

MENSAGE

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From the RVC, Bob Cox

You may think that not many people know about Mensa. Not so. The year got off to a busy Mensa start. Mensa On-line Home Tests were free in January. About 6,000 prospects took the test. This year Mensa Foundation Scholarships were received electronically. Applications closed at midnight, January 15. Almost 10,000 people applied, many of them in the last few hours. All this was a bit much for our computer network. It went down a couple of times when Scholarship Chairs tried to download the essays. This, along with an untried program, made life a little harder for our Scholarship Chairs, but they hung in there and got the job done. Let's all give a big thanks to these members, who have done a great job.

Paul Moeller has taken over as LocSec of Central South Carolina Mensa from Mike Zaccone, who remains as Editor. Nora Newcomb is Editor of The Wire, the newsletter of Montgomery/Wire Grass Mensa, replacing outgoing Editor, Barbara Hoover.

If you have not yet renewed your Mensa membership, now is the time to do it. You can do it painlessly on the Mensa website with your credit card. For the best deals, consider multiple years or life membership.

The Carolinah RG is April 26-28 in Greenville, SC. Registrations for this popular gathering are well ahead of last year, when 120 attended. Registration is \$65.00 until the end of March. Great hotel room rates are guaranteed until March 26, but are filling fast. Go to their website www.piedmontareamensa.org for registration information.

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National and International elections will be coming up soon. Your vote is important. Among other positions, there are two candidates for AMC Chairman and two for RVC 5. One position you won't have to vote for is International Chair. Elissa Rudolph will take that post unopposed.

Enjoy Mensa.

From Your Act.LocSec

I handed out copies of the proposed by-laws at the meeting last Thursday. There are maybe two changes that I have to make, then copies will be distributed to the group.

On Friday, February 22, I attended the District competition of MathCounts. There were 6 teams, Picayune, Long Beach, Ocean Springs, Stone County and two teams from North Gulfport, 7th and 8th grades. It was an interesting and exciting 5 hours. North Gulfport, 7th grader, Jonathan, won first overall in the Individual category. This is a great achievement because Jonathan had to compete against 8th graders. Jonathan is moving on to compete in the State competition in Jackson. Two other North Gulfport students were 3rd and 8th respectively. North Gulfport 8th grade team came in second in the Team category. I was disappointed that North Gulfport teams did not have their T-shirts (South Mississippi donated funds for the T-shirts). North Gulfport MathCounts teams are coached by my brother, Sidney Wong. Sidney's work was also recognized. He won two awards - Coach of 1st Individual and 2nd Team.

Janet

**Membership Changes
Date Ending: 1/31/2013**

Members in Group, beginning count	37
Members leaving Group	< 0 >
Members entering Group	3
Total members in Group	40

Welcome to reinstating members, Nicolae Alstrand Holley, Robert Melvin Newton II, and James L Sanders, all of Biloxi. Hope you'll join us at our monthly MTE (Meet to eat).

March Birthdays	Date	Mensaversaries	Years
Adam Harris	21	Janet Signer	22
		Bryce Deano	4
		Alice McGrath	2
		Marshall Johnson	1

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MTE

February's MTE - was at Lil' Ray's, Long Beach. Present were Roy and Mere, Joe and Natalie, Wayne, Tom and Janet. Again many thanks to Roy and Tom.

March's MTE - we're looking forward to meeting Carrie Pate, Vancleave. The MTE will be **FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 5:30 PM** at Mr. Greek, 1670 Pass Rd. Ste H, Biloxi, 432-7888.