

SUMMER

2011

ROCHESTER AREA MENSA



The Constellation

Hello to All,

It's currently construction season in Rochester, and the RAM Executive Committee is under temporary reconstruction as well. Until the regular election next year, I will be acting as LocSec for the group. Someone will be nominated to backfill my previous position on the board for that interval. We are also seeking someone to take over the job of newsletter editor during that time. If you are interested in either of those positions or would like to recommend someone, please contact me.

We wish to extend a sincere thank you to Kristin Naiko and Tim Wright for their service as LocSec and Newsletter editor respectively. Their efforts were much appreciated, and we look forward to seeing them at future events as time and circumstances permit.

This will be a combined newsletter for the July and August months. The summer is a busy time for everyone, but we hope that some of the included events will fit comfortably into your schedule.

Enjoy the summer,
Julie Stout,
Rochester Area Mensa Acting LocSec

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by Betsy Yvonne Mark, RVC3 June 2011

This is going to be short and sweet. I have been very busy since returning home from Florida with my duties as Registrar for SEMMantics XXXII, the Seminal Event of 2011, Southeast Michigan Mensa's Regional Gathering. A fabulous event it was. There were attendees from the entire region, as well as from California, Florida, Illinois and our neighbors to the south, Canada. I heard wonderful things about Dayton's Regional Gathering and was truly sorry to have missed it for the first time in years. If you have

never attended a regional gathering, please do so soon and attend one in our region. I've attended gatherings across the nation and Region 3's are the very best! See the list below.

Register Now! The price is going from \$100 to \$110 after June 15 for the Annual Gathering in Portland, Oregon: A Great Journey West, June 30-July 4. Tour announcements and other information may be found at:

<http://www.ag2011.us.mensa.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Sitemap1&Template=/CM/SiteMap.cfm>

The registration form can be found at:

http://www.ag2011.us.mensa.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Register_Online7&Template=/customsource/cfa/uthnet_sim/forms/ag11/ag_1.cfm

I will be there and hope to see you at the Region 3 Meet and Greet.

Register now for the following Region 3 events:

*July 29, 2011 - July 31, 2011 - Columbus Regional Gathering; The Write Stuff in Columbus, Ohio. Enjoy the pool, games, speakers and family track. Guests: NYT best-selling authors William H. Keith and Kenneth Sewell. All meals included with registration; complimentary hot breakfast with room reservation. Ramada East Airport Hotel, 4801 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43213; 614/861-0321. Contact Julia at [her email](#).

*September 2, 2011 - September 5, 2011 - Western PA Regional Gathering; The Birds and the Bees in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Programs, Tournaments, Games, Food, Friends and Fun - pool and hot tub. Two catered meals included in registration. Radisson Hotel, Pittsburgh (Greentree), 412 922 8400 or 800 333 3333 ask for Western PA Mensa rate. Contact: Marty Flowers at [her email](#). WPAM website <http://wpam.us.mensa.org>

*December 2, 2011 - December 4, 2011 - Cincinnati Regional Gathering; Just for Your CAMusement! in Cincinnati, Ohio

I am looking forward to seeing you soon.

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by Betsy Yvonne Mark, RVC3 July 2011

With much gratitude I begin my second term as Regional Vice Chair for the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley Region of American Mensa. I am honored to continue representing Region 3 on Mensa's Board of Directors. I look forward to the next 2 years. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has served as a local officer, proctored a test, edited a newsletter, contributed to a newsletter, served on any Mensa committee, attended any Mensa function, read any Mensa publication, or done anything else that has

supported Mensa. You have made my experience as a Mensan and your RVC wonderful and I thank you for your efforts. Please consider enhancing your Mensa experience by getting involved. In fact, you could be Region 3's next RVC. As much as I truly love what I have done and am doing, I will not be running for a 3rd term. Do consider serving Mensa in this most awesome way!

I had a great time visiting with Vandalia Mensans in Charleston, West Virginia, at the end of May. I was sorry that those who live in the Morgantown area were not able to join me for lunch. Next year!

As you read this column I hope you are at the Annual Gathering in Portland, Oregon, where I am. I know I'm having an awesome time!

I am hoping to attend the RGs listed below (okay, so the December AMC meeting conflicts with the Cincinnati RG and that makes me not happy, but you go and enjoy!) and to visit those Region 3 local groups who do not have RGs during the coming months. With early deadlines for newsletters, I may not be able to announce my presence in advance, but I will do so by posting to the Yahoo and Facebook sites listed after my salutation. Sometimes I even make an unexpected appearance at a group's activity.

Register now for the following Region 3 events:

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LLAP* and Peace,
Betsy

[email](#)

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734-434-5757 (Home) or 313-530-2055 (Mobile)

Region 3 Website - <http://www.region3.us.mensa.org/>

Yahoo group - <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AMR3/>

Facebook group - <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=71515809887>

* Live Long and Prosper – from Spock in Star Trek

July 2011 Events

Thursday, July 7 @ 7 PM – **First Thirstday** at **Castaways**, 244 Lake Rd., Webster. Take Bay Rd. north to Lake Rd., make a left on Lake Rd., and Castaways is about ½ mile down on the right (323-2943). Castaways is one of our favorite summer weather stops with good food and potential for a breathtaking sunset over the lake from their deck. Bring a sweater or light jacket, as we hope to sit outside, space and weather permitting.

Saturday, July 16 @ 7 PM – **Dinner** at a Fairport favorite: **Eastside Cafe**

303 Macedon Center Rd. (31F), Fairport, NY 14450 (585)223-7463

<http://www.eastsidecafepizzapastaandmore.com>

Note that Eastside Cafe is on route 31F, not route 31 -- two completely

different roads. RSVP to Bob Walton by Thursday, 7/14 @ 377-1686 if you plan to attend.

Directions:

From Fairport four corners (intersection of 31F and 250), take 31F east, make sharp left at traffic light (Turk Hill Rd/31F), then sharp right at next traffic light (Macedon Center Rd./31F), go about 0.8 miles. Eastside cafe is on the right, the last business on a little strip road to the side. Turn off of 31F onto the strip road before you get to Eastside Cafe.

Wanted– Newsletter Editor

If you would like to help publish the leading Mensa publication in Rochester, contact Julie Stout at (585)225-3020.

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Note: In the unlikely event there is a problem with our reservation when we arrive, we may need to make a decision to move to another venue on the spot. We will wait a half hour before moving to allow for late arrivals, so try not to arrive later than this so you know where we are in the event of a move.

August 2011 Events

Thursday, August 4 @ 7PM - **First Thirstday** at **Marge's Lakeside Inn**, 4909 Culver Rd., Irondequoit, at the end of Rt. 590 North (323-1020). It is best to park at the boat launch, then get takeout at Don's Original across the street. Wash it down with Marge's drinks while viewing the sunset over the lake! We plan to sit outside, so bring a sweater or light jacket.

<http://www.margeslakesideinn.com/>

Saturday, August 27 @ 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM– **Mensa Family Pool Party, Stout Residence**, 11 Grecian Parkway, Greece. Picnic food will be provided; bring your own alcoholic beverages if desired. RSVP to (585) 225-3020 by Wednesday, August 24.

Thursday, September 1 - **First Thirstday** at **Beale Street Café**, 1930 Empire Blvd., Webster, across from Wegmans (216-1070). Enjoy Cajun food, drinks, and those shiny Mardi Gras beads! Plenty of parking, too.

<http://www.bealestreetcafe.com/index.html>

Wanted– RAM Board Member

If you would like to be considered for the vacant position on the Rochester Area Mensa Board of Directors, contact Julie Stout at (585)225-3020.

AUGUST 2011

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