**. Weather permitting we will have telescopes pointed at the Sun for solar viewing too. If kids complete a certain number of activities, they can get a goody bag when they leave. There are a couple of new things this year. **United Launch Alliance** will be hosting an activity using virtual reality headsets. There will be a **speaker series in the Science Amphitheater** where Regis faculty will talk about their research. Visitors can talk with them about their work and ask scientists questions. Explore **more than 24 hands on science demonstrations and activities run by Regis University students**. Visitors of all ages can come learn about **astronomy, chemistry, brain science, physics, psychology, and biology**. Some activities might include **viewing the sun through a telescope***, exploring how your senses work and having fun in the chemistry lab. Kids can earn a goody bag for exploring the fun activities. *Weather permitting. Questions? Contact Regis Astronomer Quyen Hart, Ph.D. qhart@regis.edu or 303-458-4974 @astroquyen Details Sunday, April 8, 2018 1 PM to 4 PM at **Pomponio Science Center**, 3333 W. 50th Ave (Regis Blvd), Denver, CO 80221. All floors - **Free and open to the public. You're invited !**

PHOTOS FROM MURPHY'S!



Steve W. gives the Skald quiz



Bruce R. is crowned with the Skald!



Steve W., Michael K. and Craig S. smile for the camera



Dalin G. and Jim S. enjoy the evening



VeraLouise K-P. and Bruce H. grin together



John P. and Charlene D. enjoy the atmosphere



Chris C., Linda V., and Bruce R. are in good company



Tim K. and Elizabeth B. say “cheese”



Tom D. and Peggy P-S. show their pearly whites

Membership Happenings!



Joining or Rejoining Us

William James, Eugene Osegovic, Peggy Silcox, Wentz Wensel

April's Mensaversaries:

2-9 Years

Tina Braxton, Rhead Smart

10-19 Years

Gary Barkow

20+ Years

Carolann Mahoney, Lloyd Botway, James Griffey,
VeraLouise Kleinfeld-Pfeiffer, John Pfeiffer

Happy April Birthday wishes to:

Blane Yelton, Rachel Friedland, Joseph McMullin, James
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From the Editor

This month, I'll run a half-marathon for the first time.

Most of my training has been during the winter darkness, and there was an unpleasant tie. Which was worse: the cold or people who heckle me from their cars?

As a small act of revenge, I purchased a knitted "squid face" balaclava. Getting my attention startled a couple of vocal drivers.



The Editor, about to start a run, and – perhaps – an urban legend

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