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## EXCOMmunications - August 2010

By: Maria Sawczuk, Local Secretary

\*Heavy sigh\* The 2010 Annual Gathering is over. Four years of planning for 6 days of events and now it's over. It was a marvelous gathering, and I really want to thank my committee for making it so – especially the number of Delaware Mensa members who stepped up to assist, both on the committee and at the event itself. You guys are awesome!

So, now that it's over, whatever will I do with my life? Oh yea – pay more attention to my local group! Sorry I've been a little absent recently, but I intend to make it up to you.

The ExComm is having a meeting on Tuesday, August 17 at Dee's house. I'd love to see some members attend as well. The group thrives on your new ideas. If you've never been to anything before, but you keep saying "one of these days..." well – make this one of those days. We are a low-key, informal group, and you won't feel uncomfortable at a "business" meeting. If you can't make it, email me your ideas. Help us plan an amazing fall and winter!

Speaking of gatherings, Delaware Mensa is hosting its Fourth Annual Regional Gathering – Fun and Games – on September 10-12 at the Howard Johnson's Inn and Suites and Conference Center on Route 896 near I-95. Yes, this is a new hotel this year and the hotel rate couldn't be cheaper - \$59.99 per night single, \$67.99 for a suite (plus tax)! So even if you're local, you'll want to stay at the hotel so you don't need to ever leave the fun!

For those who don't know what happens at an RG, we have speakers, round-the-clock hospitality, a newly ex-

### Directory of Local Officers

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panded games room and nightly entertainment. All for \$60 if you register before August 31 (\$70 thereafter)! Also, if you register before August 15<sup>th</sup>, you'll be entered into a drawing for a \$50 Target Gift Card! Go to our website, [www.delaware.us.mensa.org](http://www.delaware.us.mensa.org) and click on "Regional Gathering" for more info and to sign up! (And book your hotel room soon – it's a Blue Hen Football home weekend!)

That's all for now – hope to see you soon at one of our events!

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## Computer Haiku

Yesterday it worked.  
Today it is not working.  
Windows is like that

## COMING EVENTS!

### A PROPER AFTERNOON TEA

Join Delaware Mensa for a proper afternoon tea. We will meet at the British Bell Tea Room in Peoples Plaza in Glasgow on Saturday August 14 at 1 pm. Afternoon tea, complete with sandwiches, scones, desserts and of course, your choice of tea, is only \$19 pp. Or choose high tea, with all of the above, plus banger rolls and soup or salad, for \$25. Not into tiny sandwiches? The British Bell Tea Room has a whole menu for your enjoyment. Check out <http://www.britishbelltea.com/> for more info.

DATE: Saturday, August 14, 2010

TIME: 1 pm

PLACE: British Bell Tea Room, Peoples Plaza, Glasgow. To RSVP, contact Maria Sawczuk at 302-893-5118 or [legalady@magpage.com](mailto:legalady@magpage.com)

Please visit our Web site at <http://delaware.us.mensa.org/index.htm> for updates

# Delaware Regional Gathering!



**Fourth Annual Regional Gathering  
Newark Delaware  
September 10-12, 2010**

## Fun and Games with Delaware Mensa Fourth Annual Regional Gathering September 10 to 12, 2010

You like fun, right? You'll play a game once in a while. You don't mind a little good food once in a while.

Then this RG is just what you have been waiting for. We have a new location this year that will let us stretch out and make the most of this weekend.

Speakers, games, death defying stunts,

Food! food! food! Two meals, plus a 24 hour Hospitality room

Enjoy a large games room, 24-hour hospitality,  
and entertainment:

Friday night icebreaker by Rob Salkin; Midnight Magic with Marc Lederman; A discussion of Mind Games, past winners and the 2011 event; Karaoke; Frank Shade, spokesman for Punkin' Chunkin'; Music by Todd Chappelle; An exercise program by Benjamin Sussan

### RG Registration fees:

- ♦ Up to and including August 31: \$60
- ♦ Through the event and at the door: \$70
- ♦ Registrations received by August 15 will be entered in a drawing for \$50 Target gift card!

#### Rooms include:

- ⇒ Free wireless internet
- ⇒ Deluxe Continental Breakfast
- ⇒ Refrigerator, microwave and coffee maker in all rooms
- ⇒ Outdoor pool, fitness center

### NEW LOCATION:

*(Make your room reservation separately—Tell them you're with Delaware Mensa!!!)*

**Howard Johnson Inn and Suites -  
Newark DE**

I-95 and Route 896  
Newark, DE 19713  
302-368-8521

Rooms - \$59.99 / Suites - \$67.99

Make checks payable to: Delaware Mensa. Send registration form and checks to:

Dee Richardson  
3101 Duncan Road  
Wilmington, DE 19808

Or register online at [www.delaware.us.mensa.org/rg10.htm](http://www.delaware.us.mensa.org/rg10.htm) !

## Celebrations

### A Happy Birthday to these Mensans :

| <u>Name</u>       | <u>Birthday</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Carl Moore, Jr    | 8/2             |
| Helen Ohlson      | 8/5             |
| George Majors     | 8/10            |
| Lauren McMillan   | 8/20            |
| Chris Quintanilla | 8/21            |
| Terri Eros        | 8/22            |
| Robert Auer, Jr.  | 8/23            |
| Thomas Keane      | 8/28            |
| David Moak        | 8/29            |

*(And also to those who don't wish to  
have their birthdays published)*

### Congratulations, and a Happy Mensaversary to these members who celebrate their Mensa anniversary this month:

| <u>Name</u>           | <u>Member since:</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Alan Emsley           | 1980 (30 YEARS!!)    |
| Steven Allison        | 1999                 |
| Pamela Lamb           | 1999                 |
| Lawrence Laporte      | 2001                 |
| Walter Crowe          | 2004                 |
| Richard Schneider     | 2005 (5 YEARS!!)     |
| Karen Kinkel          | 2008                 |
| Francis Stevens       | 2008                 |
| Lloyd Teitsworth, Jr. | 2008                 |
| Charles Masland IV    | 2009                 |

And a warm Delaware Mensa welcome to: Walter Koroljow, who moved to Newark from Howell, NJ

## News From National

### Colloquium 2011

Colloquium 2011: "Electronic Gaming and Its Impact on Society," will take place Feb. 18-20 in Austin, Texas. This event will bring together the public and industry experts and researchers, including a keynote panel of veteran game developers. Registration (including three meals) is only \$169 through the end of July! Visit the [Colloquium 2011](#) site for information on the program, speakers, location and online registration.

### National Ombudsman Elected

Congratulations to Dave Cahn who will begin his six-year term on August 1. To those who were not elected, thank you for being willing to serve Mensa. I hope that you will continue to be active members.

### Nominating Committee seeks candidates for AMC

The national Nominating Committee (NomComm) is looking for candidates to run for the elected positions on the American Mensa Committee. If you're interested in running for any of these offices, review American Mensa's Bylaws, sections 3-6 (linked below), and fill out and mail in a Candidate Information Form (CIF). Forms received after the deadline will be discarded.

## EVERY MONTH EVENTS!

Join Delaware Mensa this fall at one of our many fun events. Time to pull out those calendars!

### FIRST TUESDAY Happy Hour/NTN Trivia Night

TIME: 6 to 8 pm

PLACE: Buffalo Wild Wings, 680 South Bay Road (Route 113), **Dover** (across from former Blue Hen Mall). To RSVP, e-mail Leah at [bluepointjive@gmail.com](mailto:bluepointjive@gmail.com).

### SECOND THURSDAY Happy Hour/NTN Trivia Night

TIME: 6 to 8 pm

PLACE: Buffalo Wild Wings, 2062 Limestone Rd, **Wilmington** (near Kirkwood Hwy). To RSVP, e-mail Maria at [legalady@magpage.com](mailto:legalady@magpage.com) or call 302-893-5118.

### THIRD WEDNESDAY Happy Hour/NTN Trivia Night

TIME: 6 to 8 pm

PLACE: Buffalo Wild Wings, Sunset Station Shopping

Center, Route 40, **Bear**. To RSVP, e-mail Maria at [legalady@magpage.com](mailto:legalady@magpage.com) or call 302-893-5118.

### SECOND MONDAY Lunch Bunch

The Delaware Mensa Lunch Bunch will meet from about 11:45 to 1:15 at Purebread Deli in Greenville, north of Wilmington on Rt 52. 302-571-9041. Meet us there for lunch and stimulating conversation.

For further information, contact Dee Richardson, 302-892-2299, [busydeeee@comcast.net](mailto:busydeeee@comcast.net)

### MONTHLY WALKING TOUR

Each month, we'll meet at the first stop, do the walking tour, and then get dinner or a snack, depending on the time and location. Look for an announcement of the time and place. For info, e-mail Maria at [legalady@magpage.com](mailto:legalady@magpage.com) or call 302-893-5118.

## Delaware Mensa Calendar

### *Grab your personal calendar and write down some events!*

|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tues, Aug 4  | 6 to 8 pm, Downstate Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia, at Buffalo Wild Wings, 680 South Bay Rd, Dover. <b>First Tuesday of each month</b> we'll be in Dover. To RSVP, e-mail Leah at <a href="mailto:bluepointjive@gmail.com">bluepointjive@gmail.com</a> .                               |
| Mon, Aug 9   | 11:30—? Second Monday Lunch Bunch –New Location– Purebread Deli in Greenville, north of Wilmington on Rt 52, for lunch and stimulating conversation. Info: Dee Richardson at 302-892-2299                                                                                       |
| Thur, Aug 12 | 6 to 8 pm, Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia Night at Buffalo Wild Wings, 2062 Limestone Rd, Wilmington. <b>Second Thursday of each month</b> . For info or to RSVP, e-mail Maria at <a href="mailto:legalady@magpage.com">legalady@magpage.com</a> or call 302-893-5118.                  |
| Sat, Aug 14  | 1 pm, Afternoon Tea, British Bell Tea Room, 890 Peoples Plaza, Newark . Please RSVP. For info, e-mail Maria at <a href="mailto:legalady@magpage.com">legalady@magpage.com</a> or call 302-893-5118.                                                                             |
| Wed, Aug 18  | 6 to 8 pm, Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia Night at Buffalo Wild Wings, Sunset Station Shopping Center, Route 40, Bear. <b>Third Wednesday of each month</b> . For info or to RSVP, e-mail Maria at <a href="mailto:legalady@magpage.com">legalady@magpage.com</a> or call 302-893-5118. |
| Tues, Sept 7 | 6 to 8 pm, Downstate Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia, at Buffalo Wild Wings, 680 South Bay Rd, Dover. <b>First Tuesday of each month</b> we'll be in Dover. To RSVP, e-mail Leah at <a href="mailto:bluepointjive@gmail.com">bluepointjive@gmail.com</a> .                               |

*Your event here!!*

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This newsletter is sent to members of Delaware Mensa each month (more or less), but is also going out to prospective members who have qualified for membership. If you are one of those prospective members, allow me to add another invitation to you to join Mensa. The organization is both big and small, you can enjoy it at whatever level suits you.

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| Sun       | Mon                          | Tue                                      | Wed                                   | Thu                                   | Fri | Sat                    |
|-----------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----|------------------------|
| 1         | 2                            | 3                                        | 4<br>Happy Hour/<br>NTN Trivia Night  | 5                                     | 6   | 7                      |
| 8         | 9<br>New Moon<br>Lunch Bunch | 10                                       | 11                                    | 12<br>Happy Hour/<br>NTN Trivia Night | 13  | 14<br>Afternoon<br>Tea |
| 15        | 16                           | 17                                       | 18<br>Happy Hour/<br>NTN Trivia Night | 19                                    | 20  | 21                     |
| 22        | 23                           | 24<br>Full Moon<br>DelaMensa<br>Deadline | 25                                    | 26                                    | 27  | 28                     |
| 29        | 30                           | 31                                       |                                       |                                       |     |                        |
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