

MENSAGE

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From the RVC, Bob Cox

My term as RVC is winding down. I have now visited each of the twenty local groups in Region 5. By the time this goes to print, I will have attended my final AMC meeting. I still have a few RVC columns to write, and some other duties to take care of. I will be at the Carolinah RG, April 26-28 in Greenville, SC, and will have a session there. I am still here to help you and your group in any way I can. I will, of course, be at the Annual Gathering in Fort Worth but will have no official duties there. I hope you will be there, too.

Central Alabama Mensa has a new Editor, Christina Humphries. I am sad to announce the passing of Vic Stanton, long time active member and the previous Editor of M-Port, the newsletter of South Coast Mensa. 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 greatest experience that Mensa has to offer is the Annual Gathering. It is the place to meet old friends and make new ones. This year it will be in Fort Worth, Texas, July 3-7. It will be my 29th, and I don't plan to miss any more. Full registration is \$120.00 through March 31, and then \$140.00. There are also day rates and special rates for youngsters. Don't delay any longer to reserve your hotel room, if you have not done so already. I hear that the second hotel is already fully booked. There is a third. Go to www.ag.us.mensa.org to register and for more details.

How is that New Year's resolution to be more involved in Mensa working out? As well as attending local activities and Regional and Annual Gatherings, there are many other ways to be involved.

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Submit something for your chapter's newsletter. There are about 120 Special Interest Groups. Look at the list in the March Mensa Bulletin, I am sure you will find several that interest you. On page 12 of the same issue you will find how to enter the Mensa International Photo Contest. Mensa has lots more to offer.

Enjoy Mensa.

From Your Act.LocSec

I made a terrible mistake with the MTE. I had scheduled it for March 15 but was so sure we were to meet March 22, that I didn't go to Mr. Greek on Friday, March 15. When I sent out the MTE reminders for March 22, Carrie wrote saying she and some others had been March 15. I felt just awful. My apologies to Carrie, Tom and Elizabeth Hill. Anyway we met again Friday, March 22.

Janet

**Membership Changes
Date Ending: 2/28/2013**

Members in Group, beginning count	40
Members leaving Group	< 0 >
Members entering Group	2
Total members in Group	42

Welcome to member moving in, Jacob Adamo, of Picayune, and new member, Lauren Ladner of Ocean Springs. Lauren is Eric's (our Webmaster) daughter. Congratulations. Hope you'll join us at our monthly MTE (Meet to eat).

April Birthdays		Mensaversaries	
	Date		Years
Carol Hilborn	10	Joseph Kirkby	23
Wayne Ellzey	13	Carol Hilborn	4
Jerry Molaison	16	Eric Mobley	1
James Sanders	20		
Cristin Cole	26		

MTE

March's MTE - was at Mr. Greek's. Present were Carrie Pate, Roy, Wayne, Tom and Janet. Good to meet you, Carrie. Hope you can make it to many more.

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April's MTE - will be at North Beach Restaurant, 200 North Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, on Thursday, April 18, 5:30 pm. Check out the menu at www.200northbeach.com/menu.html, phone 228-467-9388.