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CULTUREQUEST 2010

CultureQuest 2010, the annual Mensa contest of cultural knowledge, will be early this year, April 11. Do you know the answers to any of these questions from a past edition? If so, we need you on our team!

1. In Caesar's *Galic Wars*, Julius Caesar begins: "*Gallia est omnis divisa in partes tres*" - what are the three parts?
2. Who was the illustrator for Henry Gray's *Anatomy of the Human Body*?
3. List the Christian angelic hierarchy (10 pts)
4. Jayne Mansfield attended SMU, UT, and UCLA. What two subjects did she study?
5. What organization did Rebecca Jane O'Neal and TJ Lundeen belong to? What did they create for that organization?
6. What classic composer was nicknamed the Red Priest?

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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 March 13 at 2:00 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, March 13, 2010

TIME: 2:00 pm

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

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MARCH MENSA DEADLINES

- Want to be on the Delaware Mensa team for **Culture-Quest®** this year? If so, you need to contact Maria, registration closes on Wednesday, March 31.
- Planning to attend **Mind Games®** or the **Annual Gathering**? Take advantage of the AG's \$90 registration rate before it goes up on April 1; register online at www.ag.us.mensa.org. The Mind Games registration rate is also \$90; please note there will be no on-site registration, so register online at www.mindgames.us.mensa.org before Friday, April 2.
- Finally, March is also the last month of American Mensa's fiscal year, and all annual memberships expire on the 31st. Renew to keep your membership active, and earn your group earns points for members renewing before March 31, so **renew your membership** today at www.us.mensa.org/renew!

But wait! There's more! Should you or anyone else you know wish to pit themselves against the newly launched online Mensa Home Test, the introductory fee is only \$13 through the end of March. That's \$5 off the usual price. Featuring the same questions, instructions and scoring as the popular printed test, the online version supplies your test results instantly after completion. *Just a reminder: the Mensa Home Test is, more or less, a practice test for the Mensa Admission Test, but it does not qualify anyone for Mensa membership.* Get more information at www.us.mensa.org/mht.

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

Marc My Words

by Marc Lederman, Region 2 RVC

Our region's next RG is Central New Jersey's Snowball RG, March 5-7 at the Hilton Woodbridge in Iselin, New Jersey. This is the longest running and one of the best attended RGs in the country. You can find the latest information at their website, cnj.us.mensa.org/snowball.html.

That same weekend, the AMC will be meeting in San Diego. You can read the agenda on the AML website. The March meeting is the meeting where the budget for the next fiscal year (April 1, 2010 - March 31, 2011) is approved. In addition, the agenda will include discussions on a governance task force and a dues rate structure, and motions for a new spending approval policy, RVC replacement selection, and National Nominating Committee policy changes.

The Mensa Education & Research Foundation is pleased to announce Colloquium 2011:

"Electronic Gaming and Its Impact on Society." This weekend-long event will take place Feb. 18, 2011, through Feb. 20, 2011, in Austin, Texas. The early-bird registration rate (including three meals) is only \$169 through the end of July. Pack your games, invite your friends -- both M and non-M -- and make your plans now. Visit www.colloquium.us.mensa.org <<http://www.colloquium.us.mensa.org>> for more information and to register. I will be chairing the Colloquium, and I hope to see several members

from our region at the event.

As a condition of Mensa membership, all members have to permit their names and addresses to be published in Mensa listings. Address is defined as city and state of residence. However, local group officers who are part of the annual list of officers supplied to the National Office are required to have their full address published to the membership. The reason for the policy is to allow the members to more easily contact officers. Unfortunately, we have lost a few officers over the years because of this policy. If any of you have opinions on this policy, one way or the other, please let me know.

Have you renewed your Mensa membership? The easiest ways to renew are through the Mensa website at www.us.mensa.org/renew or call 888-294-8035 ext. 199 during regular business hours.



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Celebrations

As of January 31, we had 176 members.

A Happy Birthday to these Mensans :

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
Sonia Combs	3/4
Frances Joseph	3/4
Susan Irwin	3/10
Alan Bleier	3/12
Paul Craven	3/12
Harry Albert	3/14
Ann Warner	3/19
Ronald Snow	3/26

*(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>
Albert Daniels	1980 (25 YEARS!!)
Christian Hillson	1994
Ronald Baldwin	1995 (15 YEARS!!)
Patrick McMahon	2002
David Brenner	2005 (5 YEARS!!)
Carrie Upreti	2005
Paul Stitik II	2006
Jason Romeo	2008
Paul Bechly	2009
David Sechler	2009
Ronald Snow	2009

And a warm Delaware Mensa Welcome Back to reinstating members:
Kathryn Canavan of Wilmington Jeffrey "Thom" Hawkins of Bear

EVERY MONTH EVENTS!

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

You've probably seen NTN Trivia at a favorite bar or restaurant. It's a nationwide trivia network, with rounds of games played 24 hours a day. If you've never played before, it's highly addictive! Come out and see what it's all about, and challenge your fellow Mensans.

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.

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 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 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 Wil-

mington on Rt 52. 302-426-9866 . Meet us there for lunch and stimulating conversation.

For further information, contact Dee Richardson, 302-892-2299, busydeeee@comcast.net

CULTUREQUEST (Continued from page 1)

7. The poet e. e. cummings wrote most of his poetry in the evening after dinner. What was his day job?
8. According to Mattel, what is Barbie's full name (three words) and where did she grow up?
9. What are the names of the following phobias, according to Lucy Van Pelt (of *Peanuts*):
Fear of responsibility?
Fear of cats?
Fear of staircases?
Fear of the ocean?
Fear of crossing bridges?
Fear of everything?
10. What is the single word meaning "Rain that falls from the clouds but never reaches the ground?"
11. What is the single word meaning "The art and science of fermentation?"
12. Who invented Dungeons and Dragons (two names)?
13. On D-Day, U.S. troops landed on Omaha and Utah Beaches. Name the three beaches where the Brits and Canadians landed.

Delaware Mensa Calendar

Grab your personal calendar and write down some events!

Tues, Mar 2	6 to 8 pm, Downstate Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia, at Buffalo Wild Wings, 680 South Bay Rd, Dover. First Tuesday of each month we'll be in Dover. To RSVP, e-mail Leah at bluepointjive@gmail.com.
Mon, Mar 8	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, Mar 11	6 to 8 pm, Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia Night at Buffalo Wild Wings, 2062 Limestone Rd, Wilmington. Second Thursday of each month . For info or to RSVP, e-mail Maria at legalady@magpage.com or call 302-893-5118.
Sat, Mar 13	2:00 pm, Afternoon Tea, British Bell Tea Room, 890 Peoples Plaza, Newark . Please RSVP. For info, e-mail Maria at legalady@magpage.com or call 302-893-5118.
Wed, Mar 17	6 to 8 pm, Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia Night at Buffalo Wild Wings, Sunset Station Shopping Center, Route 40, Bear. Third Wednesday of each month . For info or to RSVP, e-mail Maria at legalady@magpage.com or call 302-893-5118.
Tues, Apr 6	6 to 8 pm, Downstate Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia, at Buffalo Wild Wings, 680 South Bay Rd, Dover. First Tuesday of each month we'll be in Dover. To RSVP, e-mail Leah at bluepointjive@gmail.com.

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.

March 2010

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2 Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia Night	3	4	5	6
7	8 Lunch Bunch	9	10	11 Happy Hour/ NTN Trivia Night	12	13 Afternoon Tea
14 Daylight Savings Time Begins	15 New Moon	16	17 St Patrick's Day NTN Trivia Night	18	19	20 First Day of Spring
21	22	23	24 DelaMensa Deadline	25	26	27
28	29 Full Moon	30	31			
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